Student Council Meeting Agenda 05/07/2014

Attendance: Bryce Bludevich, Murtaza Bharmal, Rebekah, Shravan Rao, Daniel Haddad, Sarrah Gardner, Kiersten Hallquist, Dean Zehle, Vanessa Patten, Emily Rosen
Excused: Michael Mollo, Ryan Hendrix

I. Budget Request for Global Health SIG (see below) – Approved $150
II. Budget Request for OB/GYN SIG (see below)- Approved $70
III. Budget Request for Medical Spanish SIG (see below)- Approved $349.49
IV. Budget Request for Integrative Health (see below)- Approved $175
V. Budget Request for Medical Spanish And Migrant Worker Health Booklet (see below)– Approved $150 reimbursement
VI. New SIG Applications
   a. Approved- SNMA
   b. Approved- Dance SIG
   c. Medical Ethics Student Interest Group- Postponed for next meeting. We are very interested in this SIG, but would like to see some planned events first.
VII. Budget Review
   a. Changed SIG budget from $6,000 to $8,000/yr
   b. Budget Request Sheet vs. Spending Report Sheet
VIII. Webspace for SIGs
   http://www.uvm.edu/medicine/mededucation/?Page=interestgroups.html&SM=students_menu.html
   a. Determine Goals for this space
      i. We determined to not post Student Council Budget here, but instead through COMET - a place for SIG leaders to be able to look and see how much money they have spent and how much we have available in order to increase transparency
IX. Community Service Coordinator
   a. Allocated $5,000 for the academic year
   b. Elections-beginning of June for class of 2017
X. Osler Video
   a. Finishing up filming this week and will edit this weekend
XI. Field Day
   a. First Saturday After Orientation
   b. Subcommittees should be organizing at this time
XII. Sexual Harassment Training
XIII. Senior Week Ticket Sales- going well
XIV. Updates from Executive Board
   a. Administration
      i. 100% match, board scores and pass rates at historical highs, UVM above 95th percentile nationally for satisfaction fifth year in a row
      ii. Larner classroom blueprints shown, will have 24 hr swipe access, has white noise technology, visible screens throughout classroom, small tables conducive for conversation
      iii. Faculty Teaching Academy retreat Monday 4/14 with 60 faculty, have consultant for Teaching Academy
   b. SEG
i. Helping Darlene Peterson on MCC put together educational task force, interacting with other health professionals (nurses, chaplains etc.)

ii. Also discussed test anxiety

iii. Dr. Gallant came to discuss redoing admissions process (multiple mini-interviews? maybe using students? teamwork exercise?), but not necessarily getting rid of one hour formal interviews

iv. Trying to have a more evidence based way of assessing prospective students using competencies

v. Discussion about lunchtime ambassadors during admissions: would like to have students more included in the process, potentially informally, as they do in residency interviews

vi. Ambassador lunches are currently a problem – some of the students who participate in lunches say inappropriate things or are not the best representation of the student body. List needs to be either vetted or needs to be a more vigorous application process. Prospective students should be seeing the true culture of UVM to see if they feel as though they will fit.

c. Wellness

i. Sub-committee on anxiety, trying to address it immediately when first years start, want to potentially work in collaboration with other committees – interested in doing event in spring aimed at class of 2017 (boards, issues and concerns)

ii. Mindfulness Monday – informal drop in sessions to support positivity, reassessing event

iii. Brown Bag Lunches – last topic was building resiliency

iv. Wellness Info Business Cards! Will be passed out at orientation

v. Retreat after elections starting next year for training on peer support

vi. Peer Support Group (don’t have date yet, but happening this month)

vii. Fresh Fridays/Art night

d. AAMC/OSR

i. Currently active OSR representatives: Priyanka Chilakamarri (c/o 2016) and Brian Till (c/o 2017).

ii. Next national meeting: April 26-29, 2014 in San Diego

iii. AAMC organizations at the meeting:-

iv. Group on Diversity and Inclusion (GDI)

v. Group on Student Affairs (GSA)

vi. Organization of Student Representatives (OSR)

vii. Going to try to bring back experience (Blog/Twitter/interviews) in order to make it more accessible to students who cannot attend meeting, what will be useful for COM?

