Scholarship Information: This scholarship award is from the LMSA Puerto Rico Emergency Task Force to sponsor our medical student peers in Puerto Rico to travel and attend the 13th Annual LMSA National Conference, *Siempre Unidos: Celebrating Diversity and Bridging the Gap*, hosted at Miami Dade College from April 13-15, 2018. (2) Winners will be financially sponsored to attend the conference with and annual LMSA GALA with a one time award of $500 to offset costs of lodging, transportation, conference registration (meals and gala admission included).

Winner/s will learn about the structure and organization of LMSA, participate in mentorship opportunities, residency networking events, exhibitor fair, and numerous workshops and lecture series on topics Latino Health Policy, diversity in medical education, and ways to join and start advocacy and service initiatives in LMSA. Conference begins promptly on Friday, April 13th, 2018 at noon and concludes with the Saturday Night Gala and optional Sunday service event.

The aim of this scholarship is to increase knowledge and participation of medical students in Puerto Rico the LMSA organization and experience, particularly the Southeast region. Given the increased financial, material, and personal struggles medical student have endured since Hurricane Maria, this scholarship
hopes to offset financial barriers to create an opportunity for the deserving students to attend, participate, and share their knowledge and experience with LMSA.

**Scholarship Eligibility:**

1. Students must be enrolled in years 1-5 in the following medical schools:
   - Ponce School of Medicine and Health Sciences
   - San Juan Bautista School of Medicine
   - Universidad Central del Caribe School of Medicine
   - University of Puerto Rico School of Medicine

2. Students must be able to arrive by Friday evening in order to attend the major conference events and GALA on Saturday, April 14. If for any unforeseen or emergency reasons student is unexpectedly unable to attend conference, student agrees to forfeit all funds and benefits of this award.

3. Students must demonstrate financial need of assistance in attending conference. Students must fill out the form below indicating expected expenses for the 2017-2018 academic year.

4. Students must complete application in full by deadline for submission: March 18, 2018 11:59pm EST

**CONTACT INFORMATION**

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Today’s Date: ________________________________

School of Medicine: ________________________________________________

Class status:

MS1 (1st year)  MS2 (2nd year)  MS3 (3rd year)  MS4 (4th)  Other: __________

Personal Address/Dirección postal personal:
PLEASE COMPLETE THE FOLLOWING (LIMIT TO ONE PAGE):

Community Service, Volunteer, Leadership, and Clinical Experience(s):

Employment and Work Experience(s):

Research, Publications and other Scholarly Endeavors:

Awards and Achievements:
**Ensayos/Essays:**

Favor de escribir sus ensayos en inglés. Ensayos escritos en español serán aceptados sin embargo se preferirán en inglés. No tomaremos en cuenta la calidad del inglés en su escrito con la excepción de que la información se entienda y pueda utilizarse para compartir con otras organizaciones y aliados que quieran aportar a la causa. (Please write your essays in English. Essays written in Spanish will be accepted but we prefer that they are written in English. We are not concerned with your English writing skills, this is so that LMSA can use the information that you provide to inform other organizations who may want to help as well.)

1. En menos de 500 palabras, describe cómo ha sido afectado por el Huracán María y cómo su educación ha sido interrumpida o afectada. (In less than 500 words, describe how you have been impacted by Hurricane Maria and how your education as a medical student has been affected).

2. En menos de 500 palabras, escriba cómo anticipa usar los fondos de esta beca. ¿Cómo anticipa que esta ayuda financiera apoye su educación? (In less than 500 words, please describe how you anticipate attending the National Conference will benefit your medical education and future career? What are your goals in attending the conference? What do you hope to learn?)
3. (Optional) The Latino Medical Student Association (LMSA) is identifying the needs of our medical students in Puerto Rico and Puerto Rican medical schools. How do you think institutions on the US mainland can support you more effectively?

4. Authorize LMSA to use the stories in this application with the objective of creating awareness and spreading a message of advocacy? The use of this information will NOT contain your name or other personal information, but will be kept strictly confidential. LMSA will use the information provided in this application to inform advocacy efforts on behalf of our students in Puerto Rico.

   Yes - LMSA can use the information in this application (except for identifying information) to inform other organizations about the needs of Puerto Rican medical students and medical schools.

   No - LMSA cannot use the information in this application to inform advocacy efforts.
**Financial Need Verification/Verificación de Necesidad Financiera**

Please fill out the “Expected Expenses Form” below.

**EXPECTED EXPENSES FORM**

**FAMILY/PERSONAL FINANCIAL STATEMENT:**

**2017-18 Academic Year Expenses (estimated)**

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**Total Cost of Education** $______

**2017-18 Academic Year Income (estimated)**

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**Total PROJECTED Income 2017-18** $______

**2017 (last year's) Annual Family Income:**

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Applicant’s Gross Annual Income $ 

Spouse’s Gross Annual Income $ 

Savings/Investments $ 

TOTAL 2017 GROSS INCOME $ 

IMPORTANT INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS:

Falsification of information may result in termination of any scholarship granted. 

The number of applications received greatly exceeds the number of available scholarships. 

All decisions/notifications are final. 

Award recipients will be notified in March 2018. 

Please submit all following materials in a single email, titled, LMSA PUERTO RICO NATIONAL CONFERENCE SCHOLARSHIP –“Applicant Last Name, First Initial” to Lmsaprtaskforce@gmail.com 

Certification: Student must read and sign below to be eligible for consideration. 

I have read and understand the scholarship eligibility criteria. All of the information provided is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge. By signing below, I am certifying that I am a student with the honest intentions of entering a professional medical career and possess the heartfelt desire towards serving the Latino community with their healthcare needs. I also certify that I will apply this award toward my conference attendance expenses. Any remainder of funds leftover I will use at my discretion to support costs related to my medical education. 

Estudiante solicitante: 

____________________________ Nombre (Name) 

____________________________ Firma (Signature) 

____________________________ Fecha (Date) 

Contact Information for LMSA Puerto Rico Task Force: 

Application Submissions: Lmsaprtaskforce@gmail.com 

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