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## **2017 WAWH Women's Health Leader Awardees Announced**

*Women of Courage, Character and Commitment to be Honored at the 8<sup>th</sup> WI Women's Health Policy Summit*

**Madison** – The Wisconsin Alliance for Women's Health (WAWH) is proud to announce the recipients of the 2017 WAWH Women's Health Leader Awards. The three honorees will be recognized at our 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Wisconsin Women's Health Policy Summit on Tuesday, March 14<sup>th</sup> at the Monona Terrace in Madison. Event information can be found at <http://www.supportwomenshealth.org/wisconsin-womens-health-advocacy-summit.html>.



The 2017 **Woman of Courage** Award will be presented to Nicole Safar, Director of Government Relations and Legal Advocacy for Planned Parenthood of WI. She was nominated for her commitment to collaborative advocacy, and her fierce, unwavering commitment to justice. Her nomination included the following testimony:

*"Nicole does not self-promote or seek the spotlight, rather has a deep commitment to lifting the work and leadership of others. She is the quiet force behind the protection and advancement of reproductive rights in Wisconsin."*



The 2017 **Woman of Character** Award will be presented to Adrienne White, Women's Health Clinical Nurse Specialist at UW University Health Services. She was nominated to recognize her years of services improving the health of women in her care and for her volunteer work in West Africa to establish a health care center run by and for young women in the area. Her nomination included the following testimony:

*"From the time she was little, Adrienne has never wavered in her commitment to service and health care equity."*



The 2017 **Woman of Commitment** Award will be presented to Dalvery Blackwell, Executive Director and Co-Founder of the African American Breastfeeding Network (AABN). She was nominated in recognition of her long career promoting the incredible benefits of breastfeeding among women of color. Her nomination included the following testimony:

*"With her commitment to normalize breastfeeding, Dalvery is ultimately improving the health outcomes for both babies and moms throughout the community."*

To learn more about these amazing women's health leaders, link to: <http://www.supportwomenshealth.org/wawh-leader-awards.html/>.

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