

# MIRANDA KLASSEN



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July 22, 1976

**PLACE OF BIRTH:**  
Sacramento, California

**CITIZENSHIP:**  
United States

**FAMILY:**  
Married Bryce W. Klassen, RN  
(2004) ; 1 son (2008)

**EDUCATION:**  
California State University,  
Sacramento, BS Biology, 2000

## PROFILE

Miranda Klassen is the Executive Director of the Amniotic Fluid Embolism Foundation, a non-profit organization she founded in 2008 after surviving an AFE during the birth of her son.

Miranda is a co-investigator for the Amniotic Fluid Embolism Registry and Biorepository and has authored several publications on AFE and support after a severe maternal event. She is a frequent lecturer and serves on multiple boards and maternal health initiatives. She lives in San Diego, CA with her husband Bryce, a critical care nurse, and their son, Van.

## PUBLICATIONS

**Amniotic fluid embolism syndrome: analysis of the Unites States International Registry.** IA Stafford, GA Dildy, Klassen, M., et al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology MFM, 2020

**Differences in clinical presentation and outcomes between women with typical versus atypical amniotic fluid embolism.** Stafford, I., Clark, S., Klassen, M., et al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Volume 221, Issue 1, S223-S224 (331)

**Amniotic fluid embolism: principles of early clinical management.** Pacheco, Luis D, Klassen, M., et. al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology.

**The prevalence of placenta previa in pregnancies complicated by amniotic fluid embolism.** Berra, Alexandra L. et al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Volume 220, Issue 1, S101 - S102 (130)

**Diagnostic precision of proposed criteria for research reporting of amniotic fluid embolism.** Stafford, Irene et al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Volume 218, Issue 1, S122 - S123 (180)

**The misdiagnosis of amniotic fluid embolism.** Stafford, Irene et al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Volume 218, Issue 1, S122 (179)

**The risk of amniotic fluid embolism reoccurrence in subsequent pregnancy.** Stafford, Irene et al. American Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology, Volume 218, Issue 1, S121 (177) Amirhossein Moaddab, Miranda Klassen, Steven L. Clark, Gary A. Dildy

**Reproductive decisions after the diagnosis of amniotic fluid embolism.** European Journal of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Reproductive Biology 211 (2017) 33–36 G. Dildy, A. Moaddab, M. Klassen.

**Reproductive decision after the diagnosis of amniotic fluid embolism [abstract].** In: Society Maternal Fetal Medicine 36th Annual Pregnancy Meeting. Feb 1-5, Atlanta, GA AJOG; 2016. (812).

**Patient, Family, Staff Support After Severe Maternal Event, Safety Bundle Council on Patient Safety** in Women's Healthcare, 2015

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## PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

1995  
Member, Alpha Chi Omega Alumni Fraternal Organization

## AWARDS & HONORS

2016  
American Heroes- Special Edition People Magazine

2012  
40 under 40, 2012 Recipient, San Diego Metro Magazine

2012, 2016, 2022  
Women of the Year, Finalist, San Diego Magazine

## REFERENCES

**Irene Stafford**, MD, UT Health Science Center Houston

**Roberto Romero**, MD, PRB NIH, Wayne State School of Medicine

**Elliot Main**, MD, California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative

**Julie Arafteh**, RN, Stanford University

**Christian Pettker**, MD, Yale School of Medicine

**Amy De Simone**, AFE Foundation Board Chair

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## EXECUTIVE BOARD & ADVISORY POSITIONS

2021-Present  
Co-Author, AIM Bundle- Support After Severe Maternal Event

2020-Present  
Reviewer California Pregnancy-Associated Mortality Review (CA-PAMR) Stanford, California

2018-Present  
National Partnership to Eliminate Preventable Maternal Mortality, CDC Atlanta, GA

2018- Present  
MoMMA's Voices (Co-Founder), a Merck Funded Coalition of Maternal Health Advocates

2018-Present  
Obstetric Life Support Expert Panel, University of Connecticut

2017-Present  
Institute for Perinatal Quality Improvement, Baltimore, MD

2016-2021  
Council for Patient Safety in Women's Health, a part of American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG), Washington D.C

2012-Present  
California Maternal Quality Care Collaborative (CMQCC), Stanford Health, Palo Alto, CA

2011-2015  
ScrippsCare a division of Scripps Health, San Diego, CA

2009-2016  
Community Advisory Board, Scripps Memorial Hospital, Encinitas, CA

2005-2009  
Home Start Inc., San Diego, CA

## 200+ SPEAKING ENGAGEMENTS (GRAND ROUNDS, SIMULATIONS, MOST NOTABLE)

Association of Women's Health, Obstetric and Neonatal Nurses

American College of Osteopathic Obstetricians and Gynecologists

Society of Maternal Fetal Medicine

Society of OBGYN Hospitalists

Maternal Health Coordinating Committee (MHCC) of the Eunice Kennedy Shriver National Institute of Child Health and Human Development (NICHD)

Perinatology Research Branch

Institute of Perinatal Quality of Improvement