

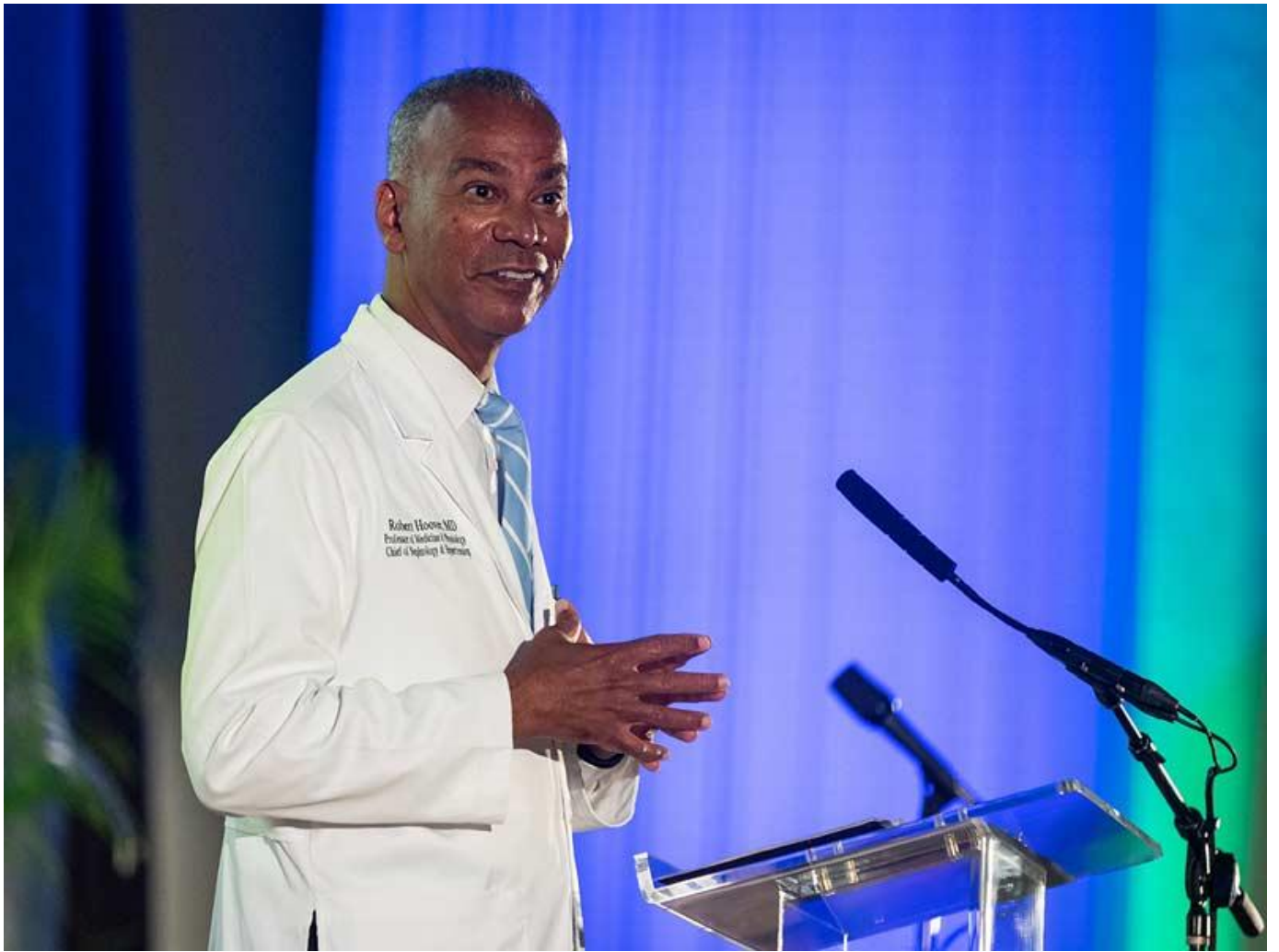
[School of Medicine welcomes Class of 2026 with White Coat Ceremony](#)

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The Tulane School of Medicine held the annual White Coat Ceremony for the Class of 2026 on Sunday, July 31, marking the beginning of their medical careers. At the ceremony, which was held in McAlister Auditorium on the uptown campus, first-year medical students were presented with their white medical coats and stethoscopes. After each student from the class was recognized on stage, the Class of 2026 recited the Tulane Physicians' Oath, cementing their commitment to their future patients and to themselves. To watch the ceremony, [click here](#).

(Photos by Rusty Costanza)















Students of the Class of 2026 listen intently to remarks at the White Coat Ceremony. Dr. Robert S. Hoover, section chief of nephrology and hypertension at the School of Medicine, addresses the Class of 2026 as the keynote speaker.

A student fist bumps School of Medicine Dean Lee Hamm as they go across the stage. Students were asked to either to do a fist bump or elbow bump as a COVID-19 precaution.

A student waves to their loved ones in the audience.

A proud loved one captures a moment as students are recognized on stage.

Excited students gather to take a group selfie.

Donning their white coat and stethoscope, a student takes a photo with their family after the ceremony.