

# Student Organizations

## American Medical Student Association

The American Medical Student Association exists to prepare, train and embolden medical students to become leaders. Advocates for quality and affordable health care for all. Ushers of a better, more inclusive, equitable future. With over 30,000 members from across the globe, we're the largest and oldest independent association of physicians-in-training in the United States. For over seven decades, we've armed students with the training and experience to lead, use their voice and challenge the status quo.

## Asian American Students of Health Science

The Asian American Students of Health Science is a newly formed student group at UTHSC. Our aims are to provide a safe support network and bring insight into the experience of individuals of Asian heritage in the healthcare fields by encouraging open interprofessional and cultural discourse.

## Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association

The Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association (APAMSA) is a national organization of medical and pre-medical students committed to addressing the unique health challenges of Asian American, Native Hawaiian, & Pacific Islander (AANHPI) communities.

There are three primary objectives of our organization

- Service: to continue health equity initiatives from the national chapter that uniquely address health challenges in Asian Pacific American communities.
- Diversity: to better represent the diversity of Asian Pacific American experiences in healthcare.
- Advocacy: to connect students from different classes to form mentorship networks, share resources, and find community.



## American Muslim Medical Student Association

The AMMSA is dedicated to providing an academically and spiritually supportive community to Muslim Medical Students. The goals of the AMMSA consist of: raising awareness of the Muslim patient populations through addressing pertinent religious and cultural issues; providing mentorship to Muslim undergraduate students who are interested in pursuing medicine; facilitating professional development and networking through community physicians who will act as mentors to students; bringing together Muslim medical students through volunteerism and community service.



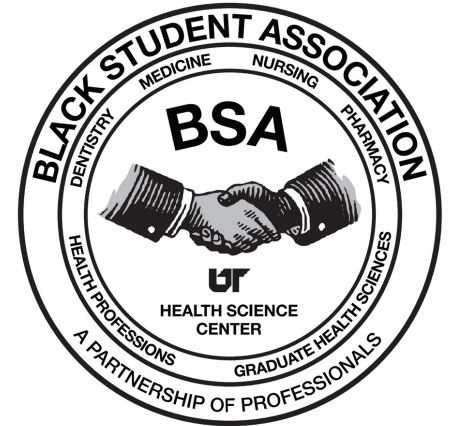
# Association of Women Surgeons

The purpose of Association of Women Surgeons (AWS) is to engage current and future women surgeons to realize their professional and personal goals, To empower women to succeed, and to encourage mentorship, education and a networking community that promotes women's contributions and achievements as students, surgeons, and leaders



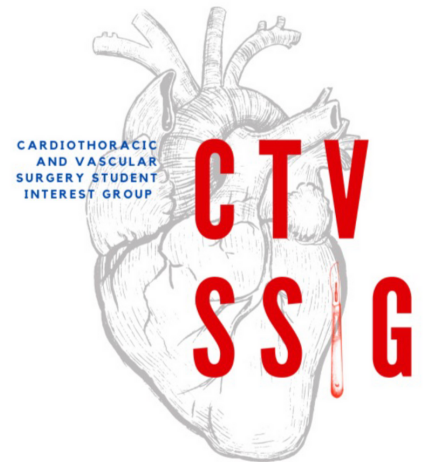
# Black Student Association

The Black Student Association (BSA) is an interdisciplinary organization founded in 1992 by African American students at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center. The focus of this organization is to promote unity amongst students throughout all six colleges, primarily those of African-American descent.



# Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery Student Interest Group

The Cardiothoracic and Vascular Student Interest Group (CTVSSIG) hosts CT surgeons, residents, and upperclassmen at UTHSC to present and discuss high-yield cases, experiences, and tips on excelling during your surgery rotation as a medical student. CTVSSIG is creating a community of networking in CT surgery within the Memphis area in addition to collaborating with different universities across the country. CTVSSIG also engages medical students to participate in advocacy leadership through presentations on healthcare ethics and hosting a grant-funded "Advocacy Symposium" at UTHSC in late April.



# Class Council

Class Council is an awesome way to get involved in leadership! We work together to improve the experience of both our class and the university as a whole. There are many different positions available, so please ask us any questions!

Check out the class Instagrams:

Class of 2024 @uthsccom2024

Class of 2025 @uthsccom2025

Class of 2026 @uthsccom2026

# Clinica Esperanza

Clínica Esperanza is a primary care clinic that serves the uninsured, Hispanic/LatinX adult population of Memphis. Our primary goal is to provide access to quality healthcare and improve the health literacy and overall health of our great community. With the support of Christ Community Health Services and their clinical space on Broad Ave, Clínica has helped meet the medical needs of hundreds of patients. The clinic is run entirely by student and community volunteers within the City of Memphis. All medical encounters are performed by training healthcare professionals under the supervision of licensed physicians and pharmacists. All care and diagnostic testing provided by our clinic are provided at zero cost to our patients. We have partnerships with Christ Community and Regional One Health to provide subspecialty care that is outside the scope of our primary care practice.



