



## Episode 4: "One Duke" . . . What does that really mean?

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**Hi and welcome to Viewpoint with Dean Mary Klotman from the Duke University School of Medicine. Today we spoke with Dean Klotman about the guiding principle of One Duke and why it's important to her.**

Dean Klotman:

So, I think Duke has an incredible advantage over many other institutions that I feel has not been completely leveraged. That is the fact that we are a world-class health system attached to a world-class university. Physically, we are in close proximity. So, what that means to me in terms of "One Duke" is that that's an opportunity to leverage all the different connections that can enhance our missions in the School of Medicine. For instance, a world-class School of Engineering, a world-class School of Medicine, the obvious opportunities there are to really start working in teams to solve problems. Or we look at data science, we are looking at a full university that has all those quantitative departments of scientists that can contribute to the science at the School of Medicine. The other way I look at "One Duke" is in our Health System. We have the opportunity to really integrate our practices with our hospitals in a way that we haven't done as much of or haven't needed to do as much of in the past. We've had a very successful practice that has grown. We've grown our hospitals. But when we look forward to how we deliver care, we really have to integrate across the delivery of care. That means that whether a patient is being seen in a practice or being taken care of in the hospital, that we make that a seamless transition, and in order to do that all the pieces have to work very well together. So, whenever I look at any opportunity at Duke, whether it's the research opportunity, it's the education opportunity or the clinical mission, I think if we work as a single institution we will be a lot more successful.

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