

## **DHHS Announces New Office of Health Reform, Directed by Jeanne Lambrew**

HHS Secretary Kathleen Sebelius recently announced the establishment of the HHS Office of Health Reform, which will work closely with the White House Office of Health Reform created by President Obama last month. The focus of this office will be to coordinate and support efforts aimed at ensuring the passage of health care reform legislation in Congress. The office will be directed by Maine's own Jeanne Lambrew, PhD, who served in the Clinton administration and most recently was a senior fellow at the Center for American Progress. Jeanne is the daughter of Costas "Gus" Lambrew, M.D., retired cardiologist from Portland.

Last year, Dr. Jeanne Lambrew co-authored with former Senator Tom Daschle the book entitled, *Critical, What We Can Do About The Health-Care Crisis*.

Until accepting a position in the Obama administration, Dr. Lambrew was an associate professor at the Lyndon B. Johnson School of Public Affairs at the University of Texas. She also was a senior fellow at the Center for American Progress. Previously, she worked on health policy at the White House (Clinton administration) as the program associate director for health at the Office of Management and Budget and as the senior health analyst at the National Economic Council.