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Cordially invites you to a Special Program

Recognizing the Contributions of Nurses

to Biomedical Health Care

Professional Nursing in the 21st Century Challenges & Opportunities

Keynote Speaker



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Date: Tuesday, April 28, 2009 **Program:** 6:00 – 7:00 p.m. **Reception:** 7:00 – 8:00 p.m.

Place: Abby Aldrich Rockefeller Hall The Rockefeller University York Avenue at 66th Street

From Florence Nightingale to the genomic era, nurses have provided most of the patient-centered care in hospitals, homes, and community-based settings. Today, however, a convergence of factors is driving a shortage of nurses in the U.S. and around the globe. By 2020, best estimates anticipate a shortfall of one million nurses in the U.S.— one-third of the projected demand.

Please join us on Tuesday, April 28, for a program devoted to recognizing the vital role that nursing plays in healthcare Dr. **Marilyn A. DeLuca** will address the issues that challenge nursing, the trends and policies that underpin the shortage, and the need for multi-sector commitments that serve both the profession and the public.

Marilyn DeLuca, a consultant in healthcare and philanthropy, is an assistant professor at the New York University School of Medicine. She previously served as executive director of the Jonas Center for Nursing Excellence. Dr. DeLuca's professional interests include healthcare delivery, policy, access, and global health. She holds a Ph.D. in public administration, with a concentration in comparative health systems and reform politics, from NYU's Wagner School of Public Service, as well as master's degrees in public administration and nursing from NYU and a bachelor of science in nursing from Hunter College.

The evening's host will be Dr. **Barry Coller**, vice president for medical affairs at The Rockefeller University and physician-in-chief of The Rockefeller University Hospital, the nation's only private hospital devoted exclusively to clinical investigation. Research nurses at the Hospital are experienced RNs, rigorously trained on site in the highly specialized practices of clinical research nursing. Since the Hospital's founding in 1910, research nurses have played an essential role in studies aimed at improving the understanding and treatment of cancer, heart disease, diabetes, infectious diseases, addictive disorders, and a wide range of other conditions.

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