



2011 Leadership Award Recipients

Medical Student Recipients



Alexander Bagley
Harvard Medical School

Alex Bagley is an MD/PhD student at Harvard Medical School and the founder of Sports Legacy Institute Community Educators (SLICE), a medical student-run organization that educates student athletes about concussions through free, interactive presentations. Since its founding in 2009, SLICE has served hundreds of young athletes across greater Boston and will be expanding to other medical schools across the country. A recipient of the Barry M. Goldwater Congressional Scholarship, Mr. Bagley graduated from MIT in 2008 with degrees in chemical engineering and biology, earning Phi Beta Kappa distinction. As a

former player on the MIT Men's Varsity Basketball team, he has been able to combine his interests in medicine, education and athletics through SLICE. Mr. Bagley plans to pursue a career in academic medicine while continuing to develop outreach programs to serve the community.

Jessica Beaman
University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine

Jessica Beaman is a third-year medical student who seeks to pursue clinical work founded in evidence-based interventions and community-based research so as to ultimately influence public policy. Her interests are in reproductive health care and underserved populations. As a first-year medical student, she solidified her goal of helping the underserved through her role as the co-coordinator for a free clinic at Maria Shelter, a women's and children's homeless shelter on the south side of Chicago. Later that year, Ms. Beaman spent the summer in El Salvador working with a local NGO, Provida, to organize a campaign highlighting gender inequalities and intimate partner violence in communities around San Salvador. Most recently, she went to Haiti to assist in the provision of health care following the earthquake. Ms. Beaman has traveled extensively and has been a part of addressing the various issues that neglected communities face both here and abroad.



Christopher Chen
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

Christopher P. Chen is in his final year of the MD/MBA program at the University of Pennsylvania and The Wharton School. He is pursuing a residency in internal medicine and subsequently a clinical career leading a health care organization dedicated to the underserved. Mr. Chen has served his student body through the Medical Student Government over the last five years, and now as president he is directing several initiatives including a curriculum review, technological improvements and facility renovations. Having volunteered in Botswana, Haiti and China, Mr. Chen also has a great interest in global

health and addressing health care disparities.



Betty Chung, MA
UMDNJ School of Osteopathic Medicine

Betty Chung is a fourth-year osteopathic medical student who graduated from The University of Chicago with a Bachelor of Arts degree in biological sciences and from Boston University School of Medicine with a Masters of Arts degree in pharmacology, and she hopes to pursue a career in academic pathology and public health. Ms. Chung led her Student Osteopathic Medical Association and Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association (APAMSA) chapters to be recognized with national awards. She also served as Student Council First Vice President and on the Council of Osteopathic Student Government

Presidents. In 2008, Ms. Chung was chosen as the UMDNJ-SOM Student DO of the Year. She oversees UMDNJ-SOM's La Clínica Migratorio migrant farmworker mobile clinic every summer. Ms. Chung was also a Schweitzer Fellow and helped to start Hepatitis B education, screening and vaccination programs at two free health clinics, and she currently works with Hep B Free Philly. She was national conference co-chair and national program director for APAMSA, National Grassroots Coordinator for the American Medical Student Association's (AMSA) Race, Ethnicity and Culture in Health (REACH) Committee and is the current national chair for AMSA REACH.



Megan Gayeski
University of Michigan Medical School

Megan Gayeski is a third-year medical student at the University of Michigan. During her time in Ann Arbor, she has worked to improve the school's interpersonal violence curriculum by holding large patient presentations and small group discussions on sexual assault and is working to further develop educational opportunities for students in this area. Ms. Gayeski has also been extensively involved in AMA activities on multiple levels, serving as the co-chair of the Region V Meeting, vice chair of the Michigan Medical Student Section and vice chair of the Committee on Long Range Planning. Her interest in health care administration

and politics has been demonstrated by her membership on the County Pandemic Council, which determines vaccine recommendations for the Ann Arbor-Ypsilanti area, and talks she has given to the Michigan State Medical Society on medical students and health care. Ms. Gayeski plans to pursue a career in anesthesiology while continuing her other academic and professional interests.



