

Health Career Opportunity Programs  
Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative

Summer Enrichment Programs

Closing Ceremonies



Friday, July 18, 2025

12:00pm to 1:00pm

Academic Rotunda

UConn Health  
Farmington, Connecticut

*Dear Colleagues,*

*Several years ago, UConn Health, the Hartford School District, Central Connecticut State University, University of Connecticut, and Wesleyan University developed the Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative (Aetna HPPI) to increase the health professions workforce.*

*This is a formal consortium offering a comprehensive program of educational enrichment and support activities for first generation and students of diverse backgrounds. Its goal is to increase the number of students applying to medical and dental schools, graduate programs in biomedical sciences, and nursing, pharmacy, and allied health programs. Program elements form a continuous pathway for middle/junior high school, high school, and college level students. The goals are to increase awareness and proficiency in science and to provide a continuous mentoring and support system for students interested in pursuing health professional careers.*

*Since 1996, these programs have sent more than seven hundred participants to medical school, dental school, graduate school or other health professional schools. Further success of the programs is noted by the number of physicians and dentists who currently practice primary care, medicine, and dental medicine in the State of Connecticut or have embarked on careers in academic medicine or dental medicine.*

*To obtain more information on educational enrichment and research opportunities offered by the Aetna HPPI, please visit our website at <http://www.health.uconn.edu/hcop/>*

*Marja Hurley, M.D.*

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*Founding Chair UConn Health Group Women in Medicine and Science*

*Associate Dean, Health Career Opportunity Programs*

*Founding Director, Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative*

## ORDER OF EXERCISES

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## CLOSING CEREMONIES

12:00 to 1:00 p.m.

<b>Presiding:</b>	Danielle Watt, Ph.D. <i>Associate Director, Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative</i> <i>Health Career Opportunity Programs</i>
<b>Greetings:</b>	Steven Lepowsky, D.D.S. <i>Dean, UConn School of Dental Medicine</i>
<b>Welcome &amp; Introduction of Keynote Speaker:</b>	Marja Hurley, M.D. <i>Board of Trustees Distinguished Professor</i> <i>Professor of Medicine and Orthopaedic Surgery</i> <i>Associate Dean, Health Career Opportunity Programs</i> <i>Founding Director, Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative</i>
<b>Keynote Address:</b>	Gregory Jones, M.B.A. <i>Chairman &amp; Founder, The Legacy Foundation of Hartford</i>
<b>Introduction of Alumni Speaker:</b>	Marja Hurley, M.D.
<b>Alumni Remarks:</b>	Prince Morgan, D.M.D. <i>Private Practice</i> <i>St. Barnabas Hospital – General Dentistry</i> <i>University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine Class of 2008</i>
<b>Introduction of Student Speakers:</b>	Kerry-Ann Stewart, Ph.D., <i>Health Career Opportunity Programs</i> <i>Assistant Director, Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative</i> <i>Assistant Professor, Public Health Sciences</i>
<b>Student Remarks:</b>	Faith Wada, Hall High School <i>Doctors Academy – Senior Doctors Academy</i>  Jocelyn Pena, Academy of Aerospace and Engineering <i>High School Student Research Apprentice Program – CCSU</i>  Aparna Acharya, Windsor Locks High School <i>High School Student Research Apprentice Program – UCHC</i>  Aryan Lachman, Warren Harding High School <i>Pre College Academic Enrichment Program – University of Connecticut</i>  Jose Matute Galvez, University of Connecticut <i>Medical/Dental Preparatory Program – DAT</i>  Eliza Croom, Talladega College <i>Medical/Dental Preparatory Program – MCAT</i>  Christopher Morales, New York University <i>University of Connecticut School of Medicine Class of 2029</i> <i>Summer Research Fellowship Program</i>  Jahnyah Lumpkin, University of Connecticut <i>Health Disparities Clinical Summer Research Fellowship Program</i>
<b>Recognition of Faculty Award Recipient:</b>	Marja Hurley, M.D.
<b>Faculty Recognition Award Recipient:</b>	Donna Paoletta, D.M.D. <i>Associate Dean for Dental Admissions</i>
<b>Acknowledgements &amp; Closing Remarks:</b>	Marja Hurley, M.D.

