CODE OF PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT

VOTE APRIL 12-14

The student-initiated Code of Professional Conduct (CPC) is in its final stages and awaits your vote during the second week of April.

The CPC “... is not designed to dictate behavior, but rather establishes a set of minimum expectations. In addition, it provides a framework by which the medical community can try to correct breaches of conduct in order to maintain the integrity of our profession.” If the Code is passed, it will be sent to all accepted students and then be maintained by an elected CPC Committee.

The CPC Committee began their work in earnest this past fall and consists of students from the classes of

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On March 16 the Class of 2000 received the results of the National Residency Matching Program; our students fared very well as they competed for 124 of the 20,598 slots. Sixty-percent of our students received their first choice residency placement while 10% and 12% were placed in their second and third choices, respectively. (Information regards NRMP PGY1 only).

The total applicant pool consisted of 33,528 national and international medical students and professionals. The breakdown is as follows:

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Nearly a third of our graduating class will participate in residencies across Western New York while 18% will complete them in other areas of the state. Just over half (52%) will go outside New York. In addition, 58% of our students will be in a Primary Care residency (includes OB/GYN).

The results of the “Early Match” were equally noteworthy:

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A complete Match List is available in the OME.
Minority Student Update
The Office of Minority Affairs would like to announce the following:

The UB School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences will sponsor its First Annual Minority Reunion, "Coming Together in the New Millennium" at the University Inn during the weekend of April 7-9.

UB Minority Medical students have been invited to participate in round table discussions, the keynote address and a luncheon on Saturday, April 8. Please contact Dr. Carolyn Hamilton for more information at 829-2802.

OME Forms Now On-Line

Please visit our curriculum page at www.smbs.buffalo.edu/ome/curricul.htm to access widely used forms that are now available on-line.

You can find:

♦ Drop/Add Form
♦ Out of Town Elective Form
♦ Medical Student/Family Data Change Form

A change of address request can now be submitted on-line from the same web site. To authenticate the request you need to provide your social security number and person number (found on your SUNY Card).

The new Course Book for 2000-'01 can also be found at the above address.

Class of 2000:
Reminder: All graduating students who have received some form of financial aid need to attend a mandatory Financial Aid Exit Program on Thursday, April 27 at 4:30pm in 146 Diefendorf.

The Yearbook Committee has been working diligently to assemble a great IRIS to capture your UB memories. After graduation, please keep the Alumni Office updated with your address so your yearbook can mailed to the appropriate place in the fall. Contact the Alumni Office at 829-2778.

We look forward to seeing you at Commencement on Friday, May 19. CONGRATULATIONS!

Class of 2001:
Please be certain to submit your CV to Dr. Nadler by June 1 in order to arrange your Dean's Letter appointment. Appointments will take place from early July through September. The universal date for the release of Deans' Letters is November 1.

Please see page 3 for dates and details regarding the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS).

Class of 2002:
Orientation to Year III will take place for your class on Monday, August 14 and rotations will begin later that day.

Information about USMLE preparation is available in the OME. GOOD LUCK ON THE BOARDS!

Class of 2003:
Please attend the special Career Planning Session being held for your class on Thursday, April 13 from 12:00-1:00pm in Butler.

Orientation to Year II will take place for you on Monday, August 14 and classes will begin later that day. Please keep the OME updated with your summer address.
**FINAL EXAM SCHEDULE FOR YEARS I & II**

**Spring 2000**

**Year I**
- May 1: CPM Clinical Competency (1/2 class)
- May 2: Human Behavior
- May 3: CPM Written (entire class)
- May 8: CPM Clinical Competency (1/2 class)
- May 10: Neuroscience
- May 15: Biochemistry
- May 17: GI Physiology
- May 19: Endocrinology

**Year II**
- May 1-5: CPM Clinical Competency (1/2 class) See Dr. Baer for exact date
- May 6: CPM Clinical Competency (1/2 class)
- May 8: Psychiatry
- May 9: Pathology
- May 10: Study Day
- May 11: Pharmacology
- May 12: CPM Written Exam

*Information is correct at time of print and subject to change. Please contact your Course Coordinator for exam time and location.*

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**ERAS Dates and Details**

**Class of 2001**

Starting **July 15**, the ERAS site will open for registration. You will receive in advance a "token id" and password to enter the system. Once you’re registered you will have the ability to begin working on your applications.

On **August 15** the ERAS Post Office will officially open and you can start sending completed applications.

To gather information about residency programs, be sure to visit the IRIS [www.i-r-i-s.com](http://www.i-r-i-s.com) and Freida [www.ama-assn.org/cgi-bin/freida/freida.cgi](http://www.ama-assn.org/cgi-bin/freida/freida.cgi) web sites. They can be accessed from AAMC’s MedCAREERS site [www.aamc.org/medcareers/implementation/timeline.html](http://www.aamc.org/medcareers/implementation/timeline.html). The MedCAREERS site also provides information about CV's, interview techniques and more.

