Although social work and public health share historical roots, their paths have diverged until recently. Today’s complex health issues require the expertise of both professions. This year’s Public Health Week symposium and luncheon explored the intersections among public health, social services, health care and policy. Moderated by Dr. Bailey, Dean and Professor of the Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research at Bryn Mawr College, the panelists discussed the importance of a multidisciplinary perspective on health; implications of social work and public health principles for health and well-being; and the need for cross-disciplinary collaborations.

The Jefferson School of Population Health and the Bryn Mawr College of Graduate School of Social Work and Social Research (GSSWSR) have partnered to offer dual degrees in social work (Master of Social Service – MSS) and public health (Master of Public Health – MPH). For more information about this exciting dual degree program, visit: http://www.jefferson.edu/population_health/academic_programs/dual_degrees/mss-mph-dual-degree-program.html

Panelists from left to right: Christina Miller, MSS; Jennifer Campbell, PhD; Cindy Sousa, PhD, MSW, MPH; Joanne Fisher, MSS, and Darlyne Bailey, PhD, LISW