



HOFSTRA NORTH SHORE-LIJ
SCHOOL of MEDICINE
AT HOFSTRA UNIVERSITY™

Change a student's future.

Change the world.

The need for an educational initiative such as the *Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine's*

Medical Scholars Pipeline Program

has never been greater.

The Facts

- Minority participation rates in medical fields have remained relatively stagnant for decades.
- Students from underrepresented minority populations are more likely to aspire to become physicians than they are to be accepted into medical school.
- By providing insight on medical careers to students at an early age and pairing them with mentors from the same ethnic background, the Medical Scholars Pipeline Program increases higher education opportunities for underrepresented minorities in the field of medicine.

Our Ambitions for Change

"The School of Medicine, in a culture of community, scholarship and innovation, is dedicated to inspiring diverse and promising students to lead and transform medicine for the betterment of humanity." The Medical Scholars Pipeline Program aims to increase the number of medical professionals from underrepresented minority groups. Data clearly demonstrate that minorities and women are more likely to work in underserved communities, helping to address the health disparities faced by these areas. They are acutely aware of the need for their services and are eager to make positive changes for future generations. It is our hope that the students who participate in the Medical Scholars Pipeline Program will one day make a difference as doctors in their communities and will continue the legacy of serving as mentors and role models for other young students from those communities.

The Hofstra North Shore-LIJ School of Medicine's Medical Scholars Pipeline Program is a multiyear, four-week summer program for high-achieving students from groups underrepresented in medicine. Each year, 20 rising juniors from local high schools in low income areas enter the first year of the program, which is designed to strengthen their academic skills and prepare them for careers in health care. The Medical Scholars Pipeline Program works collaboratively with the Gateway Institute for Pre-College Education at The City College of The City University of New York to recruit and support minority public school students in their higher education goals and their pursuit of health care careers.

The program exposes students to a wide variety of careers in medicine. Over the four years of the program, Pipeline Scholars become familiar with the scope of the health professions, learn how to design and implement a research study, engage in inpatient and outpatient clinical activities at the North Shore-LIJ Health System, have the opportunity to pursue hands-on research at The Feinstein Institute for Medical Research, and are strongly supported for acceptance into the Northeast Regional Alliance MedPrep Program. Additionally, the students are provided with academic guidance, financial support, and full access to the School of Medicine's library of resources.

You can help.

Running this program, which hosts approximately 80 students per summer, is costly. Various corporate donations have enabled the program to get through its first few years, but as the program annually adds a class, the expenses are mounting, and we need the help of the community to ensure that the program remains viable. *Any amount you are able to give is greatly appreciated and goes a long way in providing funding for our students.*

Create a scholarship.

Creating a scholarship in your name or in the name of someone you wish to remember or honor will sponsor one student's four-year participation in the Medical Scholars Pipeline Program.

Donation to Create a Scholarship: \$5,000

Sponsor a student for one year.

As a sponsor, your donation covers all out-of-pocket costs for one year of a student's participation in the Medical Scholars Pipeline Program, including providing the student with an iPad, a stipend, transportation allowances, CPR/AED training, and a Kaplan (P)SAT preparatory course, and helps defray some of the instructional costs.

Donation for One-Year Sponsorship: \$1,500

**For more information about the Medical Scholars Pipeline Program
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