XV. **OMSE Question Time**- Any questions for Kiersten
Budget Request Form
For Student Interest Groups

Name of Interest Group: Global Health SIG

Group Leaders: Liz Cochrane, Amy Schumer, Katherine Wang, Sruthi Sakamuri

Faculty Advisor: Dr. Mariah MacNamara

Group Contact (Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)
- Name: Sruthi Sakamuri
- Phone Number: 781 363 1161
- Given Box #: 362

Amount requested (Note: Please read the “Purchasing & Reimbursement” rules prior)
$100

Have you or do you plan to fundraise?
We plan on speaking with advisors next year to work on fundraising and with Dr. Sadigh

Reason for Funding Request (Please be as specific as possible and include a description):
Dr. MacCauley will be speaking to us about ethics and global health (similar to what happened in the fall) as a refresher for many people pursuing global health this summer. We will also be having a discussion about important issues in global health. This event was successful in the past. It will be held May 20th in MedEd 200 from 12pm-1pm and lunch will be provided.

Intended Use of Funds
e.g. Arts and Crafts materials for AMWA’s Girls Science Day – face paint, popsicle sticks

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Name of Interest Group: OB/GYN SIG and Global Health SIG

Group Leaders: OB/GYN SIG: Sruthi Sakamuri, Amy Yu, Alexandra Brown, Katie Colelli
Global Health SIG: Liz Cochrane, Amy Schumer, Katherine Wang, Sruthi Sakamuri

Faculty Advisor:
Dr. Anne Dougherty
Dr. Elise Everett
Dr. Mariah MacNamara

Group Contact (Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)
- Name: Sruthi Sakamuri
- Phone Number: 781 363 1161
- Given Box #: 362

Amount requested (Note: Please read the “Purchasing & Reimbursement” rules prior)
$100 total
- $50 from each group for pizza lunch

Have you or do you plan to fundraise?
Fundraising efforts are reserved til the fall due to inability to meet with faculty advisors early enough

Reason for Funding Request (Please be as specific as possible and include a description):
We are planning to host a documentary screening of “A Walk to Beautiful” about obstetric fistulas and OB/GYN care in Ethiopia. We will be having Dr. Dougherty come speak with us about her experiences in OB/GYN care abroad in Tanzania/Uganda as well. This will be 11:30-1pm on June 4th in Med Ed 200. We have the rights of the movie and it is free at the library. We also have the speaker coming from UVM COM faculty.

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Budget Request Form
For Student Interest Groups

Name of Interest Group: OB/GYN SIG

Group Leaders: Sruthi Sakamuri, Amy Yu, Alexandra Brown, Katie Colleli

Faculty Advisor:
Dr. Anne Dougherty
Dr. Elise Everett

Group Contact (Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)
- Name: Sruthi Sakamuri
- Phone Number: 781 363 1161
- Given Box #: 362

Amount requested (Note: Please read the “Purchasing & Reimbursement” rules prior)
$20

Have you or do you plan to fundraise?
We are discussing it with our faculty advisors for the fall

Reason for Funding Request (Please be as specific as possible and include a description):

OB/GYN Brown Bag Lunch Talk this Wednesday May 14th from 12-1pm in MedEd 309.
We will be hosting Dr. Julie Phillips, an OB/GYN attending, who specializes in research about the effects of obesity on pregnancy. She will be giving an introduction to the complications of pregnancy associated with obesity along with introducing relevant research and clinical applications. Snacks will be provided but please bring your own lunch.

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Budget Request Form

For Student Interest Groups

Name of Interest Group: Medical Spanish Interest Group

Group Leaders: Ayse Celebioglu, Eunice Fu, Alejandro Velez

Faculty Advisor: Charles Maclean: Charles.maclean@vtmednet.org

Budgets cannot be funded without an advisor

Group Contact (Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)
- Name: Alejandro Velez
- Phone Number: 207-217-0864
- Given Box #: 446

Amount requested (Note: Please read the “Purchasing & Reimbursement” rules prior)
$349.49

Have you or do you plan to fundraise?
Unfortunately, we will be unable to fundraise before the events take place.

