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Shaylah Nunn Jones leads corporate affairs for Novo Nordisk's U.S. manufacturing organization, shaping internal communications, external affairs and policy priorities across eight biomanufacturing facilities that produce life-sustaining medicines for millions of patients worldwide. As a member of the U.S. Drug Product Manufacturing senior leadership team, she leads a multi-state team that integrates communications, public affairs and stakeholder engagement to advance manufacturing strategy, strengthen the company's reputation and build support for long-term growth. Over 18 years with Novo Nordisk, Shaylah has held increasingly senior public affairs roles representing the company at the federal, state and local levels.

Shaylah has helped advance major U.S. manufacturing investments by leading public affairs strategy, incentive negotiations and stakeholder engagement for multiple site expansions. Her most recent work includes supporting Novo Nordisk's $4.1 billion greenfield project announced in North Carolina in 2024 and helping secure the infrastructure, utilities and workforce partnerships needed for successful operations. Shaylah is a politically appointed Board Member of the North Carolina Biotechnology Center and the Economic Development Partnership of North Carolina.

Before joining Novo Nordisk, Shaylah served as a Senior Policy Analyst for the Governor of Virginia, acting as the Governor's liaison to members of Congress, federal agencies and Virginia-based businesses. She graduated magna cum laude from Spelman College and earned her Juris Doctor from the University of Georgia. Her proudest accomplishment is her title of Mom to her three bright sons.