

## Nancy L. Geller, Ph.D.



Dr. Nancy Geller, Director of the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute's (NHLBI) Office of Biostatistics Research, is the recipient of the Eighth 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. Geller received her BS from the City College of New York, MS at the Case Institute of Technology, and PhD from Case Western Reserve University, all in Mathematics. She began her career in academe at the University of Rochester in 1970, followed by faculty positions at the University of Pennsylvania, Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, and the Medical College of Pennsylvania. Dr. Geller's dynamic leadership of NHLBI's Biostatistics Office has expanded the expertise from clinical trials to include basic science and genetic studies. Her research areas include interests in clinical trial methodology, especially in issues of clinical trial design, monitoring and multiplicity (i.e. endpoints and treatment comparisons). She is a Fellow of the American Statistical Association (ASA) as well as the 2010 President-Elect, and has been the president of the International Society for Clinical Biostatistics. She is a recipient of the American Cancer Society Scholar Award. Dr. Geller is a long-standing associate editor of *Biometrics*, and an editorial board member of *Clinical Trials*.



*The UAB School of Public Health has initiated a fund-raising effort to endow this award in honor of 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 [Dallison@uab.edu](mailto:Dallison@uab.edu).*

The Eighth Annual

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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.



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*Director, NHLBI Office of Biostatistics Research*

Wednesday, September 16, 2009

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

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