The Ninth Biennial
Biomedical Science Careers
Student Conference
Sponsored by the Biomedical Science Careers Program

The Boston Park Plaza Hotel
Friday, April 4 and Saturday, April 5, 2008

For Postdoctoral Fellows; Medical, Dental, and Graduate Students;
Post-Baccalaureates; College and Community College Students;
and High School Seniors and Juniors

PURPOSE OF CONFERENCE

There are two objectives of the Biomedical Science Careers Student Conference. The primary objective is to provide approximately 700 African-American, Hispanic, and American Indian/Alaska Native students with an opportunity to network with advisors/role models from the basic and clinical sciences, medicine, public health, academic administration, and the private sector. These advisors/role models encourage students to complete advanced studies and provide concrete advice and information on available resources, professional opportunities, and career paths in biomedical science fields. The second objective is to enable student participants to meet, inspire, and network with one another.

Student participants should be seriously interested in or currently studying in biomedical, biotechnology, and science-related fields, such as medicine, chemistry, physics, biology, nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, biomedical engineering, biotechnology, physical therapy, public health, allied health, or environmental science.

PRELIMINARY AGENDA

- Plenary Sessions
- Keynote Speakers
- Meetings with Advisors
- Workshops and Panel Discussions for Each Academic Level
- Resource Room
- Networking

There is no registration fee for this program.
Deadline for registration: February, 25 2008

To obtain an application form or for further information, please forward current postal mailing address to: fahri.ercem@hms.harvard.edu
TENTATIVE AGENDA

Friday, April 4, 2008
For Postdoctoral Fellows; Medical, Dental, and Graduate Students;
Post-Baccalaureates; College and Community College Students

6:00 pm – 6:30 pm   Registration and Networking
6:30 pm – 7:30 pm   PLENARY SESSION AND DINNER
   Keynote Speaker:  Henri A. Termeer
   Chairman, Chief Executive Officer, and President
   Genzyme Corporation

7:30 pm – 7:45 pm   BREAK
7:45 pm – 9:15 pm   WORKSHOPS
   A.   An Interactive Discussion
        "What's Next: Options after Graduate School"   Post-Docs and Graduate Students
   B.   Approaching Residency Selection and Interviews   Medical Students
   C.   "Welcome to the Land of Muckity Muckdom"   College and Community College Students
   D.   Technology in Science and Medicine   All Academic Levels
   E.   How to Write an Abstract and Present a Poster   All Academic Levels

Saturday, April 5, 2008
For Postdoctoral Fellows; Medical, Dental, and Graduate Students; Post-Baccalaureates;
College and Community College Students, and High School Seniors and Juniors

7:00 am – 7:15 am   High School Registration
7:15 am – 8:30 am   High School Orientation
7:30 am – 8:30 am   General Registration - Continental Breakfast
8:00 am – 9:00 am   Students Meet with Advisors
9:00 am – 9:10 am   OPENING SESSION
   Welcome:  Joan Y. Reede, M.D., M.P.H., M.S.
9:10 am – 9:35 am   PLENARY SESSION
   Keynote Speaker:  Danny O. Jacobs, M.D., M.P.H.
   The David C. Sabiston, Jr. Professor
   Chair, Department of Surgery
   Duke University School of Medicine
   Surgeon-in-Chief
   Duke University Hospital

9:35 am – 9:50 am   BREAK
9:50 am – 11:00 am DISCUSSION GROUPS: Constructing Your Career Agenda

Group I  College Students and Post-Bacs
Group II  High School Students
Group III  College Students and Post-Bacs
Group IV  College Students and Post-Bacs
Group V  Post-Docs, Medical/Dental/Graduate, and College Students
Group VI  High School Students
Group VII  Post-Docs and Medical/Dental/Graduate Students
Group VIII  Community College Students

10:00 am – 11:00 am SESSION FOR SPEAKERS AND ADVISORS

11:00 am – 11:15 am BREAK

11:15 am – 12:50 pm STUDENTS/ADVISORS LUNCHEON

PLENARY SESSION

H. Richard Nesson, MD Award: Vivian W. Pinn, M.D.
Associate Director for Research on Women's Health
Director, Office of Research on Women's Health
National Institutes of Health

Keynote Speaker: Vivian W. Pinn, M.D.

12:50 pm – 1:00 pm BREAK

1:00 pm – 2:30 pm FIRST SERIES OF CONCURRENT PANELS

Panel 1: Getting into College and Succeeding High School Students
Panel 2: Getting into Medical School and Succeeding Post-Bacs, College, Community College, and High School Students
Panel 3: Getting into Health Professional School and Succeeding Post-Bacs, College, Community College, and High School Students
Panel 4: Biopharmaceuticals All Academic Levels
Panel 5: Funding and Research Opportunities Post-Docs, Medical/Dental/Graduate, Post-Bacs, College and Community College
Panel 6: Residency Training and Beyond Medical and Graduate Students
Panel 7: Transitioning from the University to the Workplace Post-Docs, Graduate, College, and Community College Students
Panel 8: Nursing Session All Students Interested in the Nursing Field

2:30 pm – 2:45 pm BREAK

2:45 pm – 4:15 pm SECOND SERIES OF CONCURRENT PANELS

Panel 9: Getting into Medical School and Succeeding Post-Bacs, College, Community College, and High School Students
Panel 10: Getting into Graduate School and Succeeding Post-Bacs, College, Community College, and High School Students
Panel 11: Fellowships and Postdoctoral Training Post-Docs and Medical/Dental/Graduate Students
Panel 12: Finding the Right People to Build your Career Post-Docs, Medical, Graduate, Post-Bacs, College, and Community College
Panel 13: Funding and Research Opportunities Post-Bacs, College, Community College, and High School Students
Panel 14: Interviewing Skills for College or your First Job Post-Bacs, College, Community College, and High School Students
Panel 15: Alternative Health Career Opportunities Post-Docs, Medical, Graduate, College, and Community College Students
Panel 16: Transferring from Community College to College Community College Students

4:15 pm – 6:00 pm RESOURCE ROOM - NETWORKING AND DISCUSSION All Academic Levels