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Dr. Moro Salifu is a tenured Professor of Medicine and Chairman of the Department of Medicine at SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, Brooklyn. He is also the Edwin C. and Anne K. Weiskopf Endowed Chair in Nephrology and Transplantation. He has served as fellowship program director since 2003, division chief of nephrology, and director of the kidney transplant program at SUNY Downstate since 2008. He has trained and mentored many residents and fellows, across different institutions in New York and in several States.

Board-certified in internal medicine and nephrology, Dr. Salifu is known for his outstanding research, and clinical and administrative skills. He is highly respected within the Downstate community as well as in the national nephrology community. He is a productive investigator whose research interests include vascular biology, chronic kidney disease progression, and kidney transplant outcomes. He is the recipient of numerous grants including being the principal investigator of the multi-million-dollar award from the National Institutes of Health

to advance the work of the Brooklyn Health Disparities Center where he promotes health disparities research in all fields and fosters collaborations between stakeholders that will result in research addressing health disparities. BHDC is a collaborative effort including SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University, the Brooklyn Borough Presidents Office, and the Arthur Ashe Institute for Urban Health. Additionally, he serves as a principal investigator for SUNY Downstate's NIH funded endowment Translational Program of Health Disparities Research Training (TRANSPORT) designed to support a range of research training initiatives from undergraduate pipeline programs, faculty development, and recruitment under BHDC.

During the COVID-19 Pandemic, Dr. Salifu was Chair of the Faculty Redeployment Workgroup to ensure adequate staffing to address the rapidly expanding patient volume at SUNY Downstate Health Sciences University. He was also a member of the Telehealth Workgroup that rapidly implemented telehealth services in mid-March 2020.

Dr. Salifu is the recipient of numerous awards, including best educator of the year, Best Doctor US News and World Report, Castle Connelly Top Doctor, Worldwide Registry of Executives and Professionals, Kings of Kings County, just to name a few. He has published extensively in peer-reviewed journals nationally and internationally. A Master of the American College of Physicians, he is also a member and journal reviewer for nephrology and transplant societies and has served on many local and national professional committees. He is the past president of the New York Society of Nephrology for the 2013-14 academic year.