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ANAESTHETIST WITH PASSION FOR DOCTORS' WELFARE NAMED AS ROLE MODEL FOR WOMEN

AMA WOMAN IN MEDICINE AWARD AMA NATIONAL CONFERENCE 2017 #amanatcon

Dr Genevieve Goulding, an anaesthetist with a strong social conscience and a passion for doctors' mental health and welfare, has been named the AMA Woman in Medicine for 2017.

AMA President, Dr Michael Gannon, made the announcement at the AMA National Conference 2017 in Melbourne today.

The Woman in Medicine Award is presented to a woman who has made a major contribution to the medical profession by showing ongoing commitment to quality care, or through her contribution to medical research, public health projects or improving the availability and accessibility of medical education and medical training for women.

"Dr Goulding has made an impressive contribution to the medical profession throughout her career, including during her term as President of the Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA)," Dr Gannon said.

"As ANZCA's fourth successive female President, Dr Goulding used her term to focus on professionalism, workforce, advocacy, and strengthening ANZCA and Faculty of Pain Medicine (FPM) services for Fellows and trainees.

"Her colleagues describe her as determined, respected, and trusted - a listener, a confidante, and an innovator - and a quiet achiever.

"She is a founding member of the Welfare of Anaesthetists Group, which was formed 22 years ago to raise awareness of the many personal and professional issues that can adversely affect the physical and emotional wellbeing of anaesthetists at all stages of their careers.

"Dr Goulding continues to effect change through advocacy with her work on the ANZCA Council and on the Queensland Medical Board, her numerous positions with the Australian Society of Anaesthetists (ASA), and her current work with the Anaesthesia Clinical Committee of the Federal Government's Medicare Benefits Schedule (MBS) Review.

"She has raised the profile and practice of safe and quality anaesthesia, she is committed to ensuring patients – no matter their background or position – can rely on and benefit from our health system, and she has created for her peers a continually improving and safe environment where their mental health and welfare is recognised as a priority.

"With her hard work and diligence, she is a role model for all in the medical profession."

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