How do we put aside prejudice and really talk to one another? What are the consequences of conscious and implicit bias in medicine – especially when it comes to race – for both physician and patient? These are questions that Dr. Damon Tweedy investigates both as an assistant professor of psychiatry at Duke University School of Medicine and a practicing psychiatrist at the Durham Veteran Affairs Health Care System.

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