Joshua Goldman
Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center School of Medicine

Joshua J. Goldman completed his undergraduate study at Stanford University with a Bachelor of Science degree in biological sciences with general honors and a minor in philosophy. He is currently a third-year medical student, and his interest in philosophy has motivated him to found and chair the Medical Ethics and Humanities Society. Mr. Goldman is a member of the Texas Medical Association Council on Science and Public Health as well as vice chair of the AMA-MSS Committee on Bioethics and Humanities. He hopes both positions will allow him to positively affect health care reform and medical education in the future.

Throughout his academic career, Mr. Goldman has conducted extensive research in oncology that has been presented at internationally attended conferences and published in noteworthy journals. He was recently honored as a third-year selectee for his school's chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha. Mr. Goldman plans to pursue residency training in plastic and reconstructive surgery with a special interest in utilizing his oncology experience towards research in post-cancer reconstruction.



John Graham
Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine

John Graham is a third-year medical student who is seeking a career in surgery. From an early age, he has shown the desire to be an effective leader and progressed his skills through the Boy Scouts of America, earning the Eagle Scout award. In medical school, Mr. Graham was elected by his peers to serve on both the Student Council and Student Conduct Council, and he has been involved in annual class projects, writing the honor code and serving as a voice of the student body to the school administration. He was also the first medical student in his school's history to be appointed to serve on the board of

trustees by Governor Ted Strickland in order to provide student insight at the highest level of school functioning. Mr. Graham was selected to participate in the Medical Student Training in Aging Research program at the Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Md., in the summer of 2009. He has given back to the community through activities such as participating in Relief Spark New Orleans, spending a week with several classmates in the city planting gardens, serving meals at the local parish, cleaning up a local school and tutoring in math and reading.



Harb Nidal Harb
University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine

Harb Harb is a fourth-year medical student pursuing a career in health policy with a specific focus on refugee health and health consequences in wartime. He will be entering a residency in internal medicine. During the course of medical school, Mr. Harb has served as the Mobile Clinic Translating/Interpreting Chair, and he designed and implemented a Health and Nutrition Afterschool Program for seven elementary schools, providing services to approximately 300 children in Iowa City, Iowa. He serves as the chair of the Interdisciplinary Outreach Committee of the Executive Council of Graduate and Professional Students,

advocating collaboration between colleges. Mr. Harb currently serves as the Student Body President of the Carver College of Medicine and is active in various committees including advocacy, technology, education, diversity and activity. He will be the first student to receive triple distinction from the College of Medicine in research, service and teaching. His most recent award is the Gold Humanism Award.



Amanda Herzog
University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health

Amanda Herzog is a rising fourth-year medical student who strives to promote public health and preventative education. As a medical student in 2008, Ms. Herzog co-founded the non-profit organization Healthy Classrooms Foundation, which supports a community effort to invest in the sustainable development of healthy lifestyles and make classrooms a healthier place to learn. Similarly passionate about health care disparities and underserved populations, she sat on the MEDiC Free Clinics council, serving six free clinics throughout Dane County, Wisc. Ms. Herzog was recently selected as the Wisconsin Medical Society Presidential Scholar.



Richard M. Hubbard
Virginia Commonwealth University School of Medicine

Richard Hubbard is a second-year medical student with a special interest in socioeconomic and health issues facing poor and abandoned children in the developing world. He is co-founder and president of the Basic Needs Program, a charitable organization that provides housing, clothing, food, education and medical care to 25 orphaned children in Bangladesh. Mr. Hubbard is also the founder of The Susan Hubbard School, a primary school providing education to 60 children in rural Bangladesh. In addition, he is working with faculty at VCU School of Medicine to develop a health care project that provides medical services to poor children and their families. Mr. Hubbard was recently named the student recipient of the Salute to Service Award, given to one medical student each year by the Medical Society of Virginia.

