



MONTEFIORE MEDICAL CENTER  
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for the Albert Einstein  
College of Medicine

DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY  
AND SOCIAL MEDICINE



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Dear Applicant:

The Department of Family and Social Medicine at Montefiore Medical Center sponsors a Summer Enrichment & Mentoring Program for Minority students interested in working in the health fields. The Montefiore Health Opportunities Program (Monte-HOP), formerly known as The Maternal & Child Health Summer Mentorship Program, provides 8 to 12 students, high school seniors or college freshman/sophomores, with an opportunity to engage in activities to become familiarized with various health professions.

As a participant in the program you will gain valuable, real-life experiences in primary care and other health fields. You will also be introduced to the concept of Public Health. During the program you will take part in various activities; lectures, professional skill building activities, resume preparation/building, follow physicians during clinic patient care activities, health profession field trips, write a formal health topic paper, present a health project, etc....

Montefiore Medical Center's Residency Program in Social Medicine (RPSM) is one of the nation's oldest programs for training primary care doctors. The RPSM is a collaborative residency-training program that includes three Primary Care Disciplines (Family Medicine, Internal Medicine & Pediatrics). It has created an innovative program to train doctors to provide care in urban underserved, predominantly minority communities. These are communities which require a diverse workforce. As such, this program was implemented to stimulate minority youth interest in a variety of health careers (Medical Doctor, Physical Therapy, Nursing, Public Health, etc...) and to introduce you to the importance of working in underserved communities. You will interact with Physicians from the three Primary Care Specialties, as well as with professionals from various other health fields. Each student will be assigned a mentor for advisement and support during the program and beyond.

If you are interested in applying please contact the Program Manager, Ms. Carol Whittaker, for the application. You can also access the application on the Albert Einstein College of Medicine website ([www.aecom.yu.edu](http://www.aecom.yu.edu) → Academic Depts → Family & Social Medicine → Summer Undergraduate Mentorship Programs → Montefiore Medical Center's Health Opportunities Program, formerly the Maternal Child Health Program, MCH).

You must return the application by the stated deadline and we must receive all supporting materials (essay & two letters of recommendation) for your application to be considered complete. The deadline for submission of the application and supporting materials is April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010. You may email the application and essay to Ms. Whittaker. You will still need to mail or bring 2 passport size photos to Ms. Whittaker. The letters of recommendation can be emailed or mailed. Please note we will be reviewing applications as they are received and filling the positions on a rolling admission. As such, it is important you forward all materials as promptly as possible.

If you have any questions please don't hesitate to contact Ms. Whittaker at (718) 920-4678 or email her at [CWHITTAK@montefiore.org](mailto:CWHITTAK@montefiore.org).

Thank you for your interest in our program. We look forward to receiving your application materials.

Sincerely,

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