

# DIVERSITY PRESENTATION

SCHOOL OF DENTAL MEDICINE (SDM)

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## SDM DIVERSITY WORK PLAN

AT THE SDM WE VALUE DIVERSITY AND THIS PLAN SERVES AS AN OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW, EVALUATE, DISCUSS, AND MAKE RECOMMENDATIONS TO ENHANCE THE SCHOOL'S COMMITMENT TO A DIVERSE AND INCLUSIVE EDUCATIONAL AND WORK SPACE.

## **EVALUATED 11 ASPECTS OF OUR EXISTING WORK PLAN:**

- ACCOMPLISHED
- MADE PROGRESS AND SHOULD CONTINUE TO BUILD AND EXPAND
- NOT COMPLETED BUT IT IS STILL RELEVANT AND WORTH PURSUING
- NOT STARTED BUT IT IS STILL RELEVANT AND WORTH PURSUING



## ASSESSMENT OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF DIVERSITY WORK PLAN

- 1. SDM DIVERSITY WORK PLAN ALIGNS WITH THE UNIVERSITY DIVERSITY PLAN.
- 2. MENTORING PROGRAM BETWEEN FACULTY OF COLOR AND MINORITY STUDENTS.
- 3. IMPROVE ON PROFESSIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM.
- 4. DEVELOP PIPELINES IN COLLOBORATION WITH UNDERREPRESENTED PROGRAMS.
- 5. APPOINTMENT OF SDM EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION COORDINATOR.
- 6. RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SDM DIVERSITY COMMITTEE.
- 7. COLLABORATE ON PIPELINE EFFORTS WITH THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (SOM).
- 8. FORM PARTNERSHIPS TO INCREASE RECRUITMENT OF MINORITY STUDENTS.
- 9. HEALTH PROFESSION FAIRS THAT TARGET MINORITY POPULATIONS.
- 10. PROVIDE DENTAL SERVICES TO UNDERSERVED, UNDERREPRESENTED AREAS.
- 11. STRENGTHEN URM PROGRAMS FOR PROFESSIONAL AND GRADUATE STUDENTS.



#### SDM DIVERSITY WORK PLAN ALIGNS WITH THE UNIVERSITY DIVERSITY PLAN

- STONY BROOK UNIVERSITY (SBU) CREATED A DIVERSITY PLAN TO CENTRALIZE THE IMPLEMENTATION AND DOCUMENTATION OF DIVERSITY EFFORTS AT SBU.
- THE PLAN IS A WORKING TIMELINE WHICH IS RE-EVALUATED EACH SEMESTER.
- CELEBRATING STUDENTS, RESIDENTS, FACULTY AND STAFF FROM DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF THE PLAN.
- THE SDM AND THE HEALTH SCIENCES SCHOOLS (I.E. HEALTH TECHNOLOGY & MANAGEMENT, MEDICINE, NURSING & SOCIAL WELFARE) ARE PART OF THE PLAN.
- THE SDM PLANS TO MEET THE DIVERSITY NEEDS INCLUDING PROVIDE PATIENT CARE SERVICES TO UNDERREPRESENTED AND UNDESERVED COMMUNITIES.



#### MENTORING PROGRAM BETWEEN FACULTY OF COLOR AND MINORITY STUDENTS

- SDM WILL RE-EVALUATE EXISTING MENTORING PROGRAM INITIATIVES.
- IMPLEMENT NEWLY RESTRUCTURED MENTORING PROGRAMS BASED ON SCHOOL AND PUBLIC COMMUNITY.

#### IMPROVE ON PROFESSIONAL AND ORGANIZATIONAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

- WORK WITH THE OTHER HS SCHOOLS ON THE EXISTING POD PROGRAMS.
- STAFF FORUM TO DEVELOP PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND MENTORING PROGRAMS TO PROMOTE DIVERSITY.
- THE SDM EDI COORDINATOR WILL CONTINUE TO WORK CLOSELY WITH THE OTHER HS SCHOOLS.





#### DEVELOP PIPELINES IN COLLABORATION WITH UNDERGRADUATE PROGRAMS

- SDM PROVIDES HIGH SCHOOL PIPELINE PROGRAMS TO HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS IN UNDERSERVED AND UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES IN NASSAU AND SUFFOLK COUNTY.
- SDM IS ENHANCING HIGH SCHOOL PIPELINE PROGRAMS TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS FROM UNDERSERVED AND UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES.
- SDM IS DEVELOPING A COLLEGE DENTAL PIPELINE PROGRAM TO PROVIDE OPPORTUNITIES FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS FROM UNDERSERVED AND UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES.



### APPOINTMENT OF SDM EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION COORDINATOR

THE SDM HAS CREATED EQUITY, DIVERSITY & INCLUSION COORDINATOR
POSITION. THE SDM EDI COORDINATOR IS CHARGED TO RE-ESTABLISH THE
DIVERSITY COMMITTEE, AND IS CURRENTLY MEETING WITH THE STRATEGIC
PLAN STEERING COMMITTEE.

