

Laneta J. Dorflinger '75

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Dr. Dorflinger attended Lafayette College, graduating Phi Beta Kappa in 1975 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Chemistry. In 1981, after completing her graduate studies, Dr. Dorflinger obtained a Ph.D. in Physiology from Yale University. She continued her training as a post-doctoral fellow in the Laboratory of Toxicology at the Harvard University School of Public Health. In 1983, Dr. Dorflinger was selected as a Science, Engineering and Diplomacy Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science and spent two years on detail to the Office of Population of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) in Washington, D.C.



In 1985, she joined the Research Division of the Office of Population of USAID as a Biomedical Scientist. During her tenure at USAID, Dr. Dorflinger managed several international programs involved in the development, introduction and evaluation of new and improved contraceptive technologies, and traveled extensively in the developing world.

In 1991, Dr. Dorflinger joined Family Health International where she is currently Vice President of Clinical Research. Prior to assuming her position as Vice President, she held positions as the Director of Regulatory Affairs and Quality Assurance and the Director of Clinical Trials.

Dr. Dorflinger is a member of the Endocrine Society. She has received numerous honors, awards, and fellowships, most notably the USAID Science and Technology in Development Award (1991). At Lafayette, she was the recipient of the J. Hunt Wilson Prize in Analytical Chemistry, the William W. Eddy Memorial Scholarship and the Society for Applied Spectroscopy Award. She has authored and co-authored numerous articles related to contraception and reproductive physiology. She has been involved with two committees of the Institute of Medicine/National Academy of Sciences (Committee on Oral Contraceptives and Breast Cancer and the Committee on Antiprogestins: Assessing the Science), and has served on the Steering Committee of the World Health Organization Special Program of Research, Development and Research Training in Human Reproduction. Dr. Dorflinger is currently a member of the Board of Trustees of Lafayette College and chairs the Educational Policy Committee.

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