

AMWA NEWS

AMWA Fellowships for 2023

Abbie Miller, MWC / 2022-2023 Chair, Member Awards Recognition Committee

AMWA Fellowships are awarded to members in recognition of their significant contributions to the goals and activities of AMWA. The 2023 Fellows are leaders within AMWA with distinguished service at chapter and national levels.

Barbara O. Lightfoot

Barbara O. Lightfoot has been an AMWA member since 2009 and has served in many positions in the Indiana Chapter, including president-elect, president, secretary, treasurer, education committee co-chair, and program chair. In 2019, she received the Indiana Chapter Leadership Award.



At the national level, Barbara has served as a chapter delegate to the AMWA Board of Directors (BOD), a member of the National Chapter Advisory Task Group, and a chapter representative on the national Chapter Advisory Council. She has also given presentations at local chapter educational events and Indiana/Ohio Valley AMWA Conferences.

Currently, Barbara is a manager in Science Communication and Regulatory at Eli Lilly and Company.

Anita Misra-Press

Anita Misra-Press, PhD, attended her first AMWA meeting in 2010 and has since been an active and engaged member. Anita served in many positions in the Northwest Chapter before it dissolved, including president, president-elect, treasurer, and chapter delegate. She also served on and led several chapter workgroups.



At the national level, Anita is an active member of the AMWA Constitution and Bylaws Committee. She has led roundtables and educational sessions for the AMWA

Conferences and contributed to the *AMWA Journal* as a peer reviewer. Despite the loss of her chapter, Anita has remained active and has continued to seek out meaningful contributions.

Anita has worked as a freelancer for 13 years.

Shawn Watson

Shawn Watson, PharmD, PhD, BCPS, RPh, has been an AMWA member since 2012. At the chapter level, Shawn served as president, immediate past president, and chapter delegate of the New England Chapter. He also served on the Chapter Nominating Committee.



Shawn has served on the board as a director at large since 2019. As a director at large, he has served on the Diversity and Inclusion Task Force and as the liaison for the Engage Committee. He has assisted with virtual conferences and publications on salary surveys. Shawn has also served on the National Nominating Committee and the National Educational Committee. He has authored or contributed to multiple *AMWA Journal* articles and has led roundtables and sessions at the chapter and national conference levels.

Shawn is currently a senior director of Clinical Development, program team lead, and interim head of Medical Writing at Recursion Pharmaceuticals.

Please join AMWA in congratulating Barbara, Anita, and Shawn as they receive their awards this fall at the Medical Writing & Communication Conference in Baltimore, MD.

The Member Awards Recognition Committee members were Abbie Miller, MWC (chair), Loretta Bohn, ELS (BOD liaison), Elizabeth Brown, MS, PMP, Joanne McAndrews, PhD, Christina Barnes, MSN, RN, CPNP-PC, Jerm Day-Storms, PhD, MWC, and Susan Aiello, DVM, ELS. Diane Noland served as staff liaison, and Susan Krug, MS, CAE, served as ex officio.