

Medical Alumni Writing Contest 2008

My Patient, My Teacher: Stories From Medical Practice



Physicians undergo the rigors of medical education and then spend their professional lives continuing to learn the latest techniques and discoveries in medicine. With this knowledge, they attempt to heal their patients and show them how to lead healthier lives. Sometimes, however, the tables are turned, and physicians find themselves learning from their patients. This kind of experience can also be deeply rewarding to the physician who finds in this encounter a revelatory reminder of why he or she went into medicine in the first place.

Contest

Write a short essay describing a patient who deepened your appreciation of medicine's extraordinary reach. Capture for your readers the excitement and joy such a patient brings to you and how that joy is then reflected back into your practice.

Deadline & Guidelines

250-750 words, MS Word, double spaced, numbered pages, title page with name, contact info and Upstate class year by April 15, 2008

Winners will be announced in June and receive recognition at Medical Alumni Weekend 2008. All entries will be considered for publication in *The Healing Muse*, SUNY Upstate Medical University's literary arts journal.

For more information, visit: (www.upstate.edu/bioethics/lm_awards.php)

Send Submissions to:

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