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**Biographical Sketch**

O. N. Ray Bignall II, MD, FAAP, FASN is the Chief Diversity and Health Equity Officer at Nationwide Children's Hospital in Columbus, Ohio. He also serves as Director of Kidney Health Advocacy and Community Engagement for the Division of Nephrology and Hypertension, and an Associate Professor of Pediatrics at The Ohio State University College of Medicine. A graduate of Howard University and Meharry Medical College, Dr. Bignall completed his general pediatrics residency, clinical fellowship in nephrology, and NIH post-doctoral research fellowship at Cincinnati Children's Hospital Medical Center.

As a physician-advocate, Dr. Bignall's work addresses the social determinants of child health, kidney health, and transplantation through community-based scholarship, engagement, and advocacy. He has served as a member of The White House Health Equity Roundtable Series on Access to Care; serves as the Inaugural Chair of the American Society of Nephrology's Health Care Justice Committee; and is a member of the Council on Medical Legislation for the National Medical Association. Dr. Bignall is a recipient of the American Academy of Pediatrics Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) Award; a John E Lewy Fund Advocacy Scholar of the American Society of Pediatric Nephrology; and was named a 40 Under 40 Leader in Minority Health by the National Minority Quality Forum and the Congressional Black Caucus Health Braintrust.

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