

Class of 2011:

Welcome to The Pennsylvania State University College of Medicine!

All you need to know about Orientation can be found on the College of Medicine's internet site.

The website is: www.hmc.psu.edu/md/students/orientation.html. Please note there are several items you need to return to us:

- Family and Friends Program Response Form – due July 20
- White Coat Ceremony Response Form – due July 11
- Patient Project Response Form – due July 31
- “Little’s” Application Form – July 20
- Wallet Size Picture – July 31
- Tell Us About You Form – due July 31

Please refer to this website throughout the summer for updates and additional information. Orientation officially begins Monday, August 6, 2007. You will need to stop by the Office of Student Affairs Conference Room, Room C1804, to check-in and pick up pertinent information. Please see the tentative Orientation Schedule on our website. You will need to refer to our website throughout the summer for any changes to the schedule. All orientation sessions are mandatory.

Entrance Loan Counseling will be held on Thursday, August 9, 2007, from 1:00 – 2:00 p.m. in Lecture Room A. **This session is required for all student loan borrowers.**

On Friday, August 10, while you are in orientation sessions, your parents, spouses, and significant others are invited to attend the **“Family and Friends Program.”** This program begins at 8:00 a.m. and ends approximately 12:00 noon in the Hospital Auditorium. They will have the opportunity to go on a tour of the Milton S. Hershey Medical Center and the College of Medicine.

You can find the agenda on the website. The program will give your family and friends an opportunity to become acquainted with the College and curriculum. Please indicate on the Family and Friends form the number of individuals who will be attending the Family and Friends Program and Tour on Friday. The response form needs to be returned to the Office of Student Affairs by **July 20, 2007.**

On Friday, August 10, the **White Coat Ceremony** will be conducted for the entering first-year medical students at 4:00 p.m. at the Hershey Lodge. The ceremony will begin at 4:00 p.m. followed by a reception. Please refer to our website to complete the White Coat Ceremony Response Form. **All fields on this form must be completed in order for the form to be submitted.**

Please note that the Family and Friends Program and the White Coat Ceremony are two separate programs and each program has their own response form.

We look forward to your arrival in Hershey! Please let Diane Gill, Associate Director of Student Affairs and Registrar, know at (717) 531-4105 or dgill@psu.edu if you have any questions regarding the information on the website or if there is anything that we can do to make your transition to medical school easier or more enjoyable.