The Program

The practice of Internal Medicine is very special. The challenge of clinical problems and close involvement with patients and their families facing those problems create a fulfilling professional life. Much of this is missed in hospital rounds, a small part of the story.

To work with a practicing internist whose primary responsibility is patient care gives another perspective to medicine. Over the summer between your first and second years of medical school, we invite you to spend 4 weeks with a specialist in Internal Medicine. The one-on-one relationship between student and physician allows the student to observe the internist’s relationship with his/her patients and their families, colleagues, and community. This is a realistic taste of the world of medical practice.

The preceptors have volunteered their practices for this project. A thorough program evaluation is conducted annually by surveying students and preceptors to continually improve the experience.
INTEREST FORM AND APPLICATION  
2005 SUMMER PRECEPTORSHIP

Name ____________________________________  
Address ___________________________________  
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Phone (               ) ___________________________  
E-mail _________________________________ 
Social Security # ________ - ______ - _________  
Medical School _____________________________  
Class of _____________________________  
Preferred Location                Shore            ______ for                                         North/Central______ Preceptorship                        South/Central______  Available Dates (may be altered on individual basis):  
05/23/05 - 06/17/05   ______  06/20/05 - 07/15/05   ______     07/18/05 - 08/12/05   ______  
If interested, clip this form, attach documentation* from your Dean’s office and send to:  
John Walker, MD, FACP  
Department of Medicine, MEB 408A  
Robert Wood Johnson Medical School  
P.O. Box 19  
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Goals and Objectives

The goal of the summer preceptorship is to provide an educational experience for New Jersey medical students and practicing internists working together.  

The objectives of the program are:  
# To demonstrate the importance of Internal Medicine in the spectrum of medical care.  
# To give students the opportunity to work closely with a practicing internist.  
# To give the practicing internist the opportunity to teach and better understand today’s medical student.  
# To encourage students to select careers in Internal Medicine.  

Selection Criteria:

You must be a first year New Jersey medical student in good academic standing.  

* Your Dean’s office must provide documentation of your matriculant status and professional liability coverage.  

Stipend

A stipend of $800 for four weeks is provided. Payment made in August. 
Students are responsible for providing their own transportation to the practice site. In some cases, accommodations at the hospital where the preceptor has admitting privileges may be available.  
Participating students will be invited to attend the annual NJ Scientific Meeting of the American College of Physicians in early 2006.  

Application

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