Reason for Funding Request (Please be as specific as possible and include a description):
We will be holding two events prior to the closure of this academic year. The first event will be an educational movie night where we will screen “La Cosecha (The Harvest)” and have an in-depth discussion about the health issues of migrant farm workers, their access to health care, and how the nation’s healthcare system is equipped (or unequipped) to include similar isolated populations. We will be offering a Taco bar-like dinner cooked using Costco purchased groceries. In order to screen this movie we will need a performance license. Later on in June, we will be holding a clinical skills mini-workshop that will include an overview of general cultural considerations regarding the care of Spanish speaking patients. The overview will be followed by several short encounters to integrate and practice clinical skills in Spanish. We would like to provide dinner to the volunteers and the attendees so we have chosen Junior’s catering. Furthermore, we would like to provide each participant with laminated “cheat sheet” like pamphlets that will include the basic English/Spanish HPI, patient/family Hx, ROS and physical exam sentences. This pamphlet is about 8”x3.67” (1/3 of a letter sized sheet of paper).

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Budget Request Form
For Student Interest Groups

Name of Interest Group:
Taste Buddies

Group Leaders:
Jessica Huang & Melanie Ma

Faculty Advisor:
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Karen Richardson
Karen.Richardson-Nassif@uvm.edu

Group Contact (Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)
- Name: Melanie Ma
- Phone Number: 408-218-9077
- Given Box #: 288

Amount requested (Note: Please read the “C:\Users\rsiwelan\AppData\Local\Microsoft\AppData\Local\Microsoft\Windows\Temporary Internet Files\General Information\Budget_Chartstring\Student Council\Purchasing and Reimbursements.pdf” rules prior)
$150

Have you or do you plan to fundraise?
Attendees will be paying half of the cost of the cooking class out-of-pocket

Reason for Funding Request (Please be as specific as possible and include a description):
I would like to offer a cooking class opportunity at Chef Contos, a kitchen store in Shelburne, for interested students. Courtney Contos, the owner of the store, has graciously agreed to offer a discounted rate of $40/person (usually she charges $60/person) to host an 8-person class. With $150 of funding, we would be able to lower the price to $20/person, which is a reasonable price for this type of class. This class would be great for our mental health. It’s also a great way to learn some new cooking skills.

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Budget Request Form
For Student Interest Groups

Name of Interest Group: Integrative Health

Group Leaders: Imelda Muller, Melanie Ma, Margo Seybolt, Olivia Harris

Faculty Advisor: Andrea Fossati
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Group Contact (Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)
- Name: Olivia Harris
- Phone Number: (618) 588-3682
- Given Box #: 142

Amount requested (Note: Please read the "Purchasing & Reimbursement" rules prior)
$175

Have you or do you plan to fundraise?

Not for this event, but we are affiliated with the Laura Mann Center for Integrative Health at Flesher-Allen.

Reason for Funding Request (Please be as specific as possible and include a description):
Lunch (chicken salad from Juniors @ approximately $5 per person) for a chronic pain talk on May 16th.

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**Budget Request Form**

**For Student Interest Groups**

**Name of Interest Group:** Medical Spanish Group and Migrant Worker Health Booklet

**Group Leaders:** Migrant Worker Health Booklet: Alejandro Castro, Prabu Selvam, Kristin Carr  
Medical Spanish: Eunice Fu, Ayse Celebioglu, Alejandro Velez

**Faculty Advisor:** Charles Maclean: Charles.maclean@vtmednet.org

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**Group Contact** *(Please try to have a group member attend the Class Council meeting to answer questions about requested funding)*

- **Name:** Kristin Carr
- **Phone Number:** 760-585-8944
- **Given Box #:** 42

Medical Spanish Group Contact:
- **Name:** Alejandro Velez (Treasurer)
- **Phone Number:** 207-217-0864
- **Given Box:** 446

**Amount requested** *(Note: Please read the “Purchasing & Reimbursement” rules prior):** $150

**Have you or do you plan to fundraise?** Alejandro was thinking of having an envelope for funds collection, presenting to his class, and asking for voluntary donations.

**Reason for Funding Request** *(Please be as specific as possible and include a description):*

To print and bind the 83 page booklet, 26 copies are needed at $8 each. Prabu Selvam just printed 20 copies in India for a total of $150, which will save a substantial amount compared to the original estimate of $1,196. Although we originally planned for the booklets to be distributed with First Aid Kits, we are exploring other funding options. Right now, the priority is printing the booklets.

**Description:**

The Migrant Worker Health Booklet  
A volunteer opportunity to benefit your local community

At the University of Vermont, College of Medicine, several students and faculty have collaborated to create the “Migrant Worker Health Booklet.” It is an 80+ page self-care and triage booklet designed to address the most common and most worrisome chief complaints that may be encountered by migrant workers who have poor access to health care.