Matthew Imm
Ohio State University College of Medicine

Matthew Imm is a fourth-year medical student preparing for a career in internal medicine and pediatrics. Throughout medical school, Mr. Imm has actively sought opportunities to learn about and ameliorate inequities in health care especially as they pertain to global health. As a first-year medical student he helped found and lead PODEMOS, an organization dedicated to providing essential primary care services to marginalized communities in Honduras. Through the implementation of innovative solutions and evidence based medicine, PODEMOS provides responsible care for patients with chronic conditions including diabetes, hypertension and asthma. Now in its fourth year, the organization employs a community health worker, has supported 65 volunteers, provided as many as 2,000 patient care visits and produced six scholarly presentations and posters.



Bhavika Kaul
Baylor College of Medicine

Bhavika Kaul is a second-year medical student from Houston, Texas, who seeks to pursue a career in public health advocacy. Originally from California, Ms. Kaul graduated with a Bachelor of Science degree from Rice University, where she conducted research at the James A. Baker Institute for Public Policy and helped organize conferences on topics ranging from science education to global health. She has volunteered abroad extensively, working with refugees in India and, most recently, with disadvantaged children in Argentina as a Loewenstern Fellow. While an undergraduate, she served as an AMSA Global Health intern and helped organize the National Medical Student Lobby Day on the African Health Capacity Act and the State Children's Health Insurance Program. Last year, as an Albert Schweitzer Fellow, Ms. Kaul established a rotating mobile clinic program in partnership with Catholic Charities and Texas Children's Hospital to bring health care to Burmese refugees in Houston. Currently, as part of Baylor's Underserved Communities Track, she volunteers at the HOMES clinic, a multi-disciplinary, student-run free clinic for the homeless of Houston. Ms. Kaul serves as a class officer and is a voting member of the Baylor College of Medicine Admissions Committee.



Emery Lin
Northwestern University Feinberg School of Medicine

Emery C. Lin is a rising fourth-year medical student, who is currently completing a 1-year orthopaedic sports medicine research fellowship at Rush University Medical Center. His interests are in medical education, improving access to health care in underserved populations, nutrition education and medical advocacy. Mr. Lin has been involved in organized medicine throughout medical school, and he currently serves as the vice chair of the Illinois State Medical Society-Medical Student Section and as a district trustee for the Chicago Medical Society. Since 2006, he has served as the director of operations for Youth

Empowerment International Medical Missions, coordinating an annual volunteer trip to provide medical care and education for Haitian refugee children in the bateyes of La Romana, Dominican Republic. Mr. Lin spends his spare time juggling, playing basketball and rooting for the Florida Gators. He also enjoys cooking and trying a variety of different culinary delights.



Zwade Marshall
Emory University School of Medicine

Zwade Marshall is a fourth-year medical student pursuing dual degrees in medicine and business, and he is entering the residency match in 2011 to pursue a career in anesthesiology. Mr. Marshall's business research interests are in operating suite efficiency and utilization models in health care operations. As a medical student in 2006, he co-founded the Pipeline Program, an award-winning longitudinal high school mentoring program focused on exposing inner-city students to health sciences at Emory School of Medicine. In 2010, Mr. Marshall was awarded the Emory Humanitarian of the Year Prize for

his work with the Pipeline Program.



Jean-Phillip Okhovat
University of California, Riverside/UCLA Thomas Haider Program in Biomedical Sciences

Jean-Phillip Okhovat is a first-year medical student from Los Angeles, Calif., who seeks to pursue a career involving public health and delivering health care to underserved populations. He served as the co-founder for the Foundation of International Medical Relief of Children at UCR, and he volunteered with the Rotary International Organization to raise money aimed at eradicating polio, purchasing wheelchairs for the disabled and eliminating illiteracy in Los Angeles. Mr. Okhovat also served as a student officer for the Student

Homeless Aid Relief Project, helping to provide lunches to the homeless population in Riverside. He is currently a student volunteer for the Student Run Health Clinic and Street Medicine at UCR, two organizations that provide free health care to the homeless population in Riverside. Mr. Okhovat plans to continue to travel abroad to impoverished areas as a medical student and physician to provide health care to those who have minimal access to basic care.



