INVEST IN THE NEXT GENERATION

OMA Medical Scholarship Fund
From four nationally recognized medical programs, Oregon graduates a growing number of highly-qualified physicians and physician assistants each year.

FOR TODAY’S MEDICAL STUDENTS, THE FUTURE LOOKS DIFFERENT. STUDENTS HAVE NOT CHANGED, TIMES HAVE CHANGED.

The rising costs of a medical school education mean the majority of students are graduating with crushing debt. All too often, debt becomes the deciding factor in selecting a medical specialty and practice location.

PASSION AND COMPETENCIES — NOT DEBT — SHOULD BE THE DECIDING FACTOR IN A GRADUATE’S CAREER CHOICE.

* Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC), October 2012
Support Oregon’s Exceptional Medical Students

Every day, Oregon’s health community — doctors, physician assistants, nurses, and personnel in hospitals, insurance companies, and a wide range of other organizations — show their commitment to a healthier Oregon. Today is the day to invest in the next generation of Oregon’s doctors and physician assistants.

Give today to make a difference for Oregon’s next generation of physicians and physician assistants and ensure a healthy future for Oregon.

At the OMA, we are committed to supporting the next generation: those who will continue the work we’ve begun to make Oregon a vibrant and healthy place to live and provide the highest quality health care in the nation.

**FACT:** Payments of graduates with over $100K in debt can exceed $1,000/month

*Today’s medical students are passionate and committed, just as I was 35 years ago. Costs have skyrocketed, and debt limits career choices. That is why I am stepping up to donate to the OMA Medical Scholarship Fund: I want to help the next generation of physicians and PAs succeed in their careers of choice.*

— WILLIAM C. “BUD” PIERCE, M.D., PH.D., OMA PRESIDENT 2012-2013
About the Scholarship Fund

The Oregon Medical Association is Oregon’s largest and oldest medical association. Today, the OMA represents the interests of the entire state as it focuses on investing in Oregon’s exceptional medical students.

The OMA Medical Scholarship Fund offers Oregon’s health care community an opportunity to invest in the next generation of physicians and physician assistants at Oregon’s four top medical programs: Oregon Health & Science University School of Medicine, Oregon Health & Science University Physician Assistant Program, Pacific University Physician Assistant Studies Program and College of Osteopathic Medicine of the Pacific (COMP-Northwest).

Individuals and organizations from across Oregon are investing in the OMA Medical Scholarship Fund. A gift to the OMA Medical Scholarship Fund will make a significant difference in the lives of Oregon’s medical students and help ensure a healthy future for Oregon.

It was very heartening to receive an OMA scholarship. It’s difficult to choose a career in medicine without financial pressures weighing on you; scholarships help to ease the burden and open up post-graduation options.

— NATALIE WU, STUDENT, OHSU SCHOOL OF MEDICINE