The Medical Alumni Association is the catalyst for building a vigorous and engaged alumni community and nurturing lifelong relationships between the School of Medicine, our students and our alumni. This year, the COVID-19 pandemic continued to challenge our traditional programming, but we remained committed and determined to meet the needs of our alumni and students. The Medical Alumni Association Year in Review provides an opportunity to share highlights and impact for fiscal year 2021 (Oct. 1, 2020 – Sept. 30, 2021.) None of these accomplishments would have been possible without your continued loyalty and support.
Sponsored 67 virtual engagement programs for alumni and students

Facilitated alumni-student shadowing and mentoring opportunities

“Thank you for allowing me to shadow and interact with your patients. It was refreshing to see material learned in the first block of medicine having clinical relevance. It was evident in each encounter that no matter the medical concerns brought up, each patient knew they were being treated with the best care.”

Isaiah Hough, Class of 2025

Hosted 33 Medical Specialty webinars

“Thank you for taking the time to speak with us at the Pediatric Specialty Webinar. I really appreciated hearing about the different aspects of your careers and how to best interact with pediatric patients. This session was inspiring and has made me even more motivated to pursue a career in pediatrics.”

Madeline Simone, Class of 2025

Established the Master of Public Health Alumni Group

Expanded social media presence on Instagram, Facebook and LinkedIn

Introduced the Alumni Voices lecture series

Medical Alumni Association and generous individual donors sponsored 305 white coats for the entire Class of 2025
Thanks to the generosity of our alumni and friends, the FY 2021 Medical Alumni Annual Fund reached $446,709.

The Medical Alumni Annual Fund:
Provides immediate resources for our more than 80 student organizations, giving students expanded opportunities to engage with the community and enhance their clinical skills, professional growth and academic success.

“I chose to attend Wayne State University School of Medicine because of the numerous volunteer opportunities in the underserved communities of Detroit, and I recognize that these opportunities would not be possible without the support of the Medical Alumni Association.”

– Abigail Kuplicki, Class of 2024

These funds enhance medical education by:
- Supplementing curriculum
- Refining clinical skills
- Increasing awareness of public health issues
- Developing medical student leadership skills

Resulting in increased academic success:
The Class of 2021 celebrated a historic 99% residency match rate, 6% higher than the national average.

Medical Alumni Annual Fund Allocation*
- **Student Affairs** – Student organizations, special events, health and wellness, student travel and community engagement
- **Academic Success** – USMLE Step 1 and Step 2 prep
- **Alumni and Student Engagement** – Alumni/student mentoring and engagement programs, alumni enrichment and student scholarships
- **Office of Graduate Education** – Graduate student enrichment programs and conference registration and travel
- **Surplus**

*The Medical Alumni Association Board of Governors directs the allocation of funds*
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Medical Alumni Reunion Weekend
May 13-15, 2022

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