# Council for International & Area Outreach

CIAO is composed of 2-3 student representatives from each class in the College of Medicine along with faculty, administrators, and independent advisors. As a board, we evaluate service projects for funding, host an annual symposium, and establish local service projects. We seek to accomplish our mission by:

- Financially supporting student initiatives for local public outreach.
- Financially assisting students who desire the experience of serving medically under-privileged peoples internationally via rolling applications.
- Assembling program information for students interested in 4th year electives outside of the United States.
- Providing administrative guidance to other on-campus student organizations engaged in public service.



# Cradle of Health

Our mission is to instill in students a passion for global health, and in doing so shape the next generation of healthcare providers to be globally-minded, compassionate, and culturally-competent, which will lead to better health outcomes for all, but especially for the underserved.



# Dermatology Interest Group

The Dermatology Interest Group (DIG) is a student-run organization committed to providing volunteering, networking, and research opportunities to medical students interested in a career in dermatology. Our chapter at UTHSC hosts several events throughout the year including networking with residents, lectures led by faculty, donation drives, and suture workshops. We are also involved in SPOTS, a community outreach organization that teaches kids about skin cancer prevention and recognition.



# Global Healthcare and Innovation Group

Medicine is a team effort, both at the individual level and the global level. New innovation or learning practices are being developed worldwide every day in every corner of the world. Through the shared interests and goals of our members, whether they be learning more about the practice of medicine in other cultures or contributing to and learning from healthcare innovations wherever they may come from, we want to know and understand more about healthcare not just at the bedside, but from all perspectives.



# Gold Humanism Honor Society

GHHS is dedicated to foster, recognize, and support the values of humanism and professionalism in medicine. The Society commits itself to work within and beyond medical education to inspire, nurture, and sustain lifelong advocates for compassionate patient care.



# Health Students Teaching Memphis Youth

HSTMY (Health Students Teaching Memphis Youth): We are a volunteer organization that provides health-related lessons to young students around Memphis area with lessons on nutrition, exercise, safety, sleep, communication, etc. We collaborate with students from the colleges of nursing, pharmacy, and other graduate programs with the hopes of increasing interest in the medical field as well!



# Hippocratic Notes

Hippocratic notes is a choir formed by UTHSC medical students. We work to providing a supportive community for students in graduate health programs interested in participating in music. The group aims to provide opportunities for students to be creative while also serving the community.





# Internal Medicine Interest Group (IMIG)

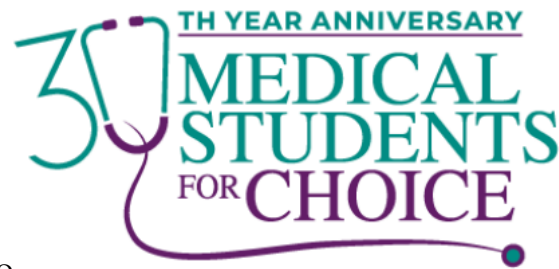
The Internal Medicine Interest Group is a student organization that provides students with opportunities to explore the various fields within Internal Medicine. Through this organization, IMIG communicates to students about upcoming events, promotes information about research opportunities, and connects members to faculty and other students who share similar interests.



## Medical Students For Choice

MSFC was founded by medical students in 1993 as a response to the almost complete deficit of abortion education in their medical training, and it has filled a unique niche in the abortion rights movement. Our chapter of MSFC was formed in July 2022 following the overturning of Roe v. Wade and implementation of Tennessee's trigger laws. The chapter is set up to allow members to plan and implement their own activities to educate peers and advocate for the needs of their communities. For our chapter, this has involved contacting TN lawmakers to advocate for abortion care and attending meetings UTHSC has held to explain the TN trigger law. Nationally, MSFC holds annual meetings and smaller, regional meetings to discuss abortion care and training.

Instagram: [uthsc.msfc](https://www.instagram.com/uthsc.msfc)



## Memphis Street Health

Memphis Street Health is a student-led organization dedicated to serving our local community. Via partnerships with local organizations like Room In the Inn, MSH aims to address disparities in housing, food security, and access to medical care, especially for underserved populations. We host a variety of recurring and unique volunteer opportunities such as Foot Clinic, Winter Shelter, and weekly clothing distributions. We encourage any students interested in community service or learning about social determinants of health to join us!

### Memphis Street Health



## Military Medicine Interest Group

The Military Medicine Interest Group is an organization open to anyone seeking community with other HPSP students and/or prior and active service members as well as for individuals interested in learning more about a scholarship or career in military medicine. We aim to provide opportunities for networking, research, and shadowing applicable to a military medicine career and to create an environment for fellowship amongst those interested in this field.



