

ABC'S DR. WALTER M. BOOKER, SR. MEMORIAL SYMPOSIUM:

TWO SYSTEMS, ONE MISSION: ADVANCING EQUITY IN HEART AND KIDNEY HEALTH

Saturday, November 8, 2025
7:30 – 9:00PM CT

Hilton New Orleans Riverside
Two Poydras Street | New Orleans, LA, 70130
Chart Ballroom



Co-Chairs:



Melissa Burroughs, MD
Treasurer, ABC Board of Directors
Cardiovascular Disease Specialist
Wellstar Health System



Onyedika Ilonze, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor of Clinical Medicine
Indiana University School of Medicine



7:30 – 7:35PM Welcome and Opening Remarks

7:35 – 8:05 PM

Keynote Presentation:

Dr. Elijah B. Saunders Memorial Lecture
CKM as One: Bridging Systems, Breaking Disparities

Tiffany Powell-Wiley, MD, MPH
Senior Investigator
Social Determinants of Obesity and Cardiovascular Risk
National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute (NHLBI)



8:05 – 8:15 PM

Obesity and Heart Failure: A Heart Under Pressure

Amanda Vest, MBBS, MPH
Section Head, Heart Failure and Transplantation Cardiology
The Tomsich Family Department of Cardiovascular Medicine
Miller Family Heart, Vascular & Thoracic Institute
Cleveland Clinic



8:15 – 8:25PM

Hidden Strain: Amyloidosis at the Heart-Kidney Crossroads

Albert J. Hicks, III, MD, MPH
Assistant Professor of Medicine
Director, Heart Transplant
Section Chief, Advanced Heart Failure
University of Maryland SOM



8:25 – 8:50PM Panel (All speakers)

8:50 – 9:00PM Closing Remarks

9:00 – 10:00PM Dessert Reception

CLICK TO REGISTER

Association of Black Cardiologists Accreditation Statement

Association of Black Cardiologists, Inc. (ABC) is accredited by the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Association of Black Cardiologists Credit Designation Statement

Association of Black Cardiologists, Inc. designates this live activity for a maximum of 1.5 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit™. Physicians should only claim credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

This program is supported, in part, by **BridgeBio**