Ravi Patel
Vanderbilt University School of Medicine

Ravi Patel is a second-year medical student who seeks to pursue a career in health care administration and policy. His interests lie in addressing health disparities using sustainable social entrepreneurial solutions. During his first year of medical school, Mr. Patel co-founded Vanderbilt Medical School's Nicaragua Service Project, in which 25 medical students implemented an electronic cataloging system and renovated a wing of a local eye hospital. In his second year, he was a co-executive director of Shade Tree Clinic, Vanderbilt's free medical student-run clinic. In January 2010, Mr. Patel founded The

Nashville Mobile Market. This public health intervention is a social enterprise solution for providing access to healthy foods in the food deserts of Nashville.



Jason Reminick
University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry

Jason Reminick is a second-year medical student in the combined MD/MBA program at the University of Rochester School of Medicine and Dentistry and the Simon Graduate School of Business Administration. He graduated from the University of Pennsylvania in 2007 in an accelerated BA/MS program, earning his Master of Science degree in chemistry and Bachelor of Arts degree in biochemistry and theatre arts with honors. Mr. Reminick is committed to improving health care through medical entrepreneurship. He is part of a collaborative effort to provide specialty care via telemedicine to Parkinson's disease patients in rural nursing homes. Mr. Reminick is a co-director in organizing a Free Weekend of Care for underserved communities in Rochester. He is also a Joseph Collins Foundation Fellow, chair of the Medical Reader's Theatre Project, finance chair for the University of Rochester Well Free Clinic, and he is spearheading a collaborative project developing an economic model for translational medicine in drug discovery and development.



Misty Richards, MS
Albany Medical College

Misty Richards is a third-year medical student interested in primary care and global medicine. She is part of the MD/MS program at Albany Medical College and received her Master of Science degree in neuroscience in May 2010. She is a Fulbright Scholar and completed her graduate fellowship as part of her master's degree in Tokyo, Japan, during the 2008-2009 academic year. In her second year of medical school, Ms. Richards co-founded a medical clinic in rural Uganda called the Engeye Health Clinic. The clinic is the only source of health care for miles and has treated over 35,000 patients to date.

Additionally, Ms. Richards has served as the national student president of the American Medical Women's Association where she helped rebuild an active student division from the ground up.



Stephen Rivoli, MPH, MA, CPHQ
Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine

Stephen Rivoli is a second-year osteopathic medical student at Touro College of Osteopathic Medicine in Harlem, New York. His interests lie in translation of evidence-based quality practices to complex real world health care delivery. Since 2006, Mr. Rivoli has worked in quality and patient safety at Lenox Hill Hospital in Manhattan, which is a member of the North Shore-Long Island Jewish Health System. There he has focused extensively in the areas of patient satisfaction, health care metrics and clinical operation improvement. Stephen is also passionate about gay and lesbian health issues. In 2009, he

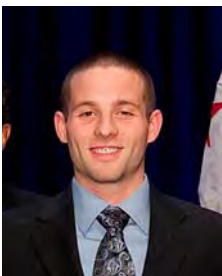
founded The Harvey Milk Men, a community group that has already raised over \$100,000 for various GLBT causes, notably AIDS Walk New York.



Suchita Shah
Columbia University College of Physicians and Surgeons

Suchita Shah is a third-year medical student pursuing a career at the intersection of medical practice and policy, with an interest in optimizing the delivery of care. She is currently the chair of the AMA Medical Student Section Committee on Long-Range Planning and previously served as an alternate delegate to the AMA's House of Delegates. At Columbia, Ms. Shah has been a leader in shared governance, representing her colleagues on multiple campus-wide task forces ranging from curriculum redesign to architectural planning. She has led initiatives to mentor young students interested in careers in health care through her

active involvement as a board member for both the U.S. Senate Youth Alumni Association and New York City chapter of the Wisconsin Alumni Association, as well as through an after-school program for at-risk youth.



