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WOMEN'S HEALTH ADVOCATE DR. ROBERTA KLINE EARNS ACCOLADES FOR PRESENTING EPIGENETICS ROLE IN ENDOMETRIOSIS SYMPOSIUM

March 3, 2024 - Dr. Roberta Kline (former OBGYN and Functional Genomics Specialist) delivered a field-based presentation about Genetics and Endometriosis at the 15th Annual Patient Symposium of the Endometriosis Foundation of America (also known as EndoFound). Her clinical review titled "Unlocking the Mystery of Your Genes: The Role of Genomics and Epigenetics in Endometriosis" offered a special and unique insight in the role of functional genetic expression testing for patients and clinicians alike.

As this year's appointed director of clinical education of the WOMEN'S HEALTH COLLABORATIVE (an educational branch of the AngioFoundation 501c3), Dr. Kline's professional work in the study of women's disorders continues beyond her tenure as an OBGYN - pursuing a profound career as a medical educator on the national stage. "I believe the future of diagnostics lies in genomics and epigenetics, not just for endometriosis, but for many diseases we don't have simple tests for," Dr. Kline starts. "Through the WHC, we've been getting more into the community and conventional medical system to educate people. They don't need to be experts in all these different modalities, but they need to be aware of it and come to it with an open mind. I've been in both worlds and understand the mindset, training, and realities of conventional practice, and I can tell you this science is not experimental anymore. It's real, and it is changing how we approach health and disease. And healthcare needs to change, too."



"For a decade and a half, EndoFound's annual patient symposium has consistently stood as a cornerstone for educating patients and the public about endometriosis. As one of the pioneering organizations to initiate such an event, the patient symposium brings together individuals impacted by endometriosis, offering them crucial tools, information, and a sense of community to improve their lives," said Carolyn Mayer, EndoFound's Senior Program Manager. "This year, we've



arranged over 50 speakers and organized a vibrant networking reception to conclude day one, fostering a sense of community." Mayer added that, as part of EndoFound's ongoing mission to educate the public and patients, there are plans to reach out to schools regarding the expanded ENPOWR™ Project (Endometriosis: Promoting Outreach and Wide Recognition). This initiative introduces a series of videos and an e-course tailored for nationwide education in grades 9-12 about endometriosis and menstrual health.

In March of 2023, Dr. Kline confirmed her research partnership with Dr. Robert Bard and the IHRC (the Integrative Health Research Center on 60th Street in NYC) where she helps to blueprint a series of pilot studies on some of the most critical health issues including Dense Breast Tissue, endometrial inflammation, Urinary Incontinence and other Pelvic Disorders. They are scheduled to conduct pilot studies to monitor the efficacy of non-invasive therapies including pulsed bioenergy frequency and photobiomodulation technology. "We are extremely proud to have our own Dr. Kline be chosen to present at this year's Endometriosis Foundation annual conference," states Dr. Bard. "Her expertise in the complex science of gene expression and her extensive knowledge in women's health sciences has added so much to our educational and exploratory research initiatives... and having her present her findings to the medical and patient communities will significantly add new dimension to this educational event."

The 15th Annual Endometriosis Foundation of America Patient Symposium, "Understand Your Endo, Take Control of Your Life!" is a 2-day event from March 2-3 at the 4W43 Building - 4 West 43rd St. in New York City. This public event brings together a community of strength, resilience, and shared knowledge at its Patient Symposium. This weekend-long event will feature more than 30 speakers—doctors, surgeons, researchers, therapists, and activists, among many others— who will provide the tools and information that individuals with endometriosis need to lead their best lives while managing this challenging condition.

