History
Established in 2011, Detroit Future DOcs was created to encourage, prepare and foster the health career interests of disadvantaged high school students in Detroit.

Description
The Future DOcs program includes enrichment activities held on Saturdays at MSU College of Osteopathic (MSUCOM) medical college in Detroit over an eight-week period. The participants experience the following:

- Introduction to medical related academic curriculum (anatomy, medical research project, etc.)
- Extracurricular activities (team building and mentoring opportunities)
- Experiential learning (clinical skills and osteopathic manipulative medicine)

MSUCOM faculty and staff teach all sessions and current medical students mentor participants.

Program Criteria
- Currently a sophomore, junior or senior from Benjamin Carson, Cass Technical, Martin Luther King, Renaissance or Southfield High School
- Interest in healthcare (per extracurricular activities/application essays)
- Minimum overall GPA 3.0 (unofficial transcript required)
- 1 Letter of recommendation
- Completed application and submission

*Class of 2017: 33 students, 23 Females 10 Males
*Class of 2017: 16 medical student mentors

Objectives
- Foster interest in health care-related careers, including osteopathic medicine, among high school participants from economically and academically disadvantaged communities
- Provide participants with hands-on and thought provoking academic enrichment activities.
- Establish lifelong learning and problem-solving skills
- Develop individual responsibility, appreciation of diversity and teamwork

Funding
This program receives operational funding from the Michigan State University College of Osteopathic Medicine.

Outcomes
Results are from Strongly Agree only

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