# Medical Student Executive Council

The Medical Student Executive Council (MSEC) is the governing council of the student body of the University of Tennessee College of Medicine, representing the students to the administration and faculty of the University, and the Memphis community. The Council serves to represent all students in the College of Medicine, addressing academic, financial, social, and other issues affecting the students' overall learning experience.



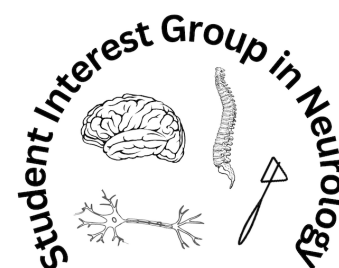
# Pediatric Interest Group

The Pediatric Interest Group provides mentorship, volunteering, research, leadership, and education to UTHSC students interested in pursuing a career in pediatrics. Throughout the year, members have opportunities to volunteer within the Memphis community, to learn from some of the leading physicians in a wide variety of pediatric specialties, and to hear a multitude of research opportunities across the state of Tennessee. The Pediatric Interest Group values collaboration among our members with the shared goal of advancing the field of pediatrics



# Student Interest Group in Neurology

The Student Interest Group in Neurology (SIGN) is a student-led organization focused on providing educational, social, and outreach opportunities for students who are interested in or are considering applying for either adult or pediatric Neurology.



# Students for a National Healthcare Program

Our mission at SNaHP UTHSC is to inform future physicians on current healthcare policies and advocate for a universal, comprehensive single-payer national health insurance within a positive, safe, and inclusive environment. We align with our parent organization, Physicians for a National Health Program (PNHP), in believing that access to high-quality health care is a right of all people and should be provided equitably as a public service rather than bought and sold as a commodity. We want students at UTHSC to understand the importance of their voices and their votes, especially at a local level, now and as we grow in our professional careers. We wish to foster a curious environment where students want to learn and push boundaries as we discuss the future in healthcare both as patients now and physicians in the future



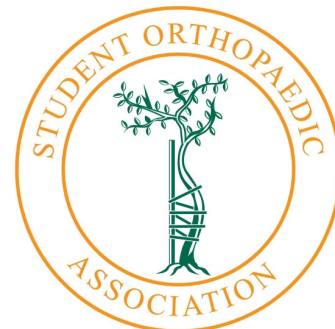
# Student National Medical Association

The Student National Medical Association (SNMA) is committed to supporting current and future underrepresented minority medical students, addressing the needs of underserved communities, and increasing the number of clinically excellent, culturally competent and socially conscious physicians.



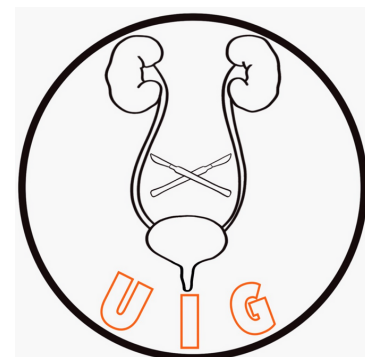
# Student Orthopaedic Association

The goal of SOA is to expose students to a broad variety of orthopedic specialties and provide interactive learning opportunities about the field of orthopedics.



# Urology Interest Group

Urology is not a well-known specialty in medicine but it has lots to offer including large complex operations, lots of robotics, quick procedures, continuity of care, and oncology to name a few. Urologists are consistently ranked at the top of list when it comes to happiness with their quality of life and career choice. The Urology Interest Group meets multiple times throughout the year with program directors, residents, and upperclassmen to discuss the field of urology, the application process, research opportunities, and much more!



# UTHSC Dogs & Docs: Memphis Animal Shelter

UTHSC Dogs & Docs is a student-run organization with the aim of connecting students to volunteer opportunities at Memphis Animal Services. Upon completing the orientation and first training sessions, UTHSC students are equipped and ready to volunteer at the animal shelter with the dogs and cats. Volunteer experiences range from providing enrichment and companionship for the animals, to taking photos and drafting adoption profiles, to taking dogs on foster field trips. Volunteering at the animal shelter is truly as enjoyable as it is rewarding, getting to help the animals become one step closer to their forever home!



# Wellness Committee

The Medical Student Wellness Committee is a student led committee that bridges the gap between life in medical school and wellness. This goal is accomplished by focusing on six aspects of wellness: physical, emotional, spiritual, social, professional, and intellectual. We present and regularly update information that pertains to these six aspects and organize group events to promote student wellness.

## Wilderness, Austere and Rescue Medicine

Wilderness, Austere and Rescue Medicine provides knowledge and skill sets to assist members and their peers safely engage in outdoor recreation, as well as plan an appropriate response to adverse events in austere environments. In addition, we provide access to educational opportunities in wilderness medicine for UTHSC students.



## Women in Medicine

WIMS is a student-led organization designed to facilitate communication and networking among its members and to provide advocacy to all women students and trainees at UTHSC in order to build a supportive community that will nurture the professional development of current and future women in medicine and science.