Jason Thuener
Wright State University Boonshoft School of Medicine

Jason Thuener is a third-year medical student who seeks to pursue a career in internal medicine or radiology. Mr. Thuener was part of a medical mission that served the rural population of Jamaica, and he is currently on-track to complete the International Health Program. For over two years, he has coached for the Special Olympics and volunteered with the Weekend Intervention Program for impaired drivers, a program that links the court system and substance abuse treatment programs. Mr. Thuener has also served as the administrative director of Student-2-Student, which is a program that offers education about

nutrition, human anatomy, puberty and substance abuse to Dayton-area schools.



Jorge Uribe
University of Pennsylvania School of Medicine

Jorge A. Uribe is a fourth-year medical student whose interests include U.S./Mexico border health, health disparities and expanding public health and research opportunities in underserved regions. As a medical student, Mr. Uribe was instrumental in the opening of a cross-disciplinary free clinic, Puentes de Salud, for Latino immigrants living in Philadelphia. Working under the leadership of Dr. Steve Larson and Dr. Matthew O'Brien he established bi-weekly GED testing, coordinated volunteer efforts and contributed directly to patient care. Mr. Uribe has also been active in the recruitment of minorities to the medical school, and he has been involved in many other community service projects working with underserved or minority populations. While earning his master's of public health at Johns Hopkins, Mr. Uribe worked under Dr. Sheila West examining the need for new glasses (uncorrective refractive error) among Latino adults living in southern Arizona. He is hoping to continue such efforts through a career in academic medicine.



Gregory Valentine
University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston

Gregory Valentine is a third-year medical student who aspires to work in academic medicine with an emphasis on primary care and international medicine. He has volunteered in Romanian orphanages in the summers since 2006 through the Broken Heart Foundation. While in Romania in 2009, he helped create the first written educational materials covering wound care basics in the Romanian and English languages for a wound care organization that reaches over 500 patients a month. In addition, as a first-year medical student he founded Hands and Feet Medical Missions, which provides free health care to residents on the Texas/Mexico border. This organization has now expanded to other medical schools throughout Texas, and has had over 1,000 patient encounters since it first began. In his third year of medical school, Mr. Valentine created a program entitled "Sir William Osler's Name That Book" to promote self-directed learning through a reading competition for third- and fourth-graders in the Galveston school district. He has a passion to advance patient education practices and health policy, both domestically and internationally, through public service endeavors.



Rahul Vanjani
George Washington University School of Medicine and Health Sciences

Rahul Vanjani is a third-year medical student pursuing a career in primary care and health advocacy. Mr. Vanjani co-founded George Washington University's second student-run clinic in the Anacostia section of southeast Washington, D.C. This clinic provides comprehensive primary care services to HIV-positive patients. As a medical student, Mr. Vanjani has investigated the factors associated with poor medication adherence among the District's HIV-positive population. He also founded Seeding Communities, a non-profit organization with a mission to improve maternal and child health in developing areas of India. Mr. Vanjani received a Master of Science degree in integrated immunology from the University of Oxford.

Resident and Fellow Recipients



Jacob Behrens, MD
University of Wisconsin Hospital and Clinics, Psychiatry Residency

Jacob Behrens, MD, is a second-year psychiatry resident seeking to pursue a career utilizing technological advances that provide new treatment modalities and improved geographic access to quality psychiatric care within Wisconsin, and hopefully beyond. He was recently selected to the Clinical Educator Track at the University of Wisconsin, and hopes to continue in a career path with direct connection to the education and mentorship of fellow colleagues, students and the public. Dr. Behrens remains active within the county, state and national chapters of the American Medical Association and the American Psychiatric Association while continuing to work enthusiastically with residency recruitment/development, and with Savory Sunday, a local effort providing hot meals and transportation services to those in need.



