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EDUCATION

University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey School of Osteopathic Medicine,
Stratford, NJ
Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine, expected May 2008

Rutgers University
Rutgers College, New Brunswick, NJ
Bachelor of Science, high honors, May 2004
Majors: Cell Biology & Neuroscience; Minor: Psychiatry

CERTIFICATIONS

National Board of Osteopathic Medical Examiners
COMLEX I, March 2007, Pass

New Jersey Area Health Education Centers
Principles and Practices of Interdisciplinary Healthcare Delivery
and Cultural Competency, 2007

American Heart Association
Basic Life Support for Healthcare Provider, 2004-2007

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 2005 **National Youth Leadership Forum on Medicine,**
Villanova University, Philadelphia, PA
Faculty Advisor
Empowered outstanding high school students with confidence to make well-informed career choice. Facilitated conference educational curricula, interacted with and supervised young students, led medical ethics debates and facilitated group discussions, and served as a role model for young students interested in pursuing a future in medicine.
- 2004- Present **University of Medicine and Dentistry of New Jersey**
Health Sciences Library, Stratford, NJ
Circulation
Manage front circulation desk, provide science research assistance, answer telephone inquiries, and check-out medical books, tapes, and videos.
- 2002- Present **Wedding Design, Iselin, NJ**
Manager and Designer
Design event decor for weddings and receptions. Organize and coordinate fabrics, flowers, and wedding structure presentations. Utilize this position as a means for stress relief and as an outlet for artistic expression.

COMMUNITY SERVICE

- 2007 **Camden County Seniors Health Fair, Voorhees, NJ**
Provided blood pressure screening for the senior community as a part of the Emergency Medicine Club Chapter at UMDNJ-SOM. Promoted the *Vial of Life* campaign that encourages patients to keep a list of their medication within a medicine bottle for easy access in the event of an emergency.
- 2007 **Genesis ElderCare, Millville, NJ**
Worked with staff of Genesis through Garden Area Health Education Center to deliver interdisciplinary care to patients through physical therapy, occupational therapy, and group work-shops. Attended Medicare planning meetings and health related lectures.
- 2006 **BAPS Care International Bone Marrow Drive, Cherry Hill, NJ**
Participated in an effort to raise awareness regarding the need for South Asians to register within the national bone marrow registry.
- 2006 **Charities Health Fair, Cherry Hill, NJ**
Triage patients before they were seen by a primary care physician, conducted physical examinations on adults and children, and assisted with phlebotomy. Donations were given to the Charities' Katrina Relief Fund.
- 2005 **Philadelphia Heart Walk, Philadelphia, PA**
Initiated raising \$500 in donations for heart disease research and assembled team to participate in the Heart Walk.
- 2005 **Tsunami Relief Effort, Stratford, NJ**
Participated in an effort to raise donations for the victims of the 2004 Indian Ocean earthquake. Collaborated with the UMDNJ-SOM chapter of the American Association of Physician Indians to host a bake sale in order to encourage relief contributions.
- 2005 **UMDNJ-SOM Student Run Camden Saturday Health Clinic, Camden, NJ**
Provided free urgent, comprehensive care and health education for the underserved community of Camden.
- 2004 **Community Outreach Project, Cherry Hill, NJ**
Coordinated the development of a tri-fold pamphlet to educate the community regarding what entails a healthy diet and nutrition. Information was presented to local senior groups.

RESEARCH

- 2003-2004 **Henry Rutgers Senior Thesis, Department of Cell Biology and Neuroscience**
Henry Rutgers Scholar
Investigated Biological effects of phytochemicals on eukaryotic cells. Presented power point presentation and oral defense to thesis committee.
- 2002 **Rutgers University Department of Alcohol Studies**
Research Assistant
Investigated the neuroendocrine responses to acute and chronic stressors, the effects of alcohol on the central nervous system (CNS) in laboratory rats, and the effects of stress on the consumption of alcohol in laboratory rats. Conducted membrane binding assays and blood and tissue protein assays.

LEADERSHIP

- 2005-2006 **UMDNJ-SOM Class of 2008 Student Counsel**
Honor Code Representative
Appointed by the student body to ensure that the rules and regulations as set forth by the student handbook were upheld. Served as a facilitator and counselor when intervention was deemed necessary. Served as a liaison between the students and the Dean if a particular case presented as irresolvable.
- 2005-2006 **American Cardiology Society, UMDNJ-SOM Chapter**
Treasurer
Promoted interest and education in cardiac medicine to the student body. Arranged speakers, workshops and community service events to raise awareness regarding heart disease among the local community.
- 2004-2005 **American Association of Physician Indians, UMDNJ-SOM Chapter** *First Year Representative*
Provided forum to facilitate and enable Indian American physicians to excel in patient care. Encouraged academic and social support, community involvement, and sensitization of medical students to the needs and concerns of the South Asian community.
- 2001-2004 **Rutgers University Community Cares**
Minority Bone Marrow Director
Vice President
Coordinated, advertised, and directed university wide efforts to raise awareness for the need of minorities to register within the National Bone Marrow Registry. Annual drive campaigns registered over 1,100 students.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS

American Osteopathic Association
New Jersey Association of Osteopathic Physicians and Surgeons
American College of Osteopathic Internists
American College of Osteopathic Emergency Physicians
South Asian Marrow Association of Recruiters American Association of Physician
Indians UMDNJ-SOM Cardiology Club
UMDNJ- Student National Medical Association

SPECIAL SKILLS

Proficient in conversational Gujarati