

June 2008

Dear Members of the Class of 2012:

Congratulations on your acceptance to Drexel University College of Medicine. We look forward to meeting and welcoming each of you to Drexel Med. Enclosed in this packet are several **important** items for your information and/or completion. This will be the only mailing you will receive prior to Orientation, Tuesday, August 5, 2008. **All other correspondence, information and updates will be posted to the “Incoming Student” website at: <http://webcampus.drexelmed.edu/welcome/>).**

Please review each document carefully. The following information is enclosed:

- ❑ Memorandum from the Associate Dean for Student Affairs including the following:
 - Instructions to obtain Banner Web-Based Services Username/Password and Email account
 - Official Final Transcript Requirements
 - HIPAA Requirements
 - Proof of Student Health Insurance and Information
 - Criminal Background Clearance
- ❑ Letter from the Office of Student Immunization and Surveillance
 - Pre-placement Medical Evaluation Form and Physical Examination
- ❑ Pre-matriculation Guide
- ❑ Big Brother/Big Sister letter
- ❑ Welcoming letter from the Director of Student Mental Health and the Director of Academic Assessment and Enrichment
- ❑ Welcoming letter from the President of the Honor Court
- ❑ Invitation to the Alumni Welcome Picnic and Pool Party
- ❑ Second Year Student Contact List
- ❑ Scrubs Order Form
- ❑ Business Card Order Form

The “Incoming Student” Website <http://webcampus.drexelmed.edu/welcome/> will provide supplementary Orientation and class information. There, you will find Orientation program highlights, tentative class schedules, an academic calendar, computer requirements, available housing and other useful information to help you get settled in to the area. **We will continue to update and enhance our website throughout the summer; therefore, it is your responsibility to visit it from time to time so you have the most up to date information.**

It is important that you complete and return all required forms prior to your arrival. Completing **all** forms before you arrive will allow you more free time on the first day of Orientation to get to know your classmates and upper class students. Please feel free to return all completed forms in the enclosed self-addressed envelope and we will direct the paper work to the appropriate office. If you plan to be in Philadelphia prior to Orientation, we welcome you on campus. Items such as housing, getting measured for your white coat and obtaining an ID and parking card

can be taken care of over the summer.

Information regarding the student organizations with whom you may become involved as a Drexel medical student can be found on the Student Government Association website at <http://sga.drexelmed.edu/>. You will also have a chance to speak with upper class student representatives from a number of these groups at the Student Activities Fair, which is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, August 14, 2008.

As a reminder, Orientation begins on Tuesday, August 5, 2008 at 12:00 noon. Activities to help you get settled in the area, become more familiar with Drexel Med and Philadelphia are being planned for Saturday by the Class of 2011. Details will be posted on the incoming student website. Dress for Orientation is casual; however, professional dress is appropriate for the White Coat Ceremony. The White Coat Ceremony will be held on Monday, August 11, 2008 at 3:00 p.m. A formal invitation will be mailed under separate cover.

On Monday, June 23rd, a group of second year students will be attempting to reach you by phone. Their goal will be to welcome you and answer any questions you may have. They will be making their calls between 5:00-8:30 p.m. EST. **Please be sure your address and phone number has been updated on Banner Web.** If you prefer, you are welcome to call in during this time period to speak to one of the second year medical students at 215-991-8219. In addition, should you have any questions over the summer, please refer to the list of second year students and their email addresses which will be posted on the incoming student website.

If you are unable to be on campus by 12:00 p.m. on Tuesday, August 5th (due to military obligations, completing course work, etc.), you must notify us in writing to receive permission to be excused. If we can assist you between now and the start of Orientation, please contact us at (215) 991-8219 or stop by the Office of Student Affairs. We look forward to getting to know you and to working with you throughout your years as a medical student. Congratulations again, and welcome.

Sincerely,

Shay Myers
Director of Student Affairs

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Chair, Orientation Planning Committee