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PHYSICIANS IN PITTSBURGH AND PHYSICIAN WORKFORCE
FOR THE MEDICALLY DISADVANTAGED*

*Saturday, September 24, 2011 • 8:30 am to 2:30 pm
Herberman Conference Center, UPMC Shadyside*

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"Closing the Gap"

Background

The Gateway Medical Society and its member physicians are committed to the elimination of health disparities among minority populations. Our 2011 strategic goals include:

- Provide continuing education programs for health professionals
- Facilitate the communication, collaboration and networking among health professionals
- Provide forums for the discussion of issues which aid in the advocacy for health reform and minority health issues
- Increase minority representation in the health care workforce

Objectives

- Identify strategies that will preserve the pipeline of under-represented physicians in our region
- Identify strategies that will preserve the physician workforce for the medically disadvantaged
- Offer a forum for those physician trainees who are committed to closing the gap in the area of racial and ethnic health care disparities to present their scientific work before an audience of peers and mentors
- Identify solutions to the challenges of recruitment and retention of physicians of color from under-represented minority groups in Pittsburgh
- Identify strategies to attract and retain physicians who will work with the medically disadvantaged populations

Who Should Attend

Healthcare professionals from hospitals, health systems, clinics, medical groups and policy makers; Also, anyone with an interest in eliminating health disparities in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

Continuing Education Credit

Accreditation

This activity has been planned and implemented in accordance with the Essential Areas and Policies of the Accreditation Council for Continuing Medical Education (ACCME) through the joint sponsorship of the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine and the Gateway Medical Society. The University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine is accredited by the ACCME to provide continuing medical education for physicians.

Credit Designation

University of Pittsburgh designates this live activity for a maximum 5.0 AMA PRA Category 1 Credit(s)[™]. Physicians should claim only the credit commensurate with the extent of their participation in the activity.

Other health care professionals are awarded 0.5 continuing education units (CEU's) which are equal to 5.0 contact hours.

Registration Information

Registering online is the quickest and easiest way to reserve your space at CCEHS conferences.

There are Two Ways to Register:

For those claiming Continuing Education Credit (Physicians, other health professionals):

- Visit our online registration site at: <https://ccehs.upmc.com/formalCourses.jsp#3249>
- Click the Registration button and enter all the requested information (including an email address) and follow the prompts to submit your registration after entering your payment information.
- Print the automatic electronic registration confirmation email sent to the email address you provided us when you registered. If you do not receive this confirmation, please contact us at (412) 647-8232.

For all others wanting to attend:

Register at www.gatewaymedicalsociety.org or call our office at (412) 281-4086.

The UPMC/Center for Continuing Education in the Health sciences reserves the right to cancel this program if sufficient registrations are not received.

Meeting Location

The conference will be held at the Herberman Conference Center located at UPMC Shadyside, 5150 Centre Avenue, 2nd Floor, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

Parking

Based on availability, conference attendees may park at the Centre Avenue garage.

Special Needs



Participation by all individuals is encouraged. Advance notification of any special needs will help us provide better service. Please notify us of your needs at least two weeks in advance of the program by calling (412) 281-4086.

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The Future of Medicine: Preserving the Pipeline

The Program is Open and Free to the Public

Schedule

7:30 am to 8:30 am **REGISTRATION & CONTINENTAL BREAKFAST**

8:30 to 8:45 am **OPENING REMARKS & OVERVIEW OF THE PROGRAM:**

Christopher Allen, MD and William Simmons, MD

MORNING SESSION I:

8:45 am to 9:45 am **INCREASING THE PIPELINE: SUCCESSFUL EXAMPLES**

- Gateway Medical Society Youth Mentorship Program: Dr. Anita Edwards, Dr. William Simmons
- Medical Explorers Program: Dr. Robert H. Connamacher
- Diversity at the University of Pittsburgh School of Medicine: Update on the Status of Under-Represented Minorities at University of Pittsburgh Medical School, Dr. Chenits Pettigrew

9:45 to 10:00 am: **BREAK**

MORNING SESSION II:

10:00 to 11:45 am: **SUPPORTING THE PIPELINE:
YOUNG PHYSICIAN INVESTIGATORS COMPETITION**

- Three categories: medical students, residents, and fellows.
- One Grand Prize per category of \$1000 (1st place); Prize for 1st runner up is \$500.
- Participants will be pre-selected

11:45 to Noon: **BREAK (Pick up Lunch & Return to Room)**

AFTERNOON SESSION I:

Noon to 1:00 pm: **MAINTAINING THE PIPELINE**

Lunch Presentation: **PREPARING FOR POST TRAINING (Presenters TBD)**

1:00 pm to 2:00 pm: **TOWN HALL**

What are the solutions to the challenges of recruitment and retention of physicians of color from under-represented minority groups in Pittsburgh? What are the solutions to attracting / retaining physicians who will work with the medically disadvantaged populations.

AFTERNOON SESSION II:

2:00 pm to 2:20 pm **AWARDING OF YOUNG INVESTIGATOR PRIZES
FROM THE JUDGES**

2:20 to 2:30 pm: **CLOSING REMARKS & ADJOURNMENT**

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