

## **Maine's Own Jeanne M. Lambrew, Ph.D., an Important Part of Obama Healthcare Team**

Jeanne Lambrew, PhD, formerly of Portland, has recently been named Deputy Director of the Office of Health Reform at the White House, second only to DHHS Secretary-designate Tom Daschle. Jeanne is the daughter of long-time MMA member and former Chief of Cardiology at Maine Medical Center Costas "Gus" Lambrew, M.D.

Jeanne is a Senior Fellow at the Center for American Progress and Associate Professor of Public Affairs at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas. Previously, she was an Associate Professor at the Department of Health Policy, George Washington University School of Public Health. From 1997-2001, she served in the Clinton White House. She is a former program associate director for health at the Office of Management and Budget and senior health analyst at the National Economic Council.

Jeanne earned a Master's degree and a Ph.D. in Health Policy at the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill and received her undergraduate degree at Amherst College.

Jeanne and former Senate Majority Leader Daschle co-wrote a book a year ago entitled, *Critical, What We Can Do About the Health Care Crisis* that details the current case for reform. She is widely considered to be the second most important player on the Obama team when it comes to health care, second only to Daschle himself.