

# Mellette, Susan J., papers

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## **Biographical / Historical**

Dr. Susan J. Mellette was born on June 4, 1922 in Raleigh, North Carolina and died September 14, 2000. She received her A.B. degree from Merideth College in 1942 followed by her M.D. degree from the University of Cincinnati College of Medicine in 1947. Dr. Mellette's efforts for cancer patients went far beyond just physical issues and help lead to a revolutionary change in cancer patient care nationwide. She was widely regarded as an expert in cancer rehabilitation.

Dr. Mellette joined the MCV faculty in 1955. From 1960-1966 she served as director of MCV's Division of Cancer Studies. She also served on the MCV Admissions Committee for 30 years. Eventually Dr. Mellette would become professor of internal medicine and rehabilitation medicine followed by professor emeritus in 1992. She would retire in 1995.

Dr. Mellette was also involved in various other activities. She served as president of the American Association for Cancer Education . She was involved in various peer review or policy-making committees for the National Cancer Institute. She also ran her own private practice and continued to care for patients up to 1992.

## **Scope and Contents**

The collection includes correspondence, professional papers, reports, files and published materials dating from 1942-1993. The bulk of the collection dates from the 1960s through the 1980s and consists mostly of correspondence and professional papers. The collection focuses on Dr. Mellette's many professional pursuits within the field of oncology.

## **Keywords**

Medical Oncology -- United States.

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## **Arrangement**

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