PHILIP O. OZUAH, M.D., PH.D.
In November 2019, Dr. Philip O. Ozuah was named Chief Executive Officer of Montefiore Medicine, the umbrella organization for Montefiore Health System (MHS) and Albert Einstein College of Medicine. He completed his residency at Montefiore following his medical education in Nigeria. Dr. Ozuah is a nationally recognized pediatrician, researcher, teacher and author. His leadership roles have also included chief operating officer at Montefiore, professor and university chair of pediatrics at Einstein, and physician-in-chief of the Children’s Hospital at Montefiore. As CEO, Dr. Ozuah will lead Montefiore Medicine’s next phase of growth and evolution as a global healthcare leader.

LYNNE HOLDEN, M.D.
Dr. Lynne Holden is a professor of Emergency Medicine (EM) at Montefiore and site director of the EM residency program. She received the United Hospital Gala 2019 Distinguished Community Service Award for outstanding leadership as co-founder and president of the non-profit, Mentoring in Medicine (MIM). To date, she has helped over 500 culturally and economically diverse students enter the medical field through MIM.

SUZETTE OLU BUSOLA OYEKU, M.D., M.P.H.
Dr. Oyeku, associate professor of pediatrics at Einstein and chief of the division of Academic General Pediatrics at the Children’s Hospital at Montefiore has expertise in health services research, implementation science and the use of quality improvement methods to disseminate effective care strategies and improve care and patient outcomes for children with chronic diseases such as sickle cell disease. Dr. Oyeku also serves as medical director for the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) funded Sickle Cell Disease Treatment Demonstration Program National Coordinating Center at the National Institute for Children’s Health Quality (NICHQ).

NERYS C. BENFIELD, M.D., M.P.H.
In October 2019, Dr. Benfield was appointed Einstein’s first senior associate dean for diversity and inclusion. Dr. Benfield has done extensive work globally in the field of obstetrics and gynecology. With the Human Resources for Health Program she has trained OB/Gyn professionals in Rwanda, and worked in the Democratic Republic of Congo to improve family planning systems, clinical and research training, health technologies including IT and ultrasound for low-resource settings. Dr. Benfield serves in multiple roles at Einstein and Montefiore which include associate professor, Department of Obstetrics & Gynecology and Women’s Health, and director and founder of the social obstetrics and gynecology program.

MELVYN STONE, M.D.
A surgeon cum electrical engineer, Dr. Stone is associate director of trauma services and surgical critical care at Jacobi and serves as Einstein’s surgery clerkship site director. He is senior academic advisor in the office of diversity enhancement and course director/instructor for Advanced Trauma Life Support and for Advanced Trauma Operative Management. His teaching excellence has earned him induction into Einstein’s Leo M. Davidoff Society.

CONGRATULATIONS to all the recipients and those who received awards in the categories of commitment to diversity in education, research and practice. For more information on diversity at Einstein, visit einstein.yu.edu/diversity

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