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## Basrur 'woman of distinction'

Dr. Sheela Basrur will be honoured next week with a 2004 YWCA Toronto Women of Distinction Award.

The Western alumna (BSc'78) is the recipient for "building good public health through women's health."

As Medical Officer of Health for Toronto last year, Basrur received considerable public recognition for her leadership during the devastating SARS crisis.

Basrur already has a long history of accomplishments in the field of health and has been at the forefront of developing women's health programs, which give women more control over their bodies and their lives.



**Dr. Sheela Basrur**

Basrur is among seven award winners who will be honoured at the gala ceremony May 20 at the Metro Toronto Convention Centre.

Recently appointed the province's Chief Medical Officer of Health and Assistant Deputy Minister of the Public Health Division, Basrur will be developing more effective health promotion strategies and programs, while maintaining a commitment to the health of women and their children.