### ***Great Explorations Participants***

<i>Demetrius Anton Bernard</i>	<i>Carmen Arace Middle School</i>
<i>Hira Chaudhary</i>	<i>Academy of International Studies</i>
<i>Kyle Ellis</i>	<i>Academy of International Studies</i>
<i>Josiah Lawrence</i>	<i>Covenant Preparatory</i>
<i>Deborah Olasunkanmi</i>	<i>Sport and Medical Sciences Academy</i>
<i>Jiannah Resto</i>	<i>Renzulli Gifted and Talented Academy</i>
<i>Faith Waldron</i>	<i>Sage Park Middle School</i>

### ***Jumpstart 9 Program Participants***

<i>Taba Ali</i>	<i>Hall High School</i>
<i>Stephanie Anton Bernard</i>	<i>Carmen Arace Middle School</i>
<i>Shane Brown</i>	<i>Windsor High School</i>
<i>Kaitlyn Hutchinson</i>	<i>University High School of Science and Engineering</i>
<i>Chase Jones</i>	<i>Avon High School</i>
<i>Suvam Khatiwada</i>	<i>University High School of Science and Engineering</i>
<i>Quincey Knighton</i>	<i>Connecticut River Academy</i>
<i>Adrian Mateo-Veras</i>	<i>Connecticut River Academy</i>
<i>Fareedah Obajinmi</i>	<i>Windham Technical High School</i>
<i>Chenmiao Qiu</i>	<i>Farmington High School</i>
<i>Anthony Reed</i>	<i>Farmington High School</i>
<i>Sage Sergeant</i>	<i>University High School of Science and Engineering</i>
<i>Noah Smith</i>	<i>Academy of Science and Innovation</i>
<i>Rujoun Smith</i>	<i>Renzulli Academy</i>

### ***Jumpstart 10 Program Participants***

<i>Cynthia Delgado</i>	<i>Waterbury Career Academy</i>
<i>Alyvia King</i>	<i>Bloomfield High School</i>
<i>Jerrold Lumpkin</i>	<i>East Hartford High School</i>
<i>Sophia Paci</i>	<i>East Catholic</i>
<i>Royce Richards</i>	<i>Pathways Academy of Technology and Design</i>
<i>Rayyan Sfar</i>	<i>Middletown High School</i>
<i>Ismail Siddiqui</i>	<i>Farmington High School</i>

### ***Junior Doctors Academy Participants***

<i>Zanib Chaudhary</i>	<i>University High School of Science and Engineering</i>
<i>Rohyn Daggarty</i>	<i>Connecticut River Academy at Goodwin University</i>
<i>Aisha Etemi</i>	<i>Waterbury Arts Magnet School</i>
<i>Sarah Ferrara</i>	<i>Great Path Academy at Manchester Community College</i>
<i>Antoinne Gordon</i>	<i>Ellington High School</i>
<i>Yumna Hashim</i>	<i>Berlin High School</i>
<i>Yusuf Hashim</i>	<i>Berlin High School</i>
<i>Kieanna Headley</i>	<i>Great Path Academy at MCC</i>
<i>Morasha Hippolyte</i>	<i>University High School of Science and Engineering</i>
<i>Sarah Nasiri</i>	<i>Wolcott High School</i>
<i>Abraham Olasunkanmi</i>	<i>Sport and Medical Sciences Academy</i>
<i>Safa Syed</i>	<i>Berlin High School</i>
<i>Safia Syed</i>	<i>Berlin High School</i>

### ***Senior Doctors Academy Participants***

<i>Ridima Khatiwada</i>	<i>University High School of Science and Engineering</i>
<i>Destiny Powell</i>	<i>Academy of Aerospace and Engineering</i>
<i>Kymani Skyers</i>	<i>Hartford Public High School</i>
<i>Joshua Smith</i>	<i>Academy of Science and Innovation</i>
<i>Tyrell Smith</i>	<i>Global Experience Magnet School</i>
<i>Faith Wada</i>	<i>Hall High School</i>

