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Health Forward's position on the Supreme Court's affirmative action ruling

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Health Forward Foundation shares the concerns of many Americans following the Supreme Court's decision to strike down affirmative action in higher education.

The ramifications of this ruling are significant — not only in higher education, but across many sectors that have benefitted from diverse identities and perspectives. Closest to our heart is the impact this decision will have on economic advancement for people of color, particularly across our health ecosystem, and for patients of color who have been proven to experience better outcomes when they receive care from people who look like them.

The fallout anticipated from this decision underscores the importance of our work and that of our partners who tirelessly pursue equity and justice for people without equitable access to health care, desirable health outcomes, and economic opportunity. With resolve, our shared efforts are now more important than ever as communities of color face sustained headwinds from a continued pattern of systemic disenfranchisement.

We will continue monitoring the situation and deliberate on the ruling's impact with our partners to ensure we're doing all we can to build inclusive, powerful, and healthy communities.