Monday, April 9th, 2:00 - 3:30PM
Claudia Nance Rollins Building, 7th floor foyer, Emory University

Join us for a coffee chat with this amazing leader.

Over the course of more than five decades, Dr. Afaf I. Meleis has demonstrated a profound passion for pushing the boundaries of nursing science, cultivating the next generation of healthcare leaders and improving women’s health. As the vibrant and forward thinking Dean of the University of Pennsylvania’s School of Nursing (2002-2014), she was known as the “Energizer Dean,” a nickname coined in her 2009 profile in the School in the Pennsylvania Gazette, which conveyed her can do dedicated attitude and approach to her life’s work.

A leading expert on global health and immigrant and women’s health, Dr. Meleis has dedicated her career to ensuring vulnerable populations are given a voice, particularly women who are burdened by societal inequities, multiplicity of roles, differential compensation and rewards and the gender divide. She used this knowledge to redefine women’s work and contributions and to develop Transitions Theory, which is translated globally in policy, research and evidence-based practice.

A reflection of the international impact of Dr. Meleis’ work is evident in her world-wide (in over 40 countries) consultations and invited keynotes. Her leadership in the International Council on Women’s Health Issues played a central role in inspiring scholarship in women’s health and in bringing together world leaders to form partnerships to improve the lives of women.

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