



2008 SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE PLACEMENTS SPONSORSHIP/PRECEPTOR FACT SHEET

WHAT IS THE SUMMER ENRICHMENT PROGRAM? The 2008 Summer Enrichment Program (SEP) is a paid internship for students (both undergraduate and graduate) pursuing a degree or concentration in health services management. Students are assigned to members of the sponsoring facility's senior management staff to gain first-hand experience of the operations and management issues facing the organization. The program seeks to promote diversity in health care management, and members of minority groups are strongly encouraged to apply.

WHAT IS THE PURPOSE? To provide students with the opportunity to learn more about the major issues, skills, and responsibilities involved with health care management. The summer experience will enhance students' knowledge and understanding of the field, putting them in a better position to pursue a career in health care administration.

WHAT ARE THE DATES? The program begins on June 2, 2008, and ends on August 22, 2008. The student remains on-site for the summer with the following exceptions:

- Orientation session held at GNYHA (half-day during the first week of the program)
- Two-day educational series at GNYHA
- Institute for Diversity in Health Management (IFD) conference
- Graduation ceremony (students present their projects to fellow students and preceptors at the end of the summer)

HOW IS THE STUDENT SELECTED AND ASSIGNED TO A SITE? Applications are evaluated based on academic excellence, interest in and commitment to a health care management career, communication skills as presented in the applicants' personal statements, and faculty, community, and employer references. We look for ambitious students who have a strong potential for success. A staff member at GNYHA interviews potential students. A matching process follows, and applicants are sent to selected preceptors for an interview to determine whether an appropriate match can be made. Once the preceptor agrees, the student is offered the internship for the summer.

WHO WILL WORK WITH THE STUDENTS? Preceptors are responsible for the daily supervision and assignment of the students. Each student is required to be involved in a project for the summer and to write and speak about it at the end of the program at the graduation ceremony. Rotations through various departments are also strongly encouraged.

WHAT ARE THE COSTS TO MY INSTITUTION?

- Costs of placing an undergraduate student on your payroll at a minimum rate of \$10 an hour
- Costs of placing a graduate student on your payroll at a minimum rate of \$12 an hour
- Parking permit provided (if applicable)

WHY PARTICIPATE? To mentor tomorrow's health care leaders today, and increase diversity among the ranks of health care management.