

Sara Josephine Baker

1873 – 1945



Physician

Suffragist, supporting women's right to vote. Humanitarian activist. Important contributions to public health. Worked in New York's slums, mainly on infant mortality and children's health. Inventor of infant formula. First woman with PhD (1917) in public health. First woman to be a professional representative to the League of Nations. President of the American Medical Women's Association.

Lesbian

Known as "Dr. Joe," she wore masculine-tailored suits and joked that colleagues forgot that she was a woman.



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