AAHCM Statement Against Violence and Discrimination

Violence comes in many forms. Silence allows it to continue. We cannot stay silent. The American Academy for Home Care Medicine (AAHCM) stands united against violence and discrimination targeting any person. We are dedicated to improving the health of our patients and communities, striving for equity in health care and all areas of society. We believe in equality and justice for all people regardless of race, ethnicity, age, gender, disability, immigration status, marital and/or familial status, religion, socioeconomic status, and/or sexual orientation. Violence and discrimination simply cannot be tolerated.

Actions by any group — especially law enforcement — that allow violence and discrimination to take place must be stopped. While we recognize that many law enforcement professionals are dedicated to treating all people with respect and dignity, we believe the system needs dramatic reform to eliminate violence, especially the violence against our Black and Brown communities. Police brutality and health equity are not just political issues. They are societal, American, and human issues.

AAHCM is dedicated to listening, educating ourselves and promoting diversity in our membership and our leadership, and to reaching all patients who need access to high-quality care. We thank our colleagues who address these inequities every day in the care of vulnerable communities, even while sometimes being subject to personal or professional injustice. You are the spirit of AAHCM.

Our sustained actions to promote equity is what matters most. AAHCM supports the peaceful Black Lives Matter movement.