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Neuro-oncologist Dr. Na Tosha N. Gatson

to speak at Talladega College Alpha Chi/Honors Convocation



Talladega, AL - Dr. Na Tosha N. Gatson, director of the Neuro-Oncology Division at the Geisinger Neurosciences Institute, will be the keynote speaker at Talladega College's Alpha Chi/Honors Convocation on Thursday, April 12, 2018, at 10:00 a.m. in DeForest Chapel on the College campus.

Dr. Gatson, who developed an integrated Ommaya/lumbar puncture clinic for brain tumor patients, is the Principle Investigator on six brain tumor research initiatives. She co-directs the multidisciplinary brain tumor board and leads three regional neuro-oncology clinics.

She is a dedicated patient advocate who is helping to establish a system-wide cancer survivorship clinic at Geisinger. Dr. Gatson co-founded the institution's Black Outreach and Leadership Development (BOLD), which is an Employee Resource Group with a mission to increase recruitment, retention, and promotion of diverse talents within the Geisinger Hospital system. She also devotes time to resident and medical student education and mentorship.

The Indiana native completed her undergraduate studies at Indiana University and completed a combined dual doctorate degree as part of the Medical Scientist Training Program at The Ohio State University (OSU) College of Medicine. She is the author of *Critical Mediators of Multiple Sclerosis Disease Suppression: Sex, Pregnancy, and Estrogen Responsive Genes*. The Congressional Black Caucus named her an inaugural "40 Under 40 Leaders in Healthcare."

About Talladega College

The oldest private Historically Black College in Alabama, Talladega College was founded in 1867 by two former slaves, William Savery and Thomas Tarrant. Talladega College is the home of the renowned Hale Woodruff Amistad Murals, which received rave reviews from *The New York Times* during a three year, eight-museum tour. For more information, visit www.talladega.edu.