Achieving Gender Equity in Physician Compensation + Career Advancement

It is important to recognize the progress that has been made to ensure gender diversity in the physician workforce. However, despite this progress, gender inequities have contributed to the disproportionately low number of women achieving academic advancement and serving in leadership positions.

(P) = Female, (M) = Male

**Pipeline Stats**
- 34% of active physicians (F)
- 46% of physicians-in-training (F)
- 50%+ of medical school students (F) (and have been for many years)

**Leadership in Medicine**
- 38% of medical school faculty (F)
- 21% of full professors of medicine (F)
- 15% of Dept. Chairs (F)
- 16% of Deans of medical schools (F)

**Compensation Inequity**
- Females are paid 16% less than their male counterparts in primary care ($197k vs. $229k)
- Females are paid 37% less than males in subspecialties of medicine ($251k vs. $345k)
- 57.1% (F) versus 33.7% (M) academic physicians are paid less than $200,000.

**Me Too movement for Physicians (F)**
- 51.3% of physicians (F) reported discrimination vs. 31.2% (M)
- 30.4% of physicians (F) have filed sexual harassment charge vs. 4.2% (M)
- 59% of females who filed harassment charges perceived negative effect on their professional self-confidence, 47% reported that it negatively affected their career advancement
- 69.6% of physicians (F) report gender bias vs. 21.8% (M)
- On 3:1 scale, females more likely to experience disrespectful or punitive actions than males
- Females more likely to be described as judgemental, rude or unfriendly by patients in online reviews

**Parenthood**
- Only 28.9% of physician contracts provide maternity coverage
- $10k lost income while out for maternity leave

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