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**Your Good News**

**Birth Announcements**

**Jeffrey Lawrence Amodeo Jr.** was born March 27. He’s the son of Jeffrey Lawrence Amodeo Sr., Class of ’00, and Nicole.

**Evelyn Maria Calvo,** born March 3, is the daughter of Bill Calvo, Class of ’02, and Rebecca, UB’s South Campus Minister. The proud parents have built a web site, complete with pictures, in her honor at www.acsu.buffalo.edu/~rcalvo.

**Carlos James Reyes** was born on February 21, at MFS to Lisa Reyes, Class of ’00, and Sam, MD/PHD candidate.

**Makayla Rae Thompson** is the new baby girl of Terry Thompson, Class of ’01, and Melissa. She was born on January 16 at MFS with the help of classmate Sarina Bax De Biaso who was on her OB/GYN rotation under the guidance of Dr. Metchler. Daniel, age 6, is a very excited big brother.

**On the way...**

Phaelon Silva, Class of ’00 and wife, Karin, are expecting a baby in October. We’ll keep you posted on the baby’s arrival!

**Wedding Bells are ringing for...**

Lucia Patrone, Class of ’03, will be getting married on May 27, 2000 to Peter M. Gullo at St. Margaret’s Church. Their reception will be at Salvatore’s followed by a honeymoon in St. Lucia.

**CONGRATULATIONS**

to Charmaine Gregory, Class of ’01, and Margo McKenna, Class of ’02, who were both selected for the prestigious Howard Hughes Medical Institute-NIH Research Scholars Program for the 2000-’01 academic year.
Tutoring and Mentoring Services

Please visit the OME to receive a listing of tutoring and mentoring services available to medical students.

One popular tutoring service is the student-run Buffalo Medical Tutorial Group located at 133 Sherman Hall. Their spring hours are:

**Monday: 4-6 pm**
- Neuro: Emily
- Physiology: Kyle
- Biochemistry: Adam

**Tuesday: 4-6 pm**
- Physiology + Biochemistry: Anthony
- Physiology: Brian
- Neuro: Alvina

**Wednesday:**
- 5:30-7:30 pm
  - Neuro: Garrick
  - Biochemistry: Julie T
- 7:30-9:30 pm
  - Physiology: Chris M
  - Neuro: Alex L.

**Thursday: 4-6 pm**
- Physiology: Chris L.
- Biochemistry: Vicky
- Physiology: Jerry

$ Extended Financial Aid Hours $

Extended hours for medical students will take place in April on the 11th and 25th from 5:30-7:30 p.m. Please call 829-3724 in advance for an appointment.

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Ride for Roswell

Saturday, June 24

The "Ride for Roswell" is a bicycle-riding, fundraising event to benefit cancer research and patient care at Roswell. The start, finish and picnic are held at the UB Amherst Campus' Baird Point.

You can choose an all-new 100-mile route or other pre-set routes ranging from 9.0-62.5 miles. Participate individually or as a team by calling 845-8846 or visit: www.ride4roswell.org.

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AOA Initiates New Members

On March 23, the Buffalo Chapter of Alpha Omega Alpha initiated 21 seniors and 5 juniors at its Annual Meeting at the School of Medicine and Biomedical Sciences. AOA is the only National Medical Honor Society in the world. Its overall purpose is to support academic excellence and perpetuate excellence in the Medical Profession.

AOA sponsors academic and non-academic medical student activities including Summer Research Fellowships. At the annual meeting, special recognition was also given to Hana Choe and Suzie Ariyaratana for their work in helping to organize the student referral program, Students Offering Support (SOS).

For more information about AOA, including criteria for nomination, contact Dr. Schimpfhauser, Councillor for the local chapter, in the OME.

**Students inducted include:**

**Class of 2000**
- Dorothy Adler
- Anthony Caprio
- Thomas Caprio
- Daniel Carl
- Leslie Chamberlain
- James Chevalier
- Christopher DiMaio
- Suma Gona
- Madhuri Guntpalli
- Alisa Huston
- Adriana Kaczaraj
- Hey-Joo Kang
- Justin Kwan
- Jennifer Lee
- Jennifer Lin
- Michael Logue
- David Rice
- Britta Svoren
- Felicia Tenedios
- Amy VanDeWater
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- Britta Svoren
- Felicia Tenedios
- Amy VanDeWater
- Eric Waffner

**Class of 2001**
- Christopher Adams
- Aaron Guyer
- Kevin Mollen
- Kilian Salerno
- Marina Zayelman
Your Polity Executive Board can be easily contacted at their new email address! If you ever have any concerns, comments, suggestions, problems, or anything of the sort, blitz a message to all four people at once:

**smbs-polity@buffalo.edu**

*President, James Boyle*
*Vice President, Howard Hao*
*Treasurer, Valerie Marchi*
*Secretary, Aaron Olden*

**CHECK YOUR E-MAIL!!!**

Since e-mail is such a relied upon form of communication, the Executive Board requests that ALL students (Years 1-4) check e-mail on a regular basis for important announcements! We need to rely on this medium to "reach the masses."

