

**Leila Nimatallah**

Leila Nimatallah has been advocating for poverty alleviation for over 20 years. Since 2015 she has been with Catholic Relief Services in their Government Relations office leading on global health, social services, education and Africa issues. In 2019, Leila began spearheading CRS' efforts to integrate early childhood development into U.S. foreign aid programs serving young children and their families. Leila graduated from Boston College and Villanova Law and is a member of the Maryland, Pennsylvania and DC Bars. Leila lives in Middletown, Maryland with her husband and two teenage sons.