### ***High School Student Research Apprentice Program***

<i>Aparna Acharya</i>	<i>Windsor Locks High School</i>	<i>Justine Laureano</i>	<i>East Hartford High School</i>
<i>Zoe-Eliza Addy</i>	<i>Farmington High School</i>	<i>Seth Massiah</i>	<i>Northwest Catholic High School</i>
<i>Daniel Anton</i>		<i>Abigail Mathew</i>	<i>Glastonbury High School</i>
<i>Bernard</i>	<i>Bloomfield High School</i>	<i>Nadia Nasiri</i>	<i>Wolcott High School</i>
	<i>University High School of Science &amp; Engineering</i>	<i>Jocelyn Pena</i>	<i>Academy of Aerospace &amp; Engineering</i>
<i>Isabella Grossi-Olen</i>	<i>University High School of Science &amp; Engineering</i>	<i>Brian Truong</i>	<i>Manchester High School</i>
		<i>Maya Tuning</i>	<i>Hall High School</i>
<i>Olivia Harriott</i>	<i>Engineering</i>	<i>Jada Wilson</i>	<i>Hartford Public High School</i>
<i>Sreekirthana Kolla</i>	<i>East Granby High School</i>		

### ***Pre College Academic Enrichment Program/Pre College Research Program***

<i>Emmanuella Frimpong</i>	<i>University of Connecticut</i>
<i>Matheus Dos Santos</i>	<i>University of Connecticut</i>
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<i>Aleck McNeil</i>	<i>University of Connecticut</i>
<i>Anacabri Mercurio</i>	<i>University of Connecticut</i>
<i>Nicole Wang</i>	<i>University of Connecticut</i>
<i>Stephanie Yankson</i>	<i>University of Connecticut</i>

### ***Medical/Dental Preparatory Program Participants***

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### ***Summer Research Fellowship Program Participants***

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 Dr. Akua Sarfo  
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*UConn Extension Urban & Community Forestry Program*  
*UConn Health – Genetics & Genome Sciences*  
*UConn Health – Health Career Opportunity Programs*  
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*UConn Health – Psychiatry & Cato T. Laurencin Institute for Regenerative Engineering*  
*Trinity Health – Asylum Hill – Family Medicine*  
*Hispanic Health Council*  
*University of Connecticut – Biomedical Engineering & Bridge/Pre College Academic Enrichment Program*  
*UConn Health - Dermatology*  
*UConn Health – Orthopaedic Surgery*  
*UConn Health – Center for Regenerative Medicine & Skeletal Biology*  
*UConn Health – Biomedical Engineering*  
*UConn Health – Curricular Affairs*  
*UConn Health – Cardiology*  
*Connecticut Children's Hospital – Pediatric Nephrology*  
*UConn Health – Library*  
*Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative – Doctors Academy*  
*UConn Health – Orthopaedic Surgery*  
*Kaplan Education Center, Inc.*  
*UConn Health – Orthopaedic Surgery*  
*Trinity Health – Asylum Hill – Family Medicine*  
*UConn Health – Health Career Opportunity Programs & Public Health Sciences*  
*UConn Health – Emergency Medicine*  
*UConn Health – Neurology*  
*University of Connecticut – Ecology and Evolutionary Biology*  
*UConn Health – Oncology*  
*UConn Health – Surgery & Molecular Cardiology and Angiogenesis Lab*  
*Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative – Doctors Academy*  
*UConn Health – Neuroscience*  
*University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine – Orthodontics*  
*UConn Health – Craniofacial Sciences*  
*Connecticut Children's Medical Center – Nephrology*  
*UConn Health – Orthopaedic Surgery*  
*UConn Health – Nephrology*  
*UConn Health – Health Career Opportunity Programs*  
*Medical/ Dental Preparatory Program – Application Essay Workshop*  
*UConn Health – Pharmacy*  
*Aetna Health Professions Partnership Initiative – Doctors Academy*  
*UConn Health – Diagnostic Imaging*  
*UConn Department of Public Health Sciences*  
*UConn Health – Library*  
*UConn Health – JDH Professional Practice & Clinical Excellence*  
*Connecticut Children's Hospital – Pediatric Nephrology*  
*UConn Health – Immunology*  
*University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine – Dental Student*



### **ART Exhibit**

The Great Explorations and Doctors Academy JumpStart 9 ART Exhibit will feature artwork from the Great Explorations and JumpStart 9 Program participants that focus on the importance and connection between art, science, and health especially in physical spaces of healing.