- **Alex Volfson**, Class of 2002, has been selected as the AAMC-OSR Representative through the 2000-'01 academic year. The Organization of Student Representatives is the student branch of the Association of American Medical Colleges. As a representative of the entire medical student body at UB, he will communicate your opinions to the national officers and he’ll bring priorities and objectives from the national level to UB. **Sasha Pavlov-Shapiro**, will serve as an "apprentice" in his role as Junior/Alternate OSR Rep.

**Our Student Lounge**

Here are some updates on the lounge-
- A new card swipe system will be installed shortly compliments of the Parents’ Council. Bring your SUNY card to gain access.
- Final cooling renovations are currently underway.
- A new antenna for television was recently installed.

**UB’s Living Well Center**

*Did you know?*

UB has a Center dedicated exclusively to wellness. The Living Well Center is located in Room 223 of the Student Union on the North Campus. Their mission is to "...foster an environment in which personal growth, healthy choices and positive community values are encouraged." Use of the LWC is free to students. Some of their services include:

- Resource Center and Prevention Library
- Educational Services
- Relaxation Station
- Nutrition Counseling
- Alcohol/Drug Consultation

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2002 and 2003 along with Dr. Chuck Severin serving as an ad hoc member. Student members include:

- Beth Domaracki
- Mike Hrycelak
- Carl "Chris" Reynolds
- Grace Lin
- Liz Bourke
- Dave Flint
- Chris Foresto
- Adam Lesser

The Committee embarked on their task by gathering copies of codes from medical schools across the country. Then they adapted a proposed code for our school and held open forums for students to provide input and suggested modifications.

A specially tailored web site, available to students and faculty, has allowed open communication regarding the Code and provides the opportunity for viewers to comment on each section. Over 30 student web-based responses were received and revisions to the Code reflect those comments.

Please cast your vote via computer from April 12 - 14th. The medical computing center will provide terminals with open windows to the voting page to facilitate the process. The code will pass with a two-thirds majority of the votes received.

A copy of the updated Code is accessible from the School's homepage, [http://www.smbs.buffalo.edu/](http://www.smbs.buffalo.edu/)
**Career Planning Tools**

The AAMC’s MedCAREERS web site, [www.aamc.org/medcareers/](http://www.aamc.org/medcareers/), is an excellent resource as you go through the career planning stages of:

1) self-assessment  
2) career exploration  
3) decision making  
4) implementation

They have links to web sites that provide excellent career guidance both generally and specifically targeted to the medical profession. They also have a specialty organizations list with names of associations organized by specialty area to help you gain contacts and information.

One tool the MedCAREERS program suggests to assist with the self-assessment stage is the Myers Briggs Type Indicator (MBTI). The OME has worked closely with the Office of Career Planning and Placement and we now have the MBTI available to you on our campus. You can sign-out the MBTI test booklet from the OME for 48 hours. Once you return the booklet and answer sheet, we will send out the instrument to be evaluated. The cost to you is $15 in the form of a check. Please see Debbie Stamm in the OME to sign out the materials or for more information about the inventory.

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**Upcoming Student -Organized Events**

**AMSA:**

**Residency Fair**  
Saturday, April 15 from 10:00 am - 2:00 pm  
Harriman Hall, UB South Campus

There will be lots of schools from NY, Pennsylvania, and throughout the northeast. This is a great way for students in the first through third years to explore residency programs. Third years are in a position to make a personal contact with a program, while first and second years can use this as an opportunity to learn about different programs and different specialties. It is totally free to students and there’s no need to sign up in advance. Students from Rochester and Syracuse will also attend.

**History of Medicine Club:**  
**When did Modern Medicine Begin?**  
Thursday, April 27 at 6:00pm  
Dinner and Presentation at Fanny’s Restaurant

Presented by Dr. Gert H. Brieger, MD, PhD, MPH. Dr. Brieger is the William H. Welch Professor and Chair of the History of Medicine Department at the Johns Hopkins School of Medicine and Co-Editor of the Bulletin of the History of Medicine. The cost, which includes a full dinner, is $15 for medical students and $40 for physicians, faculty, and family members. Please contact Alex Volfson at 564-0827 to reserve a seat.

