



# Message to Our Community Regarding Racism

UWH of North Carolina and Catawba Women's Center recognize that as providers of women's healthcare services we have a responsibility to provide excellent quality care for all of our patients. We also have a responsibility to condemn racism and discrimination in any form.

As a healthcare organization, we consider institutional racism a public health and women's health crisis that yields devastating effects. The legacy of discrimination in our country contributes to ongoing disparities in health and healthcare that harm—and prematurely end—the lives of Black women and other women of color. The traumatic effects of this are devastating for individuals, families, and their communities.

We will work alongside our colleagues in women's health to engage in conversations and actions needed to bring about much-needed change and equity. UWH of North Carolina and Catawba Women's Center are committed to delivering the best care to our patients and their families. We support the recent statement of solidarity from the [American College of Obstetrics and Gynecology](#) and the Statement on Racism from the [American Board of Obstetrics and Gynecology](#).