At the core of the booklet, are easy-to-follow algorithms that guide medical decision-making and home-care. They were developed based on existing information available through various medical references as well as expert consultations with faculty at the University of Vermont, along with community outreach medical professionals, who reviewed each and every algorithm to ensure the accuracy of our materials. A draft was also presented at the Annual Family Medicine Education Consortium in November, 2013, and several groups in attendance expressed interest in obtaining the booklet.

The booklet will be sent for printing and subsequent distribution to migrant workers will occur via an existing state-wide network of volunteers and health professionals who already work with this community. Medical students will bolster this effort by designing a standardized method for training migrant workers to use this booklet, and will also be involved directly by visiting farms. They will also revisit the farms at two month intervals to determine the frequency of booklet usage and assess the patient outcomes. Encouraging leadership ability in these students will enhance their medical school experience and ensure the longevity of this important project.

The booklet also contains a medication reference page with dosages and estimated over-the-counter costs for items referenced within the algorithms. A major current need is to procure funding for the printing of these booklets and the purchase of the medical supplies to be...
included in the augmented first-aid kits that will accompany each booklet. After expansion of this program to the farms in northern Vermont, the future plan will also encompass the farms in the southern region.

The most updated version of the booklet will always be available at the following webpage, http://healthbookletuvm.blogspot.com/. Those interested can sign up to receive email alerts when new revisions of the booklet are posted.

Sincerely,
The Migrant Worker Health Booklet Team
At the University of Vermont, College of Medicine
UVMhealthbooklet@gmail.com

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NEW STUDENT INTEREST GROUP APPLICATION

Date of Application: 4/3/2014

Name of Group: Medical Ethics Special Interest Group

Officers, list all with their positions/responsibilities/class year:

Asaad Traina; co-leader; facilitating meetings and planning event; first year

Curtis Adams; co-leader; communication with medical students/advertising; first year

Olivia Harris; co-leader; communication with Clinical Ethics Department; first year

Margaret Seybolt; co-leader; planning discussions and applying for funding; first year

Melanie Ma; co-leader; planning events and making announcements; first year

Primary Group Contact Information:
Asaad Traina; (310)259-5430; Asaad.Traina@med.uvm.edu

Faculty Advisor, Department (contact info, email):

Robert Macauley, MD, FAAP, FAAHPM
Medical Director of Clinical Ethics, Fletcher Allen Health Care
Professor of Pediatrics, University of Vermont College of Medicine
111 Colchester Avenue, Smith 266
Burlington, VT 05401
Phone: (802) 847-2000
Email: Robert.Macauley@vtmednet.org

Statement of Purpose (Description of Goals and Objectives of this SIG):

The primary goal of the Medical Ethics SIG is to promote thoughtful discussions on ethical issues in medicine on every level. This includes everything from personal interaction with individual patients to more broad considerations of racial, social, political, and economic impacts on the medical field.

Statement of Operations (Description of Planned Events/Outreach/Anticipated Funding):

We plan to foster discussion on medical ethics through:

1. Participation in weekly Ethics Case Conferences put on by the Clinical Ethics Department at FAHC.
2. Planning student led discussions on topics in medical ethics (e.g. ethics of insurance coverage).
3. Planning events on important and/or controversial issues in medical ethics (e.g. mandating employers to provide insurance coverage for oral contraceptives). Funding may be needed for speaker and/or refreshments at the event.
4. Attending medical ethics conferences such as the Vermont Ethics Network conference coming up on Wednesday April 9th. We would like to apply for funding for registration costs for these conferences. The student registration fee for this particular conference is $65.

Membership Guidelines (what are the requirements to be considered a member of this Student Interest Group):
Demonstrates interest in Medical Ethics and makes an effort to attend and participate in SIG events.

No group or organization can deny consideration for membership to any student because of sex, race, religion, creed, national origin, handicap, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. The Office of Medical Student Education is not responsible for the recruitment of members or the development of group activities. The group is solely responsible for funding and expense issues.

