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## MSPA stands in solidarity with Black female physicians and against racism

The Medical Student Pride Alliance (MSPA) National Leadership Team stands in solidarity with Dr. Dennar and the Tulane Med-Peds program and Dr. Khoury and the students of the Kaiser Permanente Bernard J. Tyson School of Medicine. At MSPA, we acknowledge that institutional racism is widespread and destructive to our medical community. We are keenly aware of the ways in which anti-Black racism and misogyny combine to disproportionately affect Black women physicians in our workforce. We stand with our Black women colleagues at Tulane, Kaiser, and other institutions and health systems who unduly experience a culture of white supremacy that time and time again undercuts their accomplishments, disciplines them for their advocacy, and dismisses their humanity.

We are devastated to see how these Black women leaders are being pushed out of academic medicine and we know our field is infinitely worse for these losses. Both Dr. Dennar and Dr. Khoury have shown their courage and commitment to speak truth to power, and we urge our medical community to act in solidarity with these two physician-leaders by doing the same. In this spirit, we support the <u>statement from S.L.A.M. demanding transparency regarding the suspension of Dr. Dennar from the Tulane Administration</u>. We stand with Dr. Dennar, Dr. Khoury, and Black women in medicine everywhere.

## Sincerely,

The Medical Student Pride Alliance National Leadership Team



## **Relevant Links for Further Information:**

Summary of Recent Events at Kaiser Summary of Events at Tulane Dr. Princess Dennar's Court Filing Dr. Dennar's GoFundMe to assist with legal costs S.L.A.M. et al Demand for Transparency from Tulane Administration Letter of Response from Dr. Dunnar Letter from at Tulane PGY-3 NAACP Legal Defense Fund