

# MINORITY SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM



## From Previous Scholars

*"This program helped me to get a sense of what academic medicine is...and what it is like to train at a large children's hospital....[I realized] that I want to do residency at an academic center. "*

*"...I believe that MSSP gave me an opportunity to become a more competitive...candidate for a residency...through the strong mentorship provided by their faculty members and residents. "*

*"From my experience...I have gained more confidence in my abilities to excel in other rotations...This experience has broadened my horizon in the sense that I am more receptive to the countless possibilities for a career in pediatrics, not only in terms of different [subspecialty] choices but other way to influence...pediatrics."*

## Why Minority Senior Scholarship Program (MSSP)?

Physician racial and ethnic diversity is an important method of addressing child health disparities, cultural sensitivity, and institutional excellence.

MSSP addresses this need through early exposure of senior medical students from groups underrepresented in medicine (URM) to careers in academic pediatrics. We aim to support students in enhancing and achieving their visions for their careers.

MSSP is focused on enhancing provider diversity of the following groups based on U.S. and local population demographics: Black/African-American; Asian of Filipino, Hmong or Vietnamese descent only; Hispanic/Latino; Native American/Alaska Native, and Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander.



## About Our Program

Students from URM backgrounds from around the country join us for a month of career-building opportunities including:

- Immersion in a pediatric clinical experience
- Special sessions preparing students to address their career goals
- Faculty and resident mentors
- Networking

A stipend is offered to offset the cost of travel and housing, and the elective fee for students from unaffiliated institutions is waived.

## How to apply?

Visit our [website](#) for more details or go directly to our [online application](#). Applications will open February 14, 2020 are due by April 30, 2020.

Applicants must be in good standing at an LCME accredited medical school and have completed core clinical clerkships with passing grades by the start of MSSP.

## About Us

Children's National is a quaternary care, free-standing children's hospital in the nation's capital serving Washington, DC, the surrounding area, and many international patients.

Our pediatric residency program provides world-class training to over 100 residents each year with diverse backgrounds, interests, and career goals. We are proud of our track record of educational innovation and community involvement.

## For more information

### VISIT

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## Program Leadership

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