The Seventh Annual

Janet L. Norwood Award
For Outstanding Achievement by a Woman in the Statistical Sciences

The University of Alabama at Birmingham
School of Public Health
Department of Biostatistics
Section on Statistical Genetics
Janet L. Norwood, Ph.D.

The Janet L. Norwood Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Woman in the Statistical Sciences was established in 2002 not only to honor Dr. Norwood’s achievements, but also to recognize the contribution of all women to the statistical sciences.

Dr. Norwood obtained her B.A. from Douglass College at Rutgers University, and her M.A. and Ph.D. from the Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy at Tufts University, as well as an honorary LL.D. degree from each of the following: Florida International University, Carnegie Mellon University, and Harvard University.

Dr. Norwood was the first woman commissioner of the US Bureau of Labor Statistics and is Past-President of the American Statistical Association. She was the Presidential appointment to the Chair of the Advisory Council on Unemployment Compensation from 1993-96. From 1979 through 1991, Dr. Norwood was the U.S. Commissioner of Labor Statistics, responsible for the Bureau of Labor Statistics and its work in compilation, publication, and interpretation of statistics on employment and unemployment, prices, compensation, industrial relations, productivity, and economic growth. She testified monthly before the Joint Economic Committee and frequently before other Congressional Committees. In recognition of her public service, Dr. Norwood received Distinguished rank in the Senior Executive Service from President Reagan.
You are cordially invited to attend

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Statistical Issues and Challenges in Analyzing High-throughput “Omics” Data

Xihong Lin, Ph.D.
Harvard School of Public Health’s Professor of Biostatistics

Wednesday, September 17, 2008
Ceremony at 9:30 AM
Reynolds-Kirschbaum Recital Hall – Main Level

Reception at 11:00 AM
Abroms Patrons Lounge – Lower Level

Alys Stephens Center - 1200 10th Ave S

Please R.S.V.P. at (205) 975-9193 by September 12
Dr. Xihong Lin, Professor of Biostatistics at Harvard’s School of Public Health, is the recipient of the Seventh Annual Janet L. Norwood Award for Outstanding Achievement by a Woman in the Statistical Sciences. She will accept the award at the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Dr. Lin received her BS in Applied Mathematics from Tsinghua University, MS in Statistics from the University of Iowa and PhD in Biostatistics from the University of Washington. She began her career in academe at the University of Michigan in 1995 where she progressed steadily through the ranks to that of Professor of Biostatistics, a position which she currently occupies at Harvard’s School of Public Health. Her research areas include statistical learning methods for high-dimensional data, dimension reduction, variable selection, nonparametric & semiparametric regression models, measurement error, mixed (frailty) models, estimating equations, and missing data. She is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association (ASA), the Institute of Mathematical Statistics and an elected member of the International Statistical Institute. She is recipient of the COPSS President’s Award from the Committee of Presidents of Statistical Societies as well as a National Cancer Institute MERIT Award recipient. Dr. Lin has been a member of the editorial boards of *Biometrika, Biometrics, Statistica Sinica, and the Journal of the American Statistical Association*.

*The UAB School of Public Health has initiated a fund-raising effort to endow this award in order to honor Dr. Norwood and her influence on women in the statistical sciences in perpetuity. For more information about this effort, please contact Dr. David Allison at (205) 975-9169.*