

# NLM Traveling Exhibitions

## PR Information



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The National Library of Medicine produced *Rise, Serve, Lead! America's Women Physicians*, guest curated by public historian Ashley Bowen, PhD (editor of *Perspectives on History*).

The traveling banner exhibition and companion website highlight the lives and achievements of women physicians in the U.S. who have made a difference through their medical practice and research, work as activists, service as administrators, and mentorship to the next generation of doctors. *Rise, Serve, Lead!* includes a selection of the women featured in the 2003 NLM exhibition *Changing the Face of Medicine: Celebrating America's Women Physicians*, encouraging today's audiences to connect with the work of these pioneers.

[The companion website](#) showcases the biographies of more than 300 women doctors who have made their mark on the profession. The online exhibition also includes an [education component](#) with a K-12 lesson plan about first woman doctor Elisabeth Blackwell, and a [digital gallery](#) that features a curated selection of fully digitized items from the historical collections of the NLM, which are also available in their entirety in [NLM Digital Collections](#).

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**The National Library of Medicine produced this exhibition and companion website.**

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Dr. Elizabeth Blackwell (1821-1910) was the first woman to earn an MD degree from an American medical school.

**Courtesy National Library of Medicine**



Swearing in ceremony for Antonia C. Novello (born 1944) as Surgeon General of the United States, March 9, 1990.

**Courtesy Antonia C. Novello, MD, MPH, DrPH**



Dr. Matilda Arabella Evans (1872-1935) was the first African American woman licensed to practice medicine in South Carolina. Dr. Evans founded the first Black hospital in the city of Columbia.

**Courtesy South Caroliniana Library, University of South Carolina, Columbia**