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Upcoming Events

WCCHR Fall Training

A-250

Sept 26, 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM

Meet and Greet

Lasdon Terrace

Sept 3, 7:00-8:30 PM

Announcements

WCCHR would like to welcome the class of 2019 to WCMC! We look forward to meeting many of you over the course of this academic year.



Our Five Year Anniversary

WCCHR is proud to announce that the 2015-16 school year will be our fifth anniversary! In 2010, we partnered with Physicians for Human Rights (PHR) to create the nation's first student-run asylum clinic. The WCCHR student board began with a handful of students and has now grown to 25 students divided into two different divisions: Clinical Operations and Organizational Operations. To date, we have completed a total of 224 asylum evaluations, and so far, we are aware of 54 of our clients who have been granted either asylum or another form of protection to remain in the United States. In addition to conducting asylum evaluations, we have held numerous events for the medical college and the community. In particular, our yearly New York Asylum Network Luncheon has been attended by respected leaders in the human rights community, including those in law, medicine, and non-profit organizations. In 2014, we were proud recipients of the Alpha Omega Alpha Medical Student Service Leadership Project Award, an award that supports leadership development for medical students.

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Most recently, this past summer, we successfully conducted a detention center asylum evaluation. We have also been accepting an increasing number of direct cases, in addition to those referred to us by PHR. Of course, the inception of WCCHR and its groundbreaking accomplishments could not have been achieved without the help of Weill Cornell Medical College, PHR, our faculty evaluators, our student evaluators, and generous donors. Thank you for supporting us through the years!

Meet and Greet: Thai Food on the Terrace

The Weill Cornell Center for Human Rights will be hosting dinner and a casual informational session for students who are interested in becoming more involved in our organization. This event will take place on Lasdon Terrace on **Thursday, September 3, from 7:00-8:30pm**. Many student board positions will be opening up in the fall, so come join us for good food and good company if you think you may want to participate in WCCHR in a more formal capacity!

In the News

The Survivor Clinic Provides Gynecologic Care to Victims of Gender Based Violence

—*Huffington Post*, July 2015

In 2013, Dr. Julia Geynisman, a resident in the Obstetrics and Gynecology department at our very own New York Presbyterian Hospital, officially opened the doors to the Survivor Clinic with the goal of providing free gynecological care to women who have suffered through sexual violence, including those who have undergone female genital mutilation. These women are at increased risk for sexually transmitted infections that could lead to pelvic inflammatory disease and chronic pelvic pain if left untreated. They are also at increased risk of developing cervical cancer from HPV due to lack of health care access. In addition, survivors of sexual violence, like everyone else, can have chronic illnesses such as hypertension and diabetes that require medical management. The Survivor Clinic seeks to provide a window to health care resources for women who might otherwise not have access. To learn more about the Survivor Clinic, please visit <http://www.survivorclinic.org/>.



Photo credit: NYPost.com

Link to article: http://www.huffingtonpost.com/taina-bienaime/if-you-build-itthey-will-b_7785724.html

Spotlight on...

Monica Jeong, MS4

Monica Jeong is a fourth year medical student at Weill Cornell Medical College and currently a Senior Student Advisor for WCCHR. She was born and raised in Baton Rouge, Louisiana. In 2010, she graduated from Stanford University with a B.A. in Human Biology. After graduation, she worked as a clinical research coordinator in the Stanford Department of Psychiatry for 2 years. As a medical student, Monica joined WCCHR as a first year and assumed the role of Student Scheduler. She later became the Scheduling Coordinator, scheduling evaluations and acting as a liaison among Physicians for Human Rights, faculty evaluators, and the WCCHR student board. She has also acted as a student volunteer in several asylum evaluations. Because of her time as part of the WCCHR student board, Monica plans to continue incorporating human rights activities into her career as a physician.



Gabriel Tudose, MD

Dr. Gabriel Tudose, one of our new faculty evaluators, is an Assistant Professor of Clinical Psychiatry at Weill Cornell Medical College. He practices General Adult Psychiatry in the Westchester Division of Weill Cornell Psychiatry and offers consultations, pharmacological therapy, psychotherapy, and psychoanalysis. Dr. Tudose graduated from Carol Davila School of Medicine in Bucharest and completed his residency at Chicago Medical School. There, he served as Chief Resident from 2009 to 2011. He then completed his Fellowship in Sleep Medicine at the University of Michigan. For further training, he completed his Advanced Adult Psychoanalytic Training at The Chicago Institute for Psychoanalysis. Dr. Tudose received Board certification in Psychiatry and Sleep Medicine. We'd like to welcome Dr. Tudose to WCCHR!

(<https://weillcornell.org/gtudose>)

