Multicultural Medical Student Affairs

The Office of Multicultural Medical Student Affairs (OMMSA) serves as the focal point in the recruitment efforts of underrepresented minority students for the School of Medicine. The associate dean and staff of this office provides supportive services to students underrepresented in medicine and serve as a liaison to the Admissions Office. The associate dean serves as a voting member on the Admissions Committee.

Programs for underrepresented students at Emory School of Medicine include:

Emory Revisited Program that invites accepted underrepresented candidates back to the campus for a two day “second look” program in the spring of each year. This program provides a casual but informative opportunity for accepted candidates to interact with faculty, students, and other accepted students. This program is sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Medical Student Affairs with active participation by members of the Emory chapter of the Student National Medical Association. More information about that organization is listed below.

Student National Medical Association (SNMA)

Emory University School of Medicine has a strong and active chapter of the Student National Medical Association, an organization with the goals of increasing the number underrepresented students in the School of Medicine, of increasing the number of physicians serving minority and underserved communities and developing future minority health professionals. Emory SNMA members participate in recruitment day events at local colleges and universities and host candidates interviewing or visiting Emory School of Medicine. The members also work with the Office of Multicultural Medical Students Affairs to sponsor orientation for entering students, provide informal tutoring and academic support, sponsor social events and speakers, and sponsor a big brother/big sister program for entering students. In the Atlanta community, SNMA members talk with high school students interested in medical careers, work with local churches in coordinating health fairs, and volunteer with community organizations. On four occasions the Emory SNMA chapter co-host the SNMA National Convention in Atlanta with Morehouse School of Medicine.

Support Programs

Tutorials and individual counseling are made available when needed for any student experiencing academic or personal situations that might interfere with their academic or personal success.

Pre-Health Advisors Program

Emory University School of Medicine maintains a strong working relationship with pre-health advisors at numerous colleges and universities throughout the country who disseminate information about Emory University School of Medicine and assist in attracting applicants.

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