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**Caring for Community**

The AAMC and Pfizer Medical Humanities Initiative just began a special program called “Caring for Community.”

It is an institutional grant program designed to encourage medical students to develop services and programs for their local community with awards ranging from $2,000 to $15,000. Awards will be distributed on a sliding scale for up to four years.

As part of the program, medical schools are eligible to receive support for community oriented service projects in which they explore new ways to serve their local communities. The unique feature of Caring for Community program is its focus on projects initiated, developed, and run primarily by medical students. Supplemental grants will be awarded to support existing community service programs originated and run by students.

Two award cycles will be conducted in each calendar year with awards announced in March and August. In order to conduct an initial award cycle this spring, proposals will be due no later than **APRIL 30, 2000**. Applications for the second cycle of 2000 will be accepted starting **JUNE 30**.

Grant application materials may be obtained by contacting Robert L. Beran, Ph.D. by phone at (202) 828-0250, fax (202) 828-1125, or e-mail rberan@aamc.org.

The OME has brochures that explain the program in more detail.

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**AMWA Foundation**

Please see the OME Bulletin Board for information on awards available from the American Medical Women’s Association Foundation. Awards include:

- Carroll L. Birch Award  
- Janet M. Glasgow Essay Award  
- Medical Education Loans
Counseling Services for Medical Students

We've compiled a listing of counseling services currently available to you. We're aware from student feedback that accessing these services is sometimes difficult due to location, financial constraints, and long waiting periods for an appointment or referral.

Please know that the OME is exploring ways to improve the resources available to you. In the meantime, please let us know if you have any suggestions or need assistance.

University Counseling Services (North Campus):
645-2720, 120 Richmond Quad, Ellicott Complex
Services are free, voluntary and confidential.
Counseling services are provided by psychologists; a consulting psychiatrist is available as needed.

Student Health Services (South Campus):
Dr. Bakhai is on the south campus in Michael Hall on Mondays from 3-5pm. Call the Student Counseling Center (see above) to arrange an appointment. A social worker is available at 829-2789.

Referral from Psychiatry Department:
898-3251, ECMC
The Office of Psychiatry at ECMC will provide the names of psychologists and psychiatrists who have dealt with medical students previously. Many psychiatry attendings and Human Behavior preceptors are willing to make recommendations. Most of the referred services are not free.

Students Offering Support (S.O.S.):
(Beeper) 369-4712/5179
Beeper service from 4:00 pm-1:00 am, 7-days a week while medical school is in session. Trained medical students staff the beepers and provide advice about academic & student life and can provide referrals.

EMERGENCIES - 24 Hour Services
ECMC - Comprehensive Psychiatric Emergency Program (CPEP):
898-3465/3466/3389
This service is available 24 hours a day for psychiatric emergencies.

Buffalo General Emergency Mental Health:
859-7190
This service is available 24 hours a day for hospitalization.

Crisis Services Counseling:
834-3131, 2969 Main Street (corner of Hertel)
This 24-hour telephone counseling service has an excellent referral system for all types of needs. There's an Advocate Program that provides a support group for victims of rape. It's a government-run service, has no university affiliation and is totally confidential.

Roswell Park Cancer Institute – Medical Student Fellowships in Anatomical Pathology
This program runs from July 2000-June 2001 and provides two students the opportunity to extend their knowledge of pathology in a working fellowship arrangement, while also offering the opportunity to engage in research and independent study. The stipend is $15,000 and application information is available by calling 845-7700. Application materials must be submitted by late April.

Stanley M. Kaplan - Medical Student Essay Contest
The University of Cincinnati Department of Psychiatry on behalf of S.M.K. is calling for student entries including topical essays, case reports, review articles, or original research that was conducted in medical school for which the student was the first author. Three prizes will be awarded ranging from $250-$500. Entries must be postmarked by June 16, 2000.

NYS Academy of Family Physicians - Medical Student Scholarships
The New York State Academy of Family Physicians has created two $1,000 scholarships for first-year medical students who have selected family practice as their specialty. For more information contact Janell Lundgren, President of the Family Medicine Interest Group. Applications are due by May 15, 2000.

The American Academy of Neurological and Orthopaedic Surgeons
[www.aanos.org/research_scholarship.html]
The AANOS is sponsoring a $3000 scholarship which will be awarded to a fourth year medical student or a resident in the fields of Neurological or Orthopaedic Surgery. The deadline is April 28, 2000.

Blood Drive Success
The American Red Cross conducted a blood drive on campus in early February and it was a great success! We exceeded the goal of 25 donations with a record number of 40 donations. Five participants were first time donors and our school-wide effort will benefit up to 120 area patients.

Writing Competitions, Fellowship Awards & Scholarships
The OME has more information available on the following:

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