Submitted By: Asaad Traina   Date: 4/3/2014

Please email form to Christina Litsakos (christina.litsakos@med.uvm.edu)
Date of Application: 4/24/2014

Name of Group: Dance SIG

Officers, list all with their positions/responsibilities/class year:
Sruthi Sakamuri – Co-President/Co-Choreographer
Murtaza Bharmal – Co-President/Co-Choreographer

Primary Group Contact Information:
Sruthi Sakamuri – sruthi.sakamuri@med.uvm.edu
Murtaza Bharmal – murtaza.bharmal@med.uvm.edu

Faculty Advisor, Department (contact info, email):
Janice Gallant, M.D.
Associate Dean for Admissions
University of Vermont College of Medicine

Associate Professor of Pediatrics and Radiology
Department of Pediatrics
Department of Radiology

Contact Information
E-mail: Janice.Gallant@uvm.edu
Office Location: Radiology, MFU-Fletcher

Statement of Purpose (Description of Goals and Objectives of this SIG):

The purpose of Dance SIG is three fold, the first is to promote student wellness with a creative outlet for students to express themselves and relax through dance, the second is to explore various forms of dance and choreograph pieces that incorporate all types of dance, and the third is to perform for the community and the hospital to spread the love of dance and enthusiasm for the arts.

Statement of Operations (Description of Planned Events/Outreach/Anticipated Funding):

We plan to perform 2 per semester:
Current plans:
We definitely plan to perform at the Talent Show every year in spring.
We are hoping to have a second performance in the spring in the hospital in the pediatrics ward or potentially in the Burlington community.

Fall semester:
Performance for Orientation/flashmob- we are currently coordinating with Liz and the rest of Orientation staff to find opportunities to coordinate with them.
Performance in the hospital

Fundraising:
Potentially creating some fundraising events for various charities in the community with “dance-a-thon” like events.

Membership Guidelines (what are the requirements to be considered a member of this Student Interest Group):
Members must attend 2 practices and perform once a semester.

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Submitted By: Murtaza Bharmal and Sruthi Sakamuri  

Please email form to Christina Litsakos (christina.litsakos@med.uvm.edu)
Date of Application: 04/05/2014

Name of Group: The Vermont Chapter of the Student National Medical Association (SNMA for short)

Officers, list all with their positions/responsibilities/class year:
Pierre Galea (2017)
Alejandro Velez (2017)

Primary Group Contact Information:
Pierre Galea: 347-281-1024
Alejandro Velez: 207-217-0864

Faculty Advisor, Department (contact info, email):
Dr. Margaret Tandoh: Margaret.tandoh@med.uvm.edu

Statement of Purpose (Description of Goals and Objectives of this SIG):

From the SNMA Headquarters:
The Student National Medical Association is the nation's oldest and largest independent, student-run organization focused on the needs and concerns of medical students of color. Established in 1964 by medical students from Howard University School of Medicine and Meharry Medical College, the membership includes over 6000 medical students, pre-medical students, residents and physicians. The SNMA is committed to increasing the pipeline of students of color that consider and prepare for medical and scientific careers. Its community mentoring programs provide science appreciation and education, mentoring, and academic enrichment to elementary, junior high school, high school and college students interested in pursuing health-related careers. Working through local chapters, SNMA is proud to organize and sponsor local Pipeline programs that directly serve minority students at several levels of education: the Minority Association of Pre-medical Students (MAPS), the Health Professions Recruitment and Exposure Program (HPREP), and the Youth Science Enrichment Program (YSEP). Within medical school, SNMA chapters provide academic preparation and recruitment and retention programming in order to assure the pipeline to medicine is supported.

Community service is indeed at the heart and soul of the SNMA. SNMA is committed to reducing morbidity and mortality in under-served communities. Its programs are primarily focused on educating and empowering local communities to make healthy lifestyle choices. SNMA pilots and implements community service programs - national protocols - that directly serve minority communities through health education and screening programs. Chapters and regions educate both the young and the old through protocols entitled Sexual Health Awareness, Violence Prevention, Tissue and Organ Donation Education and Recruitment Program (TODER), Smoking Prevention/Cessation, and Mental Health: Treatment, Awareness and Prevention. SNMA also hosts Healthy People 2010 Health Fairs that are consistent with the former U.S. Surgeon General's call to action for the 21st century and are targeted to underserved communities and those with limited access to health care.

SNMA also organizes initiatives that educate members about healthcare issues abroad and provides them with opportunities to engage in health care experiences in other nations. Past SNMA medical mission trips have attended the needs of communities in Ghana, Cuba, Jamaica, Ethiopia, and Nigeria.
Finally, SNMA advocates for its members and its communities as it addresses legislative and policy issues that affect medical education, health care delivery, and the health status of underserved communities. Past focus areas include funding for pre-medical recruitment and preparation programs, violence prevention, obesity, universal health care, and affirmative action.

