

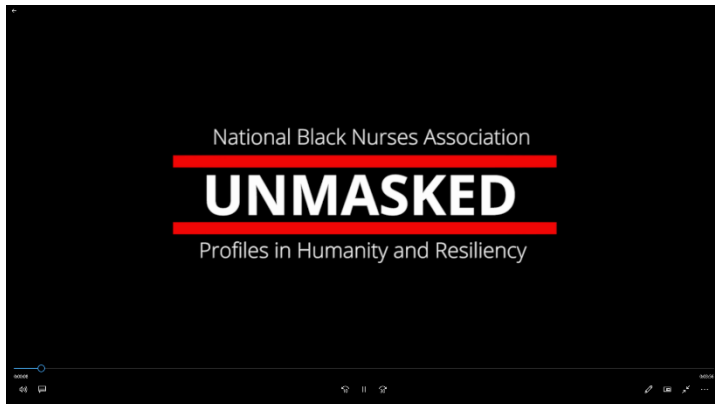
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New Video Series for Nurses Features Five NBNA Members Sharing Inspirational Stories of Resiliency During the COVID-19 Pandemic Unmasked: Profiles in Humanity and Resiliency

SILVER SPRING, MD, (Sept. 30, 2021) – The nursing workforce has been put to the test this year as COVID-19 continues to spread across the nation. The pandemic has shed a necessary light on the awe-inspiring strength of the nurse when faced with the unknown. Sharing personal stories can take a disconnected nurse back to the root of why they are doing what they are doing.

The National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) recently released [*Unmasked: Profiles in Humanity and Resiliency*](#), a new video series featuring five touching stories of NBNA members and how they combat the COVID-19 pandemic strife while incorporating resiliency in their everyday lives. Viewers get an inside glimpse of how nurses cope during the most difficult times of their lives. Sponsored by Johnson & Johnson, the videos are candid, transparent, and deliver a heartfelt expression on the trials and tribulations of being a nurse during a tragic era in our nation’s history.

“NBNA is fortunate to have the opportunity to feature stories of nurses across the nation fighting the coronavirus, collaborating with their communities, supporting each other, and coping every day,” states Dr. Martha A. Dawson, President and CEO of NBNA. “They are real people overcoming extraordinary challenges and saving lives. These stories represent their voice and their real-life experience, which is extremely important towards inspiring other nurses to become more resilient.”



View Unmasked: Profiles in Humanity and Resiliency Nurse Video Series:

- [View Ashley Pugh Story](#)
- [View Gregory Jones Story](#)
- [View Dr. Scharmaine Lawson Story](#)
- [View Paolo Gaude Story](#)
- [View Chanelle Dozier Story](#)

Nurses are not alone and there is hope and resources to address the times where coping support is needed.

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About the National Black Nurses Association

Founded in 1971, the National Black Nurses Association (NBNA) is a professional organization representing 308,000 African American registered nurses, licensed vocational/practical nurses, and nursing students in 111 chapters and 34 states. The NBNA mission is “to serve as the voice for Black nurses and diverse populations ensuring equal access to professional development, promoting educational opportunities and improving health.” NBNA chapters offer voluntary hours providing health education and screenings to community residents in collaboration with community-based partners, including faith-based organizations, civic, fraternal, hospitals, and schools of nursing. For more information, visit nbna.org. Follow us on [Instagram](#), [Facebook](#), and [Twitter](#)!

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