ADDITIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR MEDICAL SHADOWING PROGRAMS FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND COLLEGE STUDENTS

The Los Angeles Pediatric Society (LAPS) understands that not all applicants will be accepted into the LAPS Summer Program or be available for the times that our participating Program sites offer. As we are often asked for information on other opportunities, we have listed some programs that may be of interest to applicants. The listings provided are for informational purposes only, may be subject to change and are not to be considered as an endorsement or recommendation of the programs. By clicking on the links below, you will leave the LAPS website and be directed to another website.

COPE HEALTH SCHOLARS

COPE Health Scholars, a division of COPE Health Solutions, provides an educational opportunity for individuals interested in making a difference in health care, advancing their careers, and building lifelong relationships and learning through the COPE Connect network. These opportunities are available for various age groups and in different Los Angeles area locations.

https://copehealthscholars.org/

UCLA HEALTH PRE-MED SUMMER SCHOLAR PROGRAM

The Pre-Med Summer Scholar Program is an intense, one-week, primarily educational program incorporating medical guest speakers and hospital-related tours and activities giving the Summer Scholar an involved sense of working within the field of medicine. This is not a “summer camp-like” program and housing accommodations are not included.

https://www.uclahealth.org/volunteer/pre-med-summer-scholar-westwood

MINORS IN RESEARCH

The Minors in Research initiative is a subset of the Research Internship Program and will contribute to bridging the gap between classroom education and real-life experiences in an academic environment. The initiative is designed to provide an overview of biomedical research, access to faculty members as mentors, and an opportunity to develop and enhance skills for college and career readiness.

A limited number of paid research internship opportunities funded by Cedars-Sinai will be awarded to local high school students who are currently enrolled in the 11th grade (ages 16-18). For a period of seven weeks; for a maximum of 40 hours per week, each participant will be mentored by a Cedars-Sinai faculty member and exposed to a diverse spectrum of leading edge technology in multiple disciplines and projects. Internships may continue beyond the seven-week period at the discretion of the faculty mentor and approvals from the Minors in Research committee and the Safety Office.

https://www.cedars-sinai.org/education/professional-training-programs/internship/minors.html

THE INTERN PROJECT (TIP)

The Intern Project (TIP) provides deserving Los Angeles public high school juniors the chance to work in dynamic career areas through paid internships of four or more weeks during their summer break. Through TIP, students have worked in fields like digital media, entertainment, technology, health care, and design. These experiences can level the playing field for many students in Los Angeles. We empower student success; they change the trajectory of their careers.
HEALTH CAREER CONNECTIONS

HCC is a national non-profit that inspires and empowers undergraduate students, recent graduates and HCC alumni, particularly those from under-represented or disadvantaged backgrounds, to choose and successfully pursue authentic healthcare and public health careers.

https://www.healthcareers.org/

MiMENTOR

MiMentor is a national mentoring organization committed to mentoring the next generation of healthcare professionals. Our mission is to develop and support innovative and inclusive mentorship opportunities that will inspire the next generation of diverse healthcare leaders for underserved communities. Join our community of mentors and mentees today!

https://www.mimentor.org/

GLOBAL PRE-MEDS

The Global Pre-Meds Program provides opportunities for 16, 17 and 18-year olds to experience 40 hours shadowing a doctor with mentoring tailored specifically to this age group. It is a residential program in the Dominican Republic with 24-hour professional supervision, combining the fun and adventure of a summer camp with serious hospital work experience.

https://www.globalpremeds.com/

ENVISION: NATIONAL YOUTH LEADERSHIP FORUM (NYLF): MEDICINE

Future doctors and health care practitioners will enjoy an extraordinary opportunity to discover their passions through hands-on medical experience at NYLF Medicine. Over nine amazing days on the campus location of your choice, you will experience the collegiate lifestyle first-hand, learn from doctors and participate in interactive curriculum led by advisors, visit a top medical school, test your medical knowledge during Clinical Skills Rotations, and explore professional opportunities in the ever-expanding fields of medicine and health care among fellow high school students.

https://www.envisionexperience.com/explore-our-programs/national-youth-leadership-forum-medicine

MISCELLANEOUS SUGGESTIONS

➢ Contact your local area hospitals, healthcare clinics/facilities and nursing homes to investigate their volunteer programs or internships that they might offer.

➢ Contact your personal or area medical and dental providers to see if they offer any volunteer or shadow experiences.