

Women's Policy, Inc.

in cooperation with

Reps. Ginny Brown-Waite and Hilda L. Solis,
Co-Chairs, Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues

and

Reps. Ileana Ros-Lehtinen and Lois Capps,
Vice Chairs, Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues

and

Reps. Shelley Moore Capito and Tammy Baldwin,
Co-Chairs, Women's Health Task Force, Congressional Caucus for Women's Issues

held a breakfast briefing:

**Cultural Competency: A Critical Component to Address
Racial and Ethnic Health Disparities for Women**

Thursday, July 14, 2005

8:30-10:00 a.m.

B-339/340 Rayburn House Office Building

Wanda Jones, Dr.P.H., Deputy Assistant Secretary for Health (Women's Health), described programs of the Office on Women's Health to promote cultural competency in women's health.

Guadalupe Pacheco, M.S.W., Special Assistant to the Director, Office of Minority Health, discussed the Office of Minority Health's national culturally and linguistically appropriate standards (CLAS) in health care and its capacity building and outreach programs to promote cultural competency in health care.

Elena Rios, M.D., President and CEO, National Hispanic Medical Association, discussed her organization's efforts to implement best practices in cultural competency training for physicians.

The briefing was [webcast](#) by the Kaiser Family Foundation.