The Vermont Chapter:
In addition to organizing events in-line with the national SNMA chapter’s goals, we aim to be involved with other Diversity and Inclusion groups at UVM. UVM has several groups with specific diversity niches – UVM’s SNMA chapter can be inclusive entity to support cooperation between more focused groups, and provide future healthcare workers with a broader exposure to the needs of underserved communities.

Statement of Operations (Description of Planned Events/Outreach/Anticipated Funding):

Planned Events:
- MAPS-SNMA Mixer: A chance for the undergraduate MAPS members to meet and network with medical school SNMA members. Dinner will be provided.
- SNMA and Diversity and Inclusion Office host a Clinical Simulation: The SNMA and the Diversity and Inclusion office will be hosting an interactive tour of the COM Clinical Simulation lab. Preference will be given to MAPS members.
- Undergraduate Mentoring: SNMA will be organizing an opportunity for COM medical student to mentor one or two UVM undergraduate students interested in applying for medical school. We will be providing contact information and opportunities for the mentors and mentees to meet. The extent of the mentoring experience will be solely left to the discretion of the mentee and the mentor.
- The Spirituality of Doctors Lunch Panel: A small panel of spiritually self-identified doctors will be discussing and answering questions regarding their take of spirituality and it affects their patients and practice. Lunch will be provided.

Outreach:
- Yet to be determined
- Prospects include work with Migrant Worker Population under the guidance of Bridges to Health and high school student mentoring or informational sessions about medical school
- Coordinate with Smile Docs to make a session describing the role of health workers and their impact on overall health. Exposure to the idea of not only treating ones’ own health, but of making an impact on others, possibly by being interested in healthcare as a career somewhere down the line.

Anticipated Funding:
- Most funding will likely be originating from Student Council
- Fundraising will be carried out as needed
- Some funding will be sought out from the national headquarters such as:
  - SNMA Community Service Grant Program
  - Health Policy & Legislative Affairs Grant

Membership Guidelines (what are the requirements to be considered a member of this Student Interest Group):

All members will be offered and encouraged to become an Active Medical Student Members of the national SNMA which is $101.69 for a 4 year membership. Membership benefits include:

Access to Publications
- Journal of the Student National Medical Association (JSNMA)
- President’s newsletter
- MAPS newsletter

Educational Resources
- Academic Clinical Education in Training (ACE-IT) (Active Members)
- Introduction to Clinical Medicine (Active Members)
So You Want to be a Doctor (Associate Members)

Discounts
- Princeton Review (MCAT)
- Scrubs and Lab Coats
- JSNMA and Website Ads
- Car rentals

Scholarships
- Kaplan Board Review
- SNMA Member Scholarships

Become an SNMA Leader
- National Officer on the Board of Directors
- Regional Officer on your Regional Board
- SNMA Chapter Officer

Career and Leadership Training
- National Leadership Institute
- Regional Conferences
- Pre-medical Conferences
- Annual Medical Education Conference

SNMA Programs and Fellowship Opportunities
- Annual community service project
- Satcher Research Fellowships (Pfizer)
- George Dines Fellowships in Health Policy, Pipeline Programs, or Physician Researcher Initiative
- Annual Wilbert C. Jordan, MD, Research Forum
- Community Service Forum Poster Presentations
- International Medical Missions (National Library of Medicine)

Other Benefits
- Loan Consolidation with GL Advisor
- Free membership with the Global Health Council
- Members-only medical specialty interest group listserves

Those not interested in becoming national SNMA members can still plan and participate in events hosted by the local COM SNMA chapter but cannot receive the benefits or participate in the events listed above.

Members of the SNMA must show up to the majority of the scheduled SNMA meetings to remain as an “active” member.

At least one member of the SIG must have a paid active national SNMA membership at all times; this member will preferably hold a leadership role.

Any medical student is invited to join and participate in SNMA hosted events. One does not have to be a person of “color” to be a member of the SNMA.

No group or organization can deny consideration for membership to any student because of sex, race, religion, creed, national origin, handicap, sexual orientation, gender identity, or marital status. The Office of Medical Student Education is not responsible for the recruitment of members or the development of group activities. The group is solely responsible for funding and expense issues.

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