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## **Morehouse School of Medicine Names Onwuanyi Chief of Cardiology**

**Expert Cardiologist to Lead Innovation in Heart Healthcare**

**ATLANTA – December 12, 2014** – Anekwe E. Onwuanyi, M.D. has been named chief of cardiology in department of internal medicine at the Morehouse School of Medicine. Onwuanyi is currently professor of medicine in the department of internal medicine and also serves as medical director of the heart failure program at Grady Memorial Hospital. As chief of cardiology, Onwuanyi will be responsible for the day-to-day clinical, teaching and research operations of the division.

“Cardiovascular disease is silent killer, more lethal in the Southeast. Dr. Onwuanyi has been and outstanding leader and innovator in the department of medicine and we welcome him to this new role,” explains Richard Snyder, M.D., chair of Morehouse School of Medicine’s department of medicine. “He is also an exemplary clinician and educator who’s work in this area will ultimately save lives.”

Onwuanyi is a cardiology consultant for several Atlanta metropolitan hospitals and well-published peer review journal author. In 2002, after serving at Columbia University and Mont Sinai School of Medicine, he came to Morehouse School of Medicine as the associate chief of cardiology. Currently, Onwuanyi research is focused on cardiovascular health effects and strategies to eliminate disparities in health outcomes especially in heart failure. He has served as principal investigator on several clinical research projects including NIH/NHLBI supported research in the area of hypertension, congestive heart failure and atherosclerosis.

Onwuanyi graduated from the College of Medicine, University of Lagos, Nigeria with honors. He completed internal medicine residency and cardiology fellowship training at the College of Physician and Surgeons, Columbia University at Harlem Hospital Center in New York, NY. He is a fellow of the American College of Cardiology, American Heart Association, American College of Physicians and American Society of Hypertension. He has served on the editorial boards of international journals and on the board of directors of the Association of Black Cardiologists, Inc.

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primary care physicians, training of underrepresented minority doctors and placement of doctors practicing in underserved communities. MSM faculty and alumni are noted for excellence in teaching, research and public policy, as well as exceptional patient care.

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