

5 April 2004

Greetings,

OIS UPDATE:

There are still some seats open in both the 7 June and 28 June classes for DENTAL STUDENTS. If you are a dental student who plans to go to OIS this summer, get your request in this week! As of 15 APRIL, the remaining seats will be given up to medical students. They will be given on a first come-first serve basis so anyone who has been trying to get a seat, stand by and be prepared to submit your request using NOWS on APRIL 16 or later.

Keep in mind, you should NOT plan to fax us your annual certificate of physical condition and HIV results the same day that you request orders! Our health records personal must enter your information into the system, and that process takes a few days. If you request orders on NOWS and your annual certificate and HIV are not current (within one year), your orders will be disapproved and you must start over.

FAX MACHINES:

I have been getting numerous e-mails from students last week stating that they have been trying to fax us things and our fax machine isn't working. We have checked and double-checked the numbers, and everything is indeed working fine. The problem is probably the volume of students trying to fax at the same time. You might have better luck faxing in the evening or early in the morning.

FAX NUMBERS:

(301) 295-6865

(301) 295-6014

SCHOOL ORDERS:

To clarify, only THIRD and FOURTH year students must submit a dean's letter to take school orders instead of a clerkship (due to school workload). FIRST and SECOND year students do NOT need to submit a dean's letter.

OPPORTUNITY FOR STUDENTS IN THE DC AREA:

All HPSP students AND spouses are invited to the "AOA SPECIALTY NIGHT" which will be held Wednesday, 14 April, at the Uniformed Services University of Health Sciences (USUHS) here in Bethesda, Maryland. It will be held in the USUHS Main Dining Room from 1800 to 2100 hours (6 p.m.-9 p.m.). Civilian dress is appropriate and free pizza and sodas will be available.

If you haven't decided what type of doctor to be and/or have questions about a typical day/lifestyle/training, come a get a better idea from physicians who have found the fields they love!

Among the many specialties that will be represented: Family Medicine, Aerospace Medicine, General Surgery, Ophthalmology, Otolaryngology, Neurosurgery, Radiology, Pathology, Neurology, Orthopedics, Internal Medicine (including Cardiology, Gastroenterology, Nephrology, Infectious Disease, Allergy/Immunology), and others.

Directions to USUHS can be found at <http://www.usuhs.mil>. Look under "about USU" and then "location and directions."

STAFF NOTE:

The HPSP staff has a new addition! Please welcome Ms. Jaimie Ellis-Thompson to our big happy family! She will be assisting with reimbursements as well as updating our website and communicating with you all. You will probably begin to see e-mails with her name on them soon.

That's it for now, have a great week!

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Registrar