Statement from foundation president Frances G. Padilla and Board of Directors

Universal Health Care Foundation of CT has fought for health justice for 20 years, but that fight isn’t just about health care. There is no justice of any kind without racial justice.

Racism has long been the true public health crisis the U.S. faces, and we will continue centering anti-racist work and anti-racist voices in our fight for health care. We join in demanding from national, state, and local policymakers and other decision-makers that Black and Brown lives matter.

The people are rising up because at all levels our health, justice, education, political, and other systems are built on racist and exclusionary ideology, and they cannot take the assault on their humanity any longer.

The call is for eradicating the systems of oppression that continually keep Black and Brown people poor, disenfranchised, and in danger, and transforming them inside-out to systems that honor and build humanity, dignity, health, and prosperity.

Universal Health Care stands in solidarity with our brothers and sisters and will continue to work for justice for all.