

In 2008 the GAFP recognized the need to make the former Task Force on Student and Resident Interest a standing committee now called Student and Resident Recruitment Committee. The mission of this committee is to increase student interest in family medicine and to increase medical student selection of Georgia Family Medicine Residency programs. Our goals include:

- Increasing high school students' knowledge about family medicine as a career
- Increasing interest in pre-medical students in family medicine
- Increasing medical student interest in choosing family medicine as a career choice

As we move forward to accomplish these goals, we reach out to our GAFP members, for help. All of you can make an important impact on the future of family medicine by simply talking to your younger patients about their future career choice. Encourage those who are interested in becoming physicians to consider family medicine as a choice. While we can all empathize with the time constraints of an office visit, this simple line of questioning is one way you can make a real difference.

In addition to this, we also realize that shadowing and mentoring play a huge role in influencing young students to become interested in family medicine as a career. At this time, we are calling all members that are available to mentor to please complete the form below. This mentor listing will be made available on the GAFP website and distributed to key health advisors in community colleges around the state to be used when students express interest in shadowing a doctor.

Your commitment to this request strengthens our voice of petition to our state and medical school leaders to support initiatives that have been shown to enhance the enrollment of students who are most likely to choose a career in primary care.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact GAFP staff member and committee liaison, Khristina Newman at (404) 321-7445 or by email at knewman@gafp.org.

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