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Subject: FROM THE ASSOCIATE DEAN: AAMC Community Service Recognition Award

Dear all,

We are pleased to announce that Dr. Risha Irby-Irvin, a third-year resident in the Department of Medicine's UCSF/SFGH Primary Care Internal Medicine Residency, was selected as the recipient of the 2009 AAMC Community Service Recognition Award, a prestigious national award specifically designed to recognize residents who are engaged in significant community service work. Risha was honored for her work in designing and implementing the Summer Empowerment Academy, a program designed to identify and support high school students from low income communities. Together with her husband Nathan, an emergency medicine resident at Highland Hospital, Risha and her colleagues enrolled 25 high school students and developed a week-long program this past summer to support and mentor these students in order to empower them to pursue higher education. Congratulations Risha!

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