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To: Education Partners
From: Cal-SEARCH Team

We are writing to introduce you to the California Student/Resident Experiences and Rotations in Community Health Program (Cal-SEARCH), a program and partnership of the Office of Statewide Health Planning and Development, the California Area Health Education Center and the California Primary Care Association (Cal-SEARCH Team). The Cal-SEARCH mission is to increase the recruitment and retention of culturally competent, community oriented health professionals in California's community clinics and health centers (CCHCs), by providing health profession students and residents with clinical experiences linked to preceptors, mentors, and community projects. Students and residents as well as sites receive a modest stipend for participating.

Eligible applicants include students and residents enrolled in one of the following programs:

- Physicians specializing in Internal Medicine, Family Practice, Pediatrics or Obstetrics and Gynecology
- Dental Hygiene
- Dentistry
- Nurse Practitioner
- Physician Assistant
- Certified Nurse-Midwives
- Clinical Psychologists
- Clinical Social Workers
- Marriage and Family Therapists
- Psychiatric Nurse Specialist
- Psychiatry

As an Education Partner, we would like to provide you with an overview of the Cal-SEARCH student and resident clinical learning objectives and seek your support and referral of prospective participants. The Cal-SEARCH Team is hosting several technical assistance teleconferences to share program information with you and to hear feedback about potential student/resident interest and ongoing program improvements.

We have enclosed the following:

- Upcoming technical assistance teleconference dates and times.
- Cal-SEARCH newsletter, program poster, and brochure. More are available upon request.
- Information about how you can get involved and spread the word about Cal-SEARCH.

We hope that you will begin sharing information with your students and residents immediately. Please contact us if we can be of any assistance by phone at (916) 326-3711 or by email at Cal-SEARCH@oshpd.state.ca.us. Thank you for your interest and support of Cal-SEARCH.

Sincerely,

The Cal-SEARCH Team

Enclosures

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