

Black History Month/Dr. Alyx Porter/PKG

	<p><b>(INTRO)</b></p> <p>Black History Month is a month for all people to celebrate and learn about diverse and important contributions of Black Americans to American society and culture, as well as to reflect on the ongoing fight against racism, inequity and discrimination.</p> <p>The Mayo Clinic News Network is profiling several Mayo Clinic Physicians who are focused every day on achieving health equity through their work.</p> <p>Meet Dr. Alex Porter, a neuro-oncologist, working to help shape the next generation of physicians.</p>
	<p><b>(TRACK)</b></p> <p>Dr. Alyx Porter is a neuro-oncologist for Mayo Clinic. She is part of an interdisciplinary team that treats the most complex and serious cancers of the brain and nervous system. Dr. Porter says she is also one of only three black women practicing neuro-oncology in the United States.</p>
Font: Alyx Porter, M.D. Neurology Mayo Clinic	<p><b>(SOT) 3:18-3:45</b></p> <p><i>if you look at the latest census data for African Americans, we're at around 13% of the US population, but only 5% of the physician workforce. Hispanic or Latino populations measuring around 18 to 20%. And yet only 8% of the workforce. And so there's certain groups that are underrepresented compared to what the demographic looks like.</i></p>
	<p><b>(TRACK)</b></p> <p>And research has shown that under-representation in race and ethnicity among the physician workforce leads to healthcare disparities and less optimal patient health outcomes. Mayo Clinic is one of a growing number of health care leaders aimed at closing the gap with a commitment to diversity, equity and inclusion.</p>
	<p><b>(SOT) 5:22 – 5:40</b></p> <p><i>Mayo Clinic is devoted to eradicating racism and promoting health equity, and in 2020, they earmarked 100 million as a commitment against racism, and so I see the investment time and time again and ensuring that we're part of the change that we all wish to see.</i></p>
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	Dr. Porter leads a nonprofit organization she founded called ElevateMed, along with her husband Dr. Gregory Umphrey, also a Mayo Clinic physician.
	<b>(TRACK)</b> ElevateMed’s vision, to inspire and support future generations of physicians from historically underrepresented backgrounds, with scholarships, mentorship, leadership development and financial wellness education.

	<b>(SOT) 2:28 – 2:38</b> It is personal. This was a gap that we both had in our medical school and early career matriculation. And so really, we’ve aimed to fill that gap with what we wish we’d had.
	<b>(TRACK)</b> Ewoma Ogbaudu (Ay-who-ma Owe-ba-do) is one of the med students pursuing his goal of becoming a doctor with the support of ElevateMed. A first-generation immigrant from Nigeria, scholarship recipient, and currently attending medical school at the Mayo Clinic Alyx School of Medicine. His motivation stems from his own upbringing in an underserved community.
	<b>(SOT) 1:18 – 1:30</b> That really sparked something in me to say hey, there’s so much more that I can do impact people from communities like where I’m from and really make a difference in their health and their health outcomes
	<b>(TRACK)</b> Making a difference. It’s a commitment inspired by the greatest leaders of our past, present and future.
	<b>(SOT) 4:41 – 5:04</b> I’m hoping that we’ll start to see health disparities eradicated and we’ll stop seeing differences in survival just based on your race and ethnicity. That’s the big dream. That’s the big goal. But we have so much work to do before we get there.
	<b>(TRACK)</b> For the Mayo Clinic News Network, I’m Marty Velasco Hames