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Muslim Women Leadership in Healthcare and Nation Building

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Muslim women have made significant contributions to leadership in healthcare across the world. They have excelled as doctors, nurses, administrators, and researchers, breaking barriers and serving as role models for future generations. Their leadership in healthcare is a testament to their dedication, resilience, and commitment to improving public health and medical services. We bring together 4 prominent women who are leaders in healthcare to share with us their experience and insights into the future.

Muslim women, as exemplified by the female companions of Rasulullah (SAW), made significant contributions to various fields of human endeavor, including education, medicine, nursing, politics, economics, and nation-building. The mother of Believers, Aisha (RA), Ummu Salim, Ummu Atiya, and Umm Salit (RA) were all known to provide nursing care in battles during the lifetime of Rasulullah (SAW). Throughout history, Muslim women have made giant strides in healthcare. Women are homemakers and nation builders as they play the important role of childbearing and child upbringing within the family units; these family units make up communities and societies. In modern times where society tries to re-assign gender roles and responsibilities, women in Islam have very high status and they are well respected because of the roles they play in nurturing and caring for society.

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