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Weekly Public Affairs Program

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1. **Laura M. Bogart, PhD,** Senior Behavioral Scientist at the RAND Corporation, a nonprofit research organization that develops solutions to public policy challenges

Dr. Bogart directed a five-week obesity prevention program for seventh grade students that helped obese students lose an average of nine pounds over the following two-year period. She outlined the methods that were most effective, which included school-wide environmental changes and encouragement to eat healthy school cafeteria foods, along with a student-led education and marketing campaign.

Issues covered:
Childhood Obesity
Education
Parenting

2. Susan S. Silbey, PhD, Leon and Anne Goldberg Professor of Humanities, Professor of Sociology and Anthropology, Professor of Behavioral and Policy Sciences, Sloan School of Management at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology

The number of women enrolling in engineering school has increased steadily over the past four decades, but Dr. Silbey said one-third of women graduates soon leave the profession to pursue other careers. She said the reasons behind this problem are primarily related to the culture of engineering itself. She offered suggestions for women who are entering the profession, and explained why an engineering career should be such an attractive option for women.

Issues covered:
Women's Issues
Discrimination
Career

3. Dong Zhao, PhD, Assistant Professor of Construction Management, Michigan State University

Prof. Zhao led a study that found that found that more than 50 percent of potential energy savings from energy efficient homes can be lost if users don't know how to use the buildings properly. Dr Zhao said this is a concern both for individual homeowners as well as for commercial property owners.

<u>Issues covered:</u> Energy Consumer Matters

