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Dear MMS Friends, Physician Spouses/Partners, Physicians, Residents, and Medical Students,

As the president of the Massachusetts Medical Society Alliance, I invite you to join the Alliance this year. If we have learned nothing else in 2020, it is our connection to one another that is so important. As physician families, we have an acute awareness of the difficulties COVID-19 has put upon us. The Alliance's mission is to support physician families in multiple ways.

Presently, we are conducting all our meetings on ZOOM. We align our mission for the year with the Massachusetts Medical Society's mission. And so, along with Dr. David Rosman, president of MMS, we also will keep our focus on systemic racism and its impact on disparities of health.

I hope you will join us for our first quarterly meeting, which will be held via ZOOM, on September 30th at 11:00AM. We will be conducting a discussion of the book *White Fragility*, by Robin DiAngelo, PhD. If you would like to attend, send your contact information to [alliance@mms.org](mailto:alliance@mms.org).

As we look forward to a brighter future, we extend an invitation to you to join the MMS Alliance. Through your membership you have an opportunity to connect with other physician families, participate on committees focused on current public health, and medical care issues; and explore educational opportunities and resources available through MMS.

Stay safe, and please join us.

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President