

Older Women, Health, and Human Rights: International Perspectives

May 21, 2003, Indianapolis, IN - The aging of the world's population will affect both the developed and developing world. The number of Americans over the age of 65 will double in the next 50 years and life expectancy worldwide is expected to increase from 60 to 66. This program explored the myriad of health and human rights issues confronting older women, including international perspectives. Gender inequalities, gender-based discrimination, and global transmigration of younger family members will have a negative effect on older women, as well as children and other family members whose lives are intertwined with the circumstances of older women.

Welcome:

Barbara A. Hawkins, Professor and Director, Indiana University Center of Aging and Aged

Keynote Speaker:

Nirmala Pandit, M.D., Managing Trustee, Center for Empowerment, Pune, India

Respondents:

Holly Stocking, Professor of Journalism, Indiana University

Catherine Siffin, Consultant, Indiana University Center of Aging and Aged

Panel Discussion:

Margaret Adamek, Professor, School of Social Work, Indiana University

Peg Sutton, Professor, School of Education, Indiana University

Brian Winchester, Director, Indiana University Center for the Study of Global Change

Greta Yoder, School of Social Work, Indiana University

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In Attendance:

Staff, faculty and students of Indiana University