## Keynote Speaker

**Gregory M. Jones, M.B.A.,** is a finance, mergers and acquisition corporate strategy executive, with over 30 years of assisting public and privately held manufacturing, utilities and healthcare companies grow their businesses through joint ventures, mergers and acquisitions and organically via capital raising and effective deployment of internal capital. He is a member of the Eversource Energy Board of Directors and serves on the Audit and Governance, Environmental and Social Responsibility Committees. Eversource Energy (NYSE: ES) has a market capitalization of \$25 billion and transmits and delivers electricity and natural gas and supplies water



to approximately 4 million customers in Connecticut, Massachusetts and New Hampshire. He is expert in finance, strategy development and execution, and capital raising for Fortune 500 service and manufacturing companies. As an investment banker and corporate finance executive, he has completed financings, raised and underwritten debt capital, and executed M & A transactions in excess of \$2 Billion. At United Technologies/Pratt & Whitney, he was responsible for strategic planning and business development for Space Propulsion, Military Engines and the Power Systems Business Units. He was the general manager and president of the corporate new ventures group responsible for commercializing and licensing new technologies into new and complementary businesses, opening new markets to existing businesses. He is the Vice President, Strategy and Planning for corporate social responsibility and community health and engagement for Hartford Healthcare, where he is responsible for developing

programs addressing the social determinants of health. He is the executive lead for the Hartford Region's Equity Solutions Group focused on identifying issues and developing solutions related to patient and staff challenges around diversity, equity and inclusion. He is the co-chair of the supplier diversity council for the system. Throughout his career, he has been successful in helping companies connect their products and services to communities with social sensitivity and directly translate social conscience into improved profitability. He was a founder and leader of Employee Resource Groups at United Technologies Corporation in 2002 and served as the chairman of the company's first affinity group, the African American Affinity Group. He served on the Hartford Hospital Board of Directors for six years. He has been a member of the Board of Directors for the Greater Hartford Community Foundation (The Travelers Championship PGA Golf Tournament) since 2012. He is the Co-Chair and Executive Director of The Summer Executive Workshop-Black Economic Forum is an annual collaboration on Martha's Vineyard with McKinsey and Company, The Executive Leadership Council and the Beta Iota Boule' of Sigma Pi Phi Fraternity, Inc. to address and develop strategies to address economic issues and the racial wealth gap. He is the founder and chairman of the Legacy Foundation of Hartford, a philanthropy focused on addressing disparities in education and health. He earned an MBA from the Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania, a Master's in Public Management from Carnegie Mellon University, a Bachelor of Science in Accounting from Morgan State University.

## Alumni Speaker

**Prince Morgan, D.M.D.,** Prince N. Morgan, D.M.D. is an alumnus of the University of Connecticut, School of Dental Medicine Class of 2008. Dr. Prince Morgan was born and raised in Manchester, Jamaica. He pursued higher education in the United States completing his undergraduate studies at Benedict College being awarded a Bachelor of Science in Biology, Summa cum Laude, and his Doctoral Degree in Dental Medicine from the University of Connecticut School of Dental Medicine. Dr. Morgan participated in the Medical/Dental Preparatory Program BMS component sponsored by UConn Health's Department of Health Career Opportunity Programs prior to entering dental school. He pursued a General Practice Residency at Bronx Lebanon Hospital where he also served as a Chief Resident. Dr. Morgan currently splits his time between private practice and a faculty position at St. Barnabas hospital's General Practice residency. Dr. Morgan has served in several positions of leadership including Dental Director of the Charter Oak Health Center, Clinical Site Director and GPR Director at BronxCare Healthcare Systems (formerly Bronx Lebanon Hospital). His passion lies in cosmetic dentistry and dental education. Dr. Morgan aims to improve oral health care within the lower socioeconomic communities. Outside of dentistry Dr. Morgan loves



exploring cultures through music, food and history. You can find him on weekends perusing exhibitions and/or exploring the various food spots the city has to offer.

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