Stephanie Donald, MD
University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center, Emergency Medicine Residency

Stephanie Donald, MD, is a second-year emergency medicine resident who seeks to pursue a career in health policy and academic emergency medicine. Her interests are in access to health care for underserved populations and medical education. As a medical student, Dr. Donald served as the community outreach coordinator for the Washington Park Children's Free Health Clinic, a safety net clinic serving the children of Chicago's South Side. Currently, she serves as a resident leader for the Harbor-UCLA chapter of the

Committee of Interns and Residents, advocating for improved health care for the patients of Los Angeles County, and striving to improve work conditions for housestaff. Dr. Donald is also involved in reorganizing Harbor-UCLA's sepsis protocol to improve patient mortality at her institution.



Jonathan Shepherd, MD
Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine, Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Fellowship

A Chicago native, Jonathan Shepherd, MD, is a second-year child and adolescent psychiatry fellow who has been selected for the inaugural edition of *Who's Who in Black Baltimore: Celebrating African-American Achievements* for his strong dedication to launching programs that address the social ills of our youth. Dr. Shepherd seeks to provide national leadership in the advocacy of quality mental health services for all children. His professional leadership includes service as co-chairperson of the Community Relations

Committee for the historic Monumental City Medical Society in Baltimore. His civic involvement includes community-based projects through the Office of Culture and Diversity Competence at the Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine and consultation for the Mario's Do Right Foundation, a non-profit serving the needs of children with substance-addicted parents. A man of faith, Dr. Shepherd is an ordained minister in the Church of God in Christ, Inc., and he serves in many leadership capacities at his local church, Carter Memorial Church of God in Christ.

Early Career Physicians



Christopher Buresh, MD
Clinical Assistant Professor, Emergency Medicine, University of Iowa, Carver College of Medicine

Chris Buresh, MD, is an assistant clinical professor in emergency medicine at the University of Iowa where he is currently enrolled in the Master of Public Health program. He has been interested in international health since first traveling to India in 1997. Since 2003, Dr. Buresh has been working in Haiti, and he co-founded the Community Health Initiative with medical school classmate Josh White in 2009, in order to establish a primary care system in isolated mountainous villages. After the earthquake in January 2010, the Community Health

Initiative established a field hospital in Leogane, Haiti. Dr. Buresh was in the inaugural class of the emergency medicine residency at the University of Iowa and became the assistant residency director upon completion. He is also involved in teaching at the medical school, the School of Public Health and in emergency medical services across the state. His research focuses on traumatic brain injury and traumatic injuries from all-terrain vehicles.



Ray Hsiao, MD
Co-Director, Adolescent Substance Abuse Program, Seattle Children's Hospital, Assistant Professor, Department of Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences, University of Washington School of Medicine

Ray Hsiao, MD, is currently serving on the Executive Committee of the Washington State Medical Association as the assistant secretary-treasurer and continues to be actively involved in the Washington State Psychiatric Association (WSPA) as a past president. For his outstanding contribution to WSPA, Dr. Hsiao was honored with the William Sorum

Award by the American Psychiatric Association. In addition to his advocacy efforts through organized medicine, Dr. Hsiao is working closely with various state and local government agencies, health service providers and community organizations to transform prevention and treatment services for adolescents with co-occurring psychiatric and substance use disorders in Washington State. His leadership in advancing the field of adolescent addiction treatment and education has led to international recognition, and Dr. Hsiao was recently named as a Presidential International Consultant for National Chung Cheng University in Taiwan.



Lynn L.C. Jeffers, MD

Private Practice, Plastic Surgery, Oxnard, California

Lynn Jeffers, MD, is a plastic surgeon in private practice who has been active in organized medicine since 1992. She has had an interest in health policy advocacy and leadership development since 1983. Dr. Jeffers was instrumental in developing a biannual multisession leadership development program for the American Society of Plastic Surgeons (ASPS), and has been a facilitator/instructor for the course since 2007. She has designed and led a number of strategic planning sessions within various organizations including the ASPS, the California Society of Plastic Surgeons (CSPS), and the California Medical Association (CMA). She has previously been named a White House Presidential Scholar and an Advisor and Commissioner Liaison to the White House Commission on Presidential Scholars. She currently serves as the president-elect of the Ventura County Medical Association, as the chair of the CMA-YPS, and on the board of the ASPS, the CSPS and the St. John's Healthcare Foundation.