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Kathy Kelley is the founder and CEO of HysterSisters. As a patient educator, Kathy is often invited to speak to surgeons and patients about the needs of the hysterectomy patient. She has also appeared before the FDA advisory council as an advocate for the hysterectomy and surgical menopause patient. She has written and compiled What 350,000 Women Know About Hysterectomy, Our Hysterectomy Stories, and Mister HysterSisters Guide. As part of her mission to educate women about gynecologic illnesses and surgeries, she has partnered with physicians across the country to develop HysterSisters.com into the leading website for hysterectomy support and information. You can visit it at www.HysterSisters.com. Email Kathy at info@hystersisters.com

In 1994, **Linda Parkinson-Hardman** had a hysterectomy. She was supposed to be reasonably intelligent, but two years later realised how little she'd really understood about her body and the changes surgery would cause. A Master's degree research project provided the perfect opportunity to find out more about the information that women really needed and the rest, as they say, is history. The project set out to demonstrate how a new invention called 'the web' could be used to disseminate information to women; that 'project' evolved into The Hysterectomy Association and has been providing information and support to millions of women in the UK and beyond since 1997. You can visit it at Hysterectomyassociation.org.uk and find out more about Linda on LinkedIn at www.linkedin.com/in/lindaph.

Dr. Lori Warren, founder of Pass the Pearls, is a gynecologist and a partner with Women First of Louisville. As a Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgeon, Dr. Warren has worked to train other surgeons in less invasive surgical procedures. She is an Assistant Clinical Professor at the University of Louisville, Dept. of Obstetrics and Gynecology. Dr. Warren is the Co-director for the AAGL Minimally Invasive Gynecologic Surgery Fellowship with the University of Louisville. She is passionately devoted to reducing the large number of unnecessary abdominal "open" hysterectomies performed in the United States. Dr. Warren's goal is to inform women about their surgical options and to help women gain access to the best and least invasive procedures. Visit the website at Passthepearls.org.

