Welcome

Dear Friends,

This year, I want to begin by sharing a quote we received recently:

"The AMAF Underrepresented in Medicine scholarship is an incredible blessing. It encourages me to continue the difficult and meaningful work I am committing my life to. It shows me that others in this world care about my success and have a desire to help me achieve my goals. You all have my most heartfelt appreciation. I thank you for investing in my potential, and I thank you for investing in my future."

-Armond Collins, University of Rochester School of Medicine 2019 Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship Recipient

I echo Armond’s appreciation and gratitude for our individual and corporate partner’s investment. By investing in us, you are making a direct investment and impact in the lives of students like him. In 2019, we supported future medical leaders such as Armond through scholarships and our Leadership Development Institute. We provided more community health organizations the opportunity to support at-risk patient populations through our Community Health Programs. We celebrated more outstanding physicians who have committed their lives to the service of others with the Excellence in Medicine Awards.

This report is a celebration. It is a celebration of our friends, recipients, partners, and our community of donors. Because of the support of our donor community, our impact can continue to grow as we forge a path ahead. I personally thank you for supporting our work and taking the time to learn. I also invite you to continue growing with us in 2020 and beyond.

With gratitude,

R. Barkley Payne
Executive Director, AMA Foundation
Made possible by the generosity of individual and corporate donors, our programs bring together physicians, businesses, health care providers, academic institutions and community leaders to help solve our country’s most difficult health care challenges.

**Community Health Program**
Addresses health equity and works to improve health outcomes and sustain the delivery of quality care by forming a cohort of physician led, community-based organizations throughout the country serving at-risk, undeserved populations in preventing and managing type-2 diabetes and hypertension.

**Excellence in Medicine Awards**
Recognizes physicians who exemplify the highest values of volunteerism, community engagement, leadership and dedication to the care of underserved populations.

**LGBTQ Fellowship**
Develops a cadre of physicians to address the specific health care needs of the LGBTQ community and help relieve the current shortage of providers who are knowledgeable and culturally competent in LGBTQ health.

**Leadership Development Institute**
Offers a unique leadership development program that includes a weekend retreat, mentorship pairing and additional networking opportunities for students in their final year of medical school.

**Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarships**
Provides scholarships to a diverse group of medical student leaders committed to serving their communities and improving our nation’s health.
Welcoming our second Leadership Development Institute cohort

The AMA Foundation is pleased to introduce the 2019/2020 Leadership Development Institute class. These nine students are participating in a year-long professional development program designed to prepare them to be future leaders in medicine. We welcomed the following students to Chicago earlier this year to kick-off the year in conjunction with the AMA’s ChangeMedEd program:

Nina Gummadi, Boston University School of Medicine
Caroline Hensley, University of Cincinnati College of Medicine
Tyrone Johnson, University of Chicago Pritzker School of Medicine
Michael Kochis, Harvard Medical School
Patrick Lowe, University of Massachusetts Medical School
Sheyla Medina, Brown University Warren Alpert Medical School
Avani Patel, University of Mississippi School of Medicine
Alexandra Willauer, Texas Tech University, Paul L. Foster School of Medicine
Evan Zhang, University of Massachusetts Medical School

First-year participant, Luis Seija, MD, had this to say about his experience, “This is a program that invests in individuals and their potential, as well as identifies their capacity for leadership within their own communities. This is nurtured through a year-long curriculum that includes mentorship and professional development opportunities such as workshops in interpersonal communication and leadership. Through this I’ve gained a better understanding of my role as a future physician in the service of others.”

Participants are paired with experienced and currently practicing physician leaders to serve as mentors throughout the year. Through monthly meetings and conversations, participants receive personal career consultation and guidance while expanding professional networks. Applications for the 2020-2021 cohort will be available online beginning in April, 2020. If you or someone you know is interested in applying, visit our website to learn more.

The 2019-2020 Leadership Development Institute is made possible, in part, through support provided by the Indiana Honor Fund, Council on Legislation Honor Fund, and:
Giving Back

The AMA Foundation Excellence in Medicine Awards program annually recognizes physicians who exemplify the highest values of volunteerism, community engagement, leadership and dedication to the care of underserved populations. In June 2019, six outstanding physicians were invited to Chicago to be honored at an awards ceremony. The award includes the opportunity to select a health-focused non-profit organization to receive a $2,500 grant honorarium. In 2019 the recipients were:

Pedro J. Greer, Jr., MD, FACP, FACG: Pride in the Profession Award. This award honors physicians who aid underserved populations in the United States.

Maurice Lee, MD, MPH, FAAFP: Dr. Debasish Mridha Spirit of Medicine Award. Made possible by Debasish Mridha, MD. This award recognizes the work of U.S. physicians who demonstrate altruism, compassion, integrity, leadership, and personal sacrifice while providing quality health care to destitute, distressed, or marginalized population in impoverished communities.

