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"The problems of this world cannot possibly be solved by skeptics and cynics whose horizons are limited by the obvious realities."

-John F. Kennedy

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As we begin a new year, MSU College of Human Medicine students are busy preparing for their international clerkships. Third-year students will be traveling to Costa Rica, Nicaragua and Peru for six weeks of medical service. Fourth-year students will spend the month of February in El Salvador. The programs in Costa Rica, Nicaragua and El Salvador are done in collaboration with FIMRC: The Foundation for International Medical Relief of Children. Students will be working in clinics and promoting healthy practices to the local populations.

For many, this trip marks the first opportunity to put medical knowledge into practice outside the United States. As one student noted, "Sure, I've been to Latin America before, but never with the feeling that I could make so much of a difference. Of course, any help is welcomed, but actually being able to care for patients will be incredible". Many students are also excited by the opportunity to provide health education on topics such as diabetes, dental hygiene, and accidents/injuries. With the assistance of students from the MSU School of Public Health, programs will hopefully reach the eyes and ears of many. Finally, besides delivering much needed care to these regions, working in these nations will also be a valuable learning experience. Many diseases and conditions that are rarely encountered in the US can be seen here, often because of poor access to health care and lack of financial resources.

While abroad, students will have the unique opportunity to live with local families. Through home stays, students will be able to gain a greater appreciation for the area's culture. Because fun is important too, students will have time on the weekends to explore each country for whatever activities interest them. In these diverse nations, there will be unlimited options to fill the free time - from museums and mercados (markets) to volcanoes and rainforests. Overall, students are in for what has been previously deemed "the best six weeks of medical school". As they say in Costa Rica: Pura Vida!

--Karyn Ledbetter, MS-III

Donations, Donations, Donations!!!!

It's almost here! On January 16th, my fellow medical students and I will begin the long-awaited international rotation. It is the reason many of us applied to the Leadership in Medicine for the Underserved/Vulnerable in the first place. Indeed, we are all excited about the experience and how it will contribute to our growth as physicians. But for now, the focus is on gathering donations to ensure that our stays in Peru, Costa Rica, and Nicaragua will make as big a difference as possible to the patients we will be serving. This year we have been accepting monetary donations online and by check. We have also sent donation boxes to each of the MSU-CHM communities to better facilitate the process

for fellow students. A list of local businesses has also been created, and with donation letter and business card in hand, we have been approaching them directly. Our search for supplies reaches far and wide, and the more we receive from the local community, the better we can deliver care to the underserved communities we will visit abroad.

From antibiotics to analgesics, shoes to toothbrushes, all donations make a difference. If you would like to make a donation, there are several options available which are listed below.

To see how your donations are contributing, please visit our blog at <http://chmlmuv.blogspot.com>. We will be updating it regularly during our stay abroad.

Online Monetary Donation

If you would like to make an online monetary donation, please visit our website at <http://www.synergymedical.org/lmuv>, and follow the instructions under the "Make Donation" section.

All monetary donations are tax deductible. Our MSU Tax ID# is 38-6005984.

Check Donation

Checks can be made out to Michigan State University and in the memo line write Leadership in Medicine for the Underserved-Saginaw.

Please mail to:

***University Development
Michigan State University
300 Spartan Way
East Lansing, MI 48824-1005.***

Boxed Supplies Donation

Please mail to:

***Leadership in Medicine for the Underserved-Saginaw
ATTN: Bridget Y. Hinds
1000 Houghton Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48602***

We will gladly pick up donated supplies as well!

Thank you for supporting our cause.

***Alan Cantillep
MS-III***

Student/Resident

Experiences

And

Rotations in

Community

Health

Search Program *(taken from the Michigan Rural Health Quarterly, Fall 2009, submitted by the MDCH)*

The Michigan Department of Community Health (MSCH), in partnership with the Michigan Health Council, Michigan Center for Rural Health, Michigan Primary Care Association, and the National Health Services

Corps, is establishing the Michigan SEARCH (M-SEARCH) program. They will be working with health professional training programs and community clinical sites to begin placing students in underserved communities in 2010.

The SEARCH program matches health professional students/residents with practice sites and preceptors in underserved communities. Eligible students include those enrolled in medical, physician assistant, nurse practitioner, dental, and other primary care medical residents. Each will complete 4 – 8 weeks of clinical rotations as part of a multidisciplinary health care team and the completion of a community project.

For more information, please contact the Michigan Department of Community Health, Health Planning and Access to Care Section:

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ATTENTION CLASS OF 2010!

You must apply for graduation. You will need to submit a completed application by the first week of the semester you expect to complete your degree requirements. If you will complete your degree requirements during Summer, apply for Summer by the first week of Spring semester.

Both Spring and Summer applicants will be included in the Spring Commencement Ceremonies. For students with MSUNetId and Password, fill out the on-line graduation application form. For students without MSUNetId and Password, print and complete the hard copy graduation application form and fax or mail it to the Office of the Registrar.

You can find the application form at:

<http://www.reg.msu.edu/StuForms/GradApp/GradApp.asp>

The Michigan State University College of Human Medicine 2010 Commencement ceremony will be held on Sunday, May 9, 2010 at 3:00pm at the Wharton Center for Performing Arts. This is the first time that CHM commencement will be held on the same weekend as the regular MSU commencement. You are strongly encouraged to make hotel accommodations for your family and friends as soon as possible, as hotels in East Lansing and the surrounding area have limited availability for that weekend. You can always cancel a reservation later, but you may find it extremely difficult to find a room as we get closer to the celebration.

ERAS 2010 Timeline for Allopathic Schools

Date	Activity
January 2010	Urology match results are available.
March 2010	NRMP Match results are available, beginning at 1pm. Scramble.
May 31, 2010	ERAS Post Office will close to prepare for the ERAS 2011 season.
July 1, 2010	Residency training begins.

NRMP 2010 Timeline

January 15, 2010 – Rank Order List Entry begins
January 31, 2010 – Program Quota Change Deadline
February 24, 2010 – Late Registration deadline. Rank Order Lists closes at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Standard Time
March 18, 2010 – Match Day

Core Competency Schedule

1/06/10 CAAM #7 – John Clements, rm. 410
 1/13/10 CAAM #8 – John Clements, rm. 410
 1/20/10 **NO CORE COMP**
 1/27/10 **NO CORE COMP**

All student materials (except for Virtuous Physician) are located on the MSU-CHM ANGEL website at: <https://www.angel.msu.edu>



Please join us in wishing a happy and prosperous birthday to the following CHM Students:

Sarah Lindsay, MS-III – January 7th

Go Green! Hey all you loyal Spartan fans...interested in purchasing tickets for Spartan Sports? Here is the official website of Spartan Athletics....

<http://www.msuspartans.com/tickets/msu-tickets.html>

Today January 2010 Refresh							Print	Day	Week	Month	4 Days	Agenda
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat						
27	28	29	30	31	Jan 1	2	Winter Break					
			Fourth Year Spanis	New Year's Eve	New Year's Day							
3	4	5	6	7	8	9	Winter Break					
			3p Core Comps# 7									
10	11	12	13	14	15	16						
	5:30p DSAC Meeting		10 Core Comps CA, 12:15p Blood Pressu			Year 3 students de						
17	18	19	20	21	22	23						
	MSU Holiday Martin Luther King											
24	25	26	27	28	29	30						Year 4 students de
31	Feb 1	2	3	4	5	6	Fourth Year Spanis					
		Groundhog Day										

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