

Below is a written update from AMA Foundation President, Jacqueline A. Bello, MD, FACR, as part of the 2020 November Special Meeting.

As a result of the generous donations from so many members of the AMA's House of Delegates, the Foundation awarded nearly **\$1,000,000** this past year to support medical students, physicians and community health care organizations when they needed it most. This included:

- \$315,000 to support community health organizations in the prevention and education of hypertension and type-II diabetes
- The reallocation of \$250,000 to directly support our Community Health Partner's efforts to combat COVID-19
- \$665,551 to support Medical Education and Leadership, including 28 Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarships to medical students who demonstrated academic excellence and financial need
- \$20,000 to the Displaced Resident Fund in response to the Hahnemann School Closing
- A year-long Leadership Development Institute for rising final-year medical students which includes formal mentorship with members of this House

Looking ahead to 2021, the Foundation is excited to launch a new program – our National Fellowship in LGBTQ Health. Led by business executive, philanthropist and co-founder of C-SPAN, John D. Evans and the AMA Foundation's Commission on LGBTQ Health, this Fellowship will create a pipeline of physicians who are knowledgeable and culturally competent in addressing health care disparities and stigmas faced by the LGBTQ community. To kickstart the Fellowship, the Foundation Board of Directors unanimously approved a grant to pilot an LGBTQ Fellowship in partnership with the Icahn School of Medicine at Mount Sinai.

Thank you for your continued support of the Foundation. If you have not already, it is easy to donate as part of the Special Meeting and receive your 2020 November Special Meeting commemorative pin.



Simply return the letter you should have recently received, visit the Foundation's virtual booth starting Friday, Nov. 13, at https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7473383705 or www.amafoundation.org/specialmeeting. We hope you have a great meeting and look forward to seeing you soon.