

WOMEN'S HEALTH AND DEVELOPMENT

A Global Perspective

The Seventh Annual *Women & Science* Spring Luncheon Program

Thursday, May 13, 2004
Noon to 2 p.m.

The Rockefeller University
Caspary Auditorium

Since the University's founding more than one hundred years ago, Rockefeller has been committed to research on diseases affecting the global community. Rockefeller scientists are currently working to better understand and pioneer new treatments for diseases such as HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis, hepatitis C, malaria, SARS, other infectious and parasitic diseases, mental illness, and diabetes.



Today, perhaps more than ever before, it is important to hold public forums to address the challenges facing people in the developing world. At the spring luncheon, Dr. Mamphela Ramphele, Managing Director of the World Bank, President Paul Nurse, and a panel of Rockefeller scientists will discuss women's health and development, highlighting the crucial role of medical research in extending and improving the lives of all people.

In her role at the World Bank, Dr. Ramphele is responsible for the institution's human development activities including education, health, nutrition, population, and social protection. The first African to hold this position, Dr. Ramphele is a medical doctor and a former Vice-Chancellor of the University of Cape Town. She holds numerous degrees, including a Ph.D. in Social Anthropology. As a student, she played a key role in the Black Consciousness Movement in South Africa. As a result of her strenuous anti-apartheid activities, she was banished by the South African government to an impoverished township from 1977 to 1984.

For her professional commitment, service to the community, and her devotion to the health and social welfare of the poor people, she has received numerous prestigious national and international awards and eighteen honorary doctorates and the Medal of Distinction from Barnard College. She has written many books and articles on education, health, and social development for which she has received numerous prizes and awards.

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