

# *The Oath of Hippocrates*

As the ancient Greeks swore by their pagan gods,  
so do I solemnly affirm  
that as a student in medicine at Emory University,  
according to my ability and judgment,  
I will keep this oath and stipulation.

I will consider dear to me those who have taught me this art  
and will impart the precepts and instruction of the profession  
to all those who qualify as students of the art  
and agree to the standards of the profession.

I will follow that system of regimen,  
which according to my ability and judgment

I consider for the benefit of my patients,  
and abstain from whatever is deleterious and mischievous.

Into whatever house I enter

I will go into it for the benefit of the sick,  
and will abstain from every voluntary act  
of mischief and corruption.

Whatever in connection with my professional practice  
or not in connection with it,

I see or hear in the lives of men and women  
which ought not be spoken of abroad,

I will not divulge, as reckoning that all such should be kept secret.

While I continue to keep this oath inviolate,  
may it be granted to me to enjoy life and the practice of the art,  
respected by all people in all times,  
but should I trespass and violate this oath  
may the reverse be my lot.



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## *White Coat Ceremony*

*Celebrating the Class of 2024*

*October 17, 2020*

*Virtual Ceremony, 1:00 PM*



“For this is the day you know too little  
    against the day when you will know too much  
For you will be invincible  
    and vulnerable in the same breath  
    which is the breath of your patients  
For their breath is our breathing and our reason...  
  
For there will be days of joy  
For there will be elevators of elation  
    and you will walk triumphantly  
    in purest joy  
    along the halls of the hospital  
    and say Yes to all the dark corners  
    where no one is listening  
For the heart will lead  
For the head will explain  
    but the final common pathway is the heart  
    whatever kingdom may come  
For what matters finally is how the human spirit is spent  
For this is the day of joy  
For this is the morning to rejoice  
For this is the beginning  
    Therefore, let us rejoice  
    *Gaudeamus igitur.*”

Excerpt from “Gaudeamus Igitur” by John Stone, MD  
in “On Doctoring: Stories, Poems, Essays”  
Richard Reynolds, MD and John Stone, MD  
New York, New York,  
Simon & Schuster, 2001 (3<sup>rd</sup> Edition)



## Program

1:00 PM	<b>Musical Prelude</b>
1:05 PM	<b>Welcome</b> <i>Ira K. Schwartz MD</i> Associate Dean of Medical Education  <i>Gregory L. Fenves, PhD</i> President, Emory University
1:20 PM	<b>The Medical School Experience</b> <i>J. William Eley, MD, MPH</i> Executive Associate Dean Medical Education and Student Affairs
1:35 PM	<b>Presentation of the White Coats</b> Faculty of the MD Societies <i>Harvey Society</i> <i>Lister Society</i> <i>Osler Society</i> <i>Semmelweis Society</i>
2:45 PM	<b>Closing Remarks</b> <i>Ira K. Schwartz, MD</i>  <b>Recitation of “The Oath of Hippocrates”</b> <i>J. William Eley, MD, MPH</i>

*Congratulations!*

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