

**2010 EVE AND GENE BLACK SUMMER MEDICAL CAREER PROGRAM REFLECTIONS**


King Center staff and participants, kneeling Program Coordinator Lorraine Grey.

**Combined Valley Program**

“The two weeks that I spent in this program were life-changing. I gained such significant insight into the world of medicine and came out of the program with a solid understanding of the medical path I want to follow. I sincerely believe that this program has made my dreams and interests become realistic, tangible goals. I am eagerly awaiting my journey into the progressive, captivating world of medicine.”

*Chelsea D.*

“My hope is that one day, I can be the doctor to show LAPS students around the hospital and get them to love the program as much as I did.”

*Meredith B.*



Department Rotation at Cedars-Sinai



Working in the Lab at St. Mary



UCLA participants with pediatric therapy dog

**LAC-USC**

“...by engaging in this educational and informational experience, I have now decided that I would like to pursue a career in the pediatrics department of medicine. With the help of the Eve and Gene Black Summer Medical Career Program, I have now discovered that the medical field is where I'm destined to be.”

*Cynthia A.*

“Finishing this program has opened my eyes to new possibilities of a health care profession and helped me realize that I do want to be a doctor.”

*Monica M.*



Surgery Observation at White Memorial

**Harbor UCLA**

“Keep your mind open” was what the presenting doctor said during one of my first Grand Rounds.

*Johana M.*

“The program meant more than just learning what goes on in the hospital. I learned how much effort and teamwork it takes to not just solve problems in the hospital but in the rest of the world as well.”

*Marshall C.*

**Olive View**

“If anyone wants to go into medicine, they should definitely apply for this program.”

*Kee-Hwan K.*

**Childrens**

“From the outpatient rooms, to the clinics, and the laboratories, everything was laid out for us to see: raw and uncensored. It is truly an experience that you cannot gain from reading a textbook. To the professionals who readily welcomed clueless high school students into their days, I thank you sincerely.”

*Shalisa P.*

**St. Johns**

“The Eve and Gene Black Summer Program is completely different in every way from other summer programs. Not only do the interns experience the hospital environment, they also shadow various fields of medicine, ranging from general pediatrics to dentistry. If it was possible for me to do this program again next year, I would sign up in a heartbeat.”

*Jessica C.*

**Tarzana**

“I was able to see three cesarean sections performed and an arthroscopic surgery and both were very exciting to watch.”

*Jessica L.*

“I wore scrubs, stood next to surgeons as they performed amazing procedures, and circulated through almost all of the departments. I entered the hospital as an ignorant student dazzled by the hospital's complexity and vastness and left enlightened and confident about pursuing a career in medicine.”

*Monica C.*

Thank you to the participating hospitals, their counselors, and all those that generously donate to the Summer Medical Career Program; your support positively influences future generations of medical professionals. Additional information about the **2011 Summer Program** can be found in this newsletter or on our website: [www.lapedsoc.org](http://www.lapedsoc.org)