Laura Liberman, MD, FACR: Dr. Edmond and Rima Cabbabe Dedication to the Profession Award. Made possible by Edmond Cabbabe, MD and Rima Cabbabe. This award honors physicians who demonstrate active and productive improvement to the profession of medicine through teaching, research, scientific publishing, leadership, uncompensated services and philanthropy.

Robert N. Peck, MD: Dr. Nathan Davis International Award in Medicine. This award honors physicians for outstanding international service in the areas of medical practice, medical education or medical research.

Susan Sordoni, MD: Jack B. McConnell, MD Award for Excellence in Volunteerism. This award honors senior physicians (over 55 years old) who are committed to providing medical care to those without access to health care in the United States.

Richard Allen Williams, MD: Humanitarian Award. This award was created by the AMA Foundation Board of Directors and is selectively awarded to those individuals who have shown a life-long dedication to the service of patients and advancement of equity in health care.

To learn more about the Excellence In Medicine Awards and how you can nominate a peer, click here.

The 2019 Excellence in Medicine Awards program was made possible, in part, through support provided by:
This past June at the AMA House of Delegates Annual Meeting in Chicago, delegates joined forces to support future medical leaders and community organizations in a big way.

Dr. Hugh Vincent, a retired Anesthesiologist and AMA House of Delegate Member, traveled from his home in Mill Valley with a special surprise for those in attendance. During the opening remarks of the AMA Foundation Board President, Dr. Patricia L. Austin, Dr. Vincent approached the microphone unbeknownst to any of his former peers.

A longtime supporter of the AMA Foundation, Dr. Vincent started by saying, "When we take from the well, we have an obligation to replace that well. And there is no well for me that had more importance in my life, that shaped my career and shaped my life then the well of education." He went on to share that medical students are coming out of school with unbelievable amounts of debt, presenting insurmountable challenges, so it is easy for him to pay it forward through his contributions to the H. Hugh Vincent, MD Family Fund.

However, he wanted to do more. Dr. Vincent announced that he came to the meeting to personally challenge the house and match every donation made during the meeting, dollar-for-dollar, up to $175,000. He was greeted with a resounding standing ovation.

What happened next was unprecedented. The challenge was so effective that Dr. Vincent increased his matching gift challenge to a total of $190,000. Not only did attendees exceed his extended challenge, they surpassed it and raised nearly $500,000 to support medical students and community health programs nationwide.

Dr. Vincent summed up the experience in a short phrase: "It was a magical moment."
New $10,000 scholarship made possible by Illinois physicians

The AMA Foundation will have a new addition to the Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship portfolio: the Illinois Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship. For the last several years, a group of 14 doctors and spouses, led by long-time Illinois family physician Dr. William Kobler, past AMA Foundation Board President and current member of the AMA Board of Trustees, have been working to raise enough donations to fully endow one of the AMA Foundation's $10,000 scholarships to support an Illinois-based medical student.

This past June, the Illinois Honor Fund passed the $250,000 threshold to qualify as a separate, named scholarship in the program, which included a generous contribution from the Illinois State Medical Society Alliance. The passion and dedication of the core group – the Founding Donors – to the Illinois Honor Fund, is energizing. “It is so rewarding to work with donors who care so much about giving back,” says Sandi Smith, Director of Advancement at the AMA Foundation. “It was a pleasure to facilitate the discussion on the nuts and bolts creating the scholarship, as well as all of the fundraising initiatives along the way.”

The criteria for the scholarship is simple: applicants must be a resident of Illinois with expressed plans to practice medicine in Illinois after residency, as well as meet the general application requirements. The Physicians of Tomorrow Program awards $10,000 scholarships to rising final-year medical students at institutions across the country. The current round of applications is live, and this group of physicians is eager to select their first recipient in 2020.

“On behalf of the founding donors,” says Dr. Kobler, “it is an honor and privilege to announce the Illinois Physicians of Tomorrow Scholarship. I want to convey a big Thank You to all who contributed to make this possible, but especially the founding donors for their exceptional generosity. We are honored to “Give Back, Pay It Forward’ through this scholarship!”

For more information on any of the AMA Foundation’s scholarships or to apply, click here.
As of June 30, 2019, the following individual donors are part of the Nathan Davis Society by generously donating over $100,000 in their lifetime.

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I give because it serves as one of the best leadership efforts for those of us who believe in organized medicine. - Jeremy A. Lazarus, MD

I give because it shows investment in potential. - Ishan Asokan, MD
I give because the Foundation's programs honor the past, support the present, and encourage the future.

– Sarah Sanders, PharmD
Financial statement for fiscal year ending June 30, 2019

Fundraising Revenue
$2,440,493

Scholarships & Grants Awarded:
$528,527

Grants & Educational Program Expenses
$988,985

Administrative Expenses
$788,457

Total Expenses
$3,153,201

*Total Revenue
$3,548,418

Total Net Assets
$26,108,766

Our is to bring together physicians and communities to improve our nation’s health.

*You can view additional financial documents on our website by clicking here.
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