

MassNAELA Statement – To our colleagues, friends, members, and their clients:

MassNAELA has always made it our mission to help, advocate and fight for vulnerable, underserved populations such as seniors, veterans and the disabled, which include many people of color. We share the outrage over the death of George Floyd and so many other people who have lost their lives because of systemic racism. We recognize the raw pain felt due to these acts of brutality and we refuse to accept it. It inspires us to do what we can to bring about real, permanent change.

We stand in solidarity with the Black community and everyone across the country who is peacefully protesting our long-standing history of racial injustice. We agree it is time to end the silence and to not only speak out against the racial inequities that exist but also take action.

To our colleagues, friends and members' clients in the Black community, we see you and we vow to listen, understand and be a powerful, supportive and enduring partner in pursuing equal and fair treatment for all populations. To that end, MassNAELA will more tightly align our advocacy with what this country should be doing to put a stop to all healthcare, educational and societal inequities and disparities.

Sincerely,

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