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Recognized as an industry "game changer," Ije-Enu Nwosu is a savvy thought leader, business strategist, and sought-after voice for driving impact.

As chief advancement officer for the Kaiser Permanente Bernard J. Tyson School of Medicine, she leads the Office of People, Communications, and Development, overseeing the Office of Human Resources, the Office of Marketing and Communications, and the future Office of Development.

She previously served as vice president, Performance and Impact, with Kaiser Permanente, where she developed and drove market operating strategy for Enterprise Business Services. She led environmental, social, and governance initiatives, including convening health systems, medical technology suppliers, and health care distributors to make progress on decarbonizing the health care value chain. In a prior role, she served as executive director of Impact Spending for Kaiser Permanente, leading the Total Health Spend Optimization portfolio of the Buy to Pay Shared Service, ensuring spending decisions to be environmentally sound, economically viable, and socially equitable. Under her leadership, the impact spending portfolio grew more than 75% in 4 years, resulting in greater business impact of sustainability, national supplier diversity, and economic and community impact. She also served as chief of staff to Bernard J. Tyson, the late Kaiser Permanente chairman and CEO, facilitating the implementation of the organization's vision.

In addition to her professional work, she is board vice chair, Center for Environmental Health; advisory board member, Linkage Inc.; board member, MAKERS Women and Utuh USA Inc.; and former board member, Girls Inc. of Alameda County. She is the founder and host of The Pink Couch, a platform that addresses issues impacting women, underserved, and underrepresented communities. She was named to Modern Healthcare's Top 10 Minority Executives in Healthcare to Watch; San Francisco Business Times' Top 40 under 40 list; a ChangeMaker Awardee by MAKERS; and recognized by the Federation of American Hospitals with the Corris Boyd Leadership Award.

She completed an executive education residency at Harvard University Graduate School of Business and was a member of the Directors' Consortium at Stanford Graduate School of Business Executive Education. She completed the International Federation of Health Plans' Executive Development Programme and is a Carol Emmott Fellow. She received her MBA from Pepperdine University and a bachelor's in Economic Studies from the University of California, Berkeley.