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Biography

Dr. Sharonne N. Hayes is Professor of Cardiovascular Medicine and founded and maintains an active clinical practice in the [Women's Heart Clinic](#) at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN. She was appointed as Mayo Clinic's first Director of [Diversity and Inclusion](#) in 2010. With leadership she sets strategy for D & I activities across Mayo Clinic and develops solutions for equity in patient care and the workforce. Dr. Hayes previously directed Mayo Clinic's Office of Women's Health, has led efforts to optimize women's health clinical practice and research activities. She is a founder of Time's Up Healthcare and has developed programs to enhance the professional and personal development and mentorship of women and minority physicians and to assess and mitigate unconscious bias in healthcare.

Dr. Hayes has served on the Board of Directors for WomenHeart: The National Coalition for Women with Heart Disease. With WomenHeart she coordinates the Science and Leadership Symposium for Women with Heart Disease held annually at Mayo Clinic since 2002, aimed at preparing heart disease survivors to be advocates and educators for other women. Her commitment to women's heart health has been recognized by the 2002 Wenger Award for Health Care, an invitation from First Lady Laura Bush to speak at the White House for the 1st National Wear Red Day in 2004, the Woman's Day Magazine "Red Dress Award" and the American Heart Association's Women's Mentorship award. Dr. Hayes research interests include sex and gender-based cardiology, cardiovascular conditions primarily affecting women, spontaneous coronary artery dissection (SCAD), fibromuscular dysplasia, health equity, participation of women and minorities in medical research, healthcare workforce equity, and the utility and optimal role of social media in clinical practice, medical research and health education. She is a nationally recognized speaker and educator, has been a guest speaker at the White House and featured on the Today Show, Good Morning America, CNN, Talk of the Nation, and the Dr. Oz Show, among others.

Dr. Hayes is a Fellow of the American College of Cardiology and American Heart Association and a member of the Association of Black Cardiologists. She received her medical degree from Northwestern University in Chicago and pursued fellowships in Internal Medicine, Cardiovascular Research, and Cardiovascular Diseases at Mayo Clinic in Rochester, MN.