

*Amelie Ramirez recognized as 'Woman of Vision' by Hispanic Business magazine*

Dr. Amelie G. Ramirez, Director of the Institute for Health Promotion Research (IHPR) at The University of Texas Health Science Center, was recognized as one of several “Women of Vision” in the April 2009 issue of *Hispanic Business* magazine.



The magazine annually honors the significant achievements made by Hispanic women in America by writing about their achievements in the magazine.

Dr. Ramirez was recognized for her three decades of outreach, research, speaking engagements, and student training to try to eliminate health disparities.

“This is wonderful recognition, and hopefully those who aspire to a health career will be inspired to stay in school, volunteer, and get their advanced degrees,” said Dr. Ramirez. “Success is possible—you just have to work hard at it. Don’t give up on your dreams.”

Dr. Ramirez, a tireless advocate for Latino health, launched the [IHPR](#) at the Health Science Center in 2006 specifically to tackle health disparities among South Texans. Dr. Ramirez also directs two national research networks on Latino health issues, heads several other research programs, authors many scientific journal articles, and speaks at conferences across the nation.

Other women recognized by the magazine were Lily Eskelsen, vice president of the National Education Association; Marion Luna Brem, CEO and founder of the Love Chrysler automobile dealership; and Ramona Romero, corporate counsel for logistics and energy at DuPont. Frances Garcia, the inspector general of the U.S. Government Accountability Office, was named the magazine’s “Woman of the Year.”

To view the magazine’s story, visit

[http://www.hispanicbusiness.com/news/2009/4/7/amelie\\_ramirez\\_public\\_health\\_pioneer.htm](http://www.hispanicbusiness.com/news/2009/4/7/amelie_ramirez_public_health_pioneer.htm).

To find out more about Dr. Ramirez and her work, visit her Institute for Health Promotion Research at <http://ihpr.uthscsa.edu>.