#### RE-ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SDM DIVERSITY COMMITTEE

- THE SDM WILL CONTINUE TO INVOLVE STAFF, FACULTY, STUDENTS ON DIVERSITY INITIATIVES AT THE SCHOOL.
- THE SDM EDI COORDINATOR SERVES ON THE UNIVERSITY-WIDE AND HSC DIVERSITY COMMITTEES.



## COLLABORATE ON PIPELINE EFFORTS WITH THE SCHOOL OF MEDICINE (SOM)

- DISCOVER DENTAL SCHOOL SUMMER SCHOLARS' PROGRAM (DSSSP) IS AN EXTENSIVE 5-DAY TUITION-BASED COURSE FOR PRE-DENTAL STUDENTS. THREE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AWARDED (ONE FOR DIVERSITY).
- THE SDM IS DEVELOPING A NEW URM PIPELINE PROGRAM IN COLLABORATION WITH INTERNAL AND EXTERNAL PARTNERSHIPS.

#### FORM PARTNERSHIPS TO INCREASE RECRUITMENT OF MINORITY STUDENTS

- VISITS AND TOURS: CLARA BARTON HIGH SCHOOL, ROOSEVELT HIGH SCHOOL, WYANDANCH, LILTA CAMPUS VISITS (BRENTWOOD, ISLIP AND LONGWOOD), HOPE PROGRAM.
- FAIRS: NATIONAL ADEA GO DENTAL RECRUITMENT FAIR, STUDENT ORGANIZATIONS, ADEA CHAPTER, AND RESEARCH MENTORSHIP.



#### HEALTH PROFESSION FAIRS THAT TARGET MINORITY POPULATIONS

- WE ARE WORKING ON IDENTIFYING PROFESSIONAL FAIRS IN THESE AREAS (UNDERSERVED AND UNDERREPRESENTED COMMUNITIES).
- DEVELOPING COLLABORATIONS WITH OTHER HEALTH CARE PROVIDERSTO BROADEN THE USE OF THE DENTAL MOBILE VAN AND INCREASE THE DENTAL OUTREACH.

PROVIDE DENTAL SERVICES TO UNDERSERVED, UNDERREPRESENTED AREAS

THE SDM PROVIDES DENTAL SERVICES TO LOCAL, REGIONAL, NATIONAL AND INTERANATIONAL URM CLINIC SITES.



#### STRENGTHEN URM PROGRAMS FOR PROFESSIONAL AND GRADUATE STUDENTS

- OPPORTUNITIES TO RECRUIT UNDERSERVED UNDERREPRESENTED POPULATION ON STONY BROOK CAMPUS.
- WORK CLOSELY WITH THE CIE AND EOP TO PROVIDE TURNER FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM SCHOLARSHIPS TO DENTAL STUDENTS.



# **SUCCESSES**

- EXPOSURE AND OPPORTUNITY IN THE DENTAL ASSISTANT PROGRAM LEADS TO ENROLLMENT AS DDS STUDENTS.
- EXPOSURE AND OPPORTUNITY IN DSSSP LEADS TO ENROLLMENT AS DDS STUDENTS.
- INCREASE IN DIVERSITY SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS.
- APPOINTMENT OF THE SDM EDI COORDINATOR IN DIFFICULT BUDGET TIMES.
- IMPROVEMENTS IN ALL ASPECTS OF OUR DIVERSITY FOOTPRINTS.
- SDM STAFF FORUM TO GIVE VOICE AND OPPORTUNITY TO DIVERSE STAFF
  POPULATION.

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# **OPPORTUNITIES**

- AN ACTIVE UNIVERSITY-WIDE DIVERSITY PLAN.
- TO INCORPORATE DIVERSITY IN THE SDM STRATEGIC PLAN.
- UINIVERSITY ENVIRONMENT PROVIDE OPPORTUNITY FOR COLLABORATIONS.
- ACCESS TO DIVERSE BACKGROUNDS IN THE TRI-STATE AREA.
- WORKING WITH THE SBU ADVANCEMENT FOR SCHOLARSHIPS.
- INCREASE ENGAGEMENT AMONG LEADERSHIP, STAFF, FACULTY & STUDENTS.
- THE SDM ALUMNI BOARD TO ENGAGE IN DIVERSITY INITIATIVES.



# **CHALLENGES**

- LOCATION IS DISTANT FROM THE HEALTH SCIENCES AND MAIN CAMPUS.
- HIGH COST OF LIVING ON LONG ISLAND.
- INCREASING HIGHER EDUCATION COST.
- HIGHER PROFESSIONAL EDUCATION DEBT.
- SUNY PROVIDES LITTLE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES FOR STUDENTS.
- RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION OF UNDERREPRESENTED STUDENTS.
- URM FACULTY RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION.



# **SDM QUESTIONS**

- HOW DO YOU RECRUIT UNDERSERVED/UNDERPRESENTED STUDENTS/ FACULTY?
- HOW DO YOU RETAIN UNDERSERVED/UNDERPRESENTED STUDENTS/FACULTY?
- DEVELOPING FUNDS TO PROVIDE FINANCIAL SUPPORT FOR URM STUDENTS?
- HOW TO CONNECT WITH STEM AND WISE STUDENTS?
- WHAT PIPELINE PROGRAMS ARE OFFERED IN YOUR UNIVERSITY?

