# **Alpha Epsilon Delta**

The Pennsylvania State University

### **Attendance:**



GBM #1

### **Teams:**

Code: 6dwzzwj

**GroupMe:** 



Monday, September 8

## Who We Are

- Alpha Epsilon Delta is a nationally recognized pre-health professions honor society
  - Pennsylvania Beta Chapter
- All students on the pre-health track (pre-medical, pre-dental, pre-PA, pre-PT, and more) are welcome!



## What We Do

- Your Pre-Health Toolbox: Providing opportunities, connections, and resources to support your journeys into healthcare
- Preparing Future Healthcare
   Leaders: Holistic understanding of medicine, philanthropic involvement, exposure to health inequities, leadership opportunities, form professional and peer connections









# 24-25 AED Recap















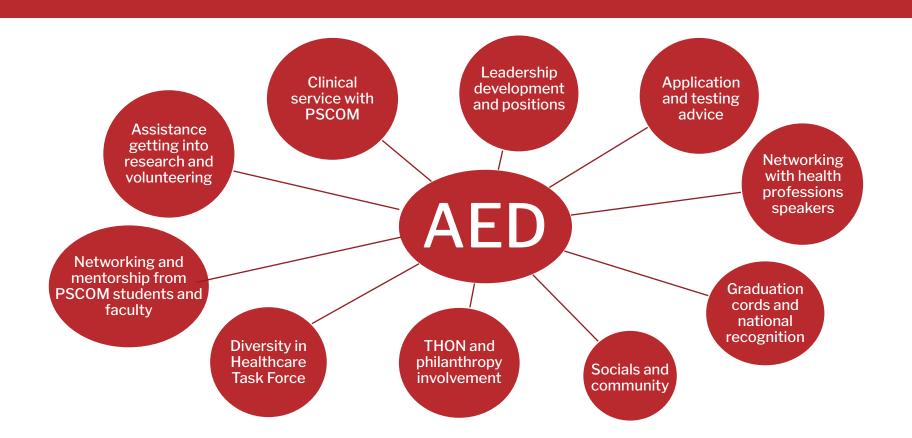








# Your Pre-Health Toolbox





**Ph.D. in Biological Science** | Carnegie
Mellon University

**B.A. in Biochemistry** | Washington & Jefferson College

# Dr. Melissa Krajcovic, Ph.D.

**Director of Pre-Health Advising** 

# 25-26 Leadership

# 25-26 Executive Board



**President** Kevin Tian



Vice President Jamie Mooney



**Secretary** Sophia Meola



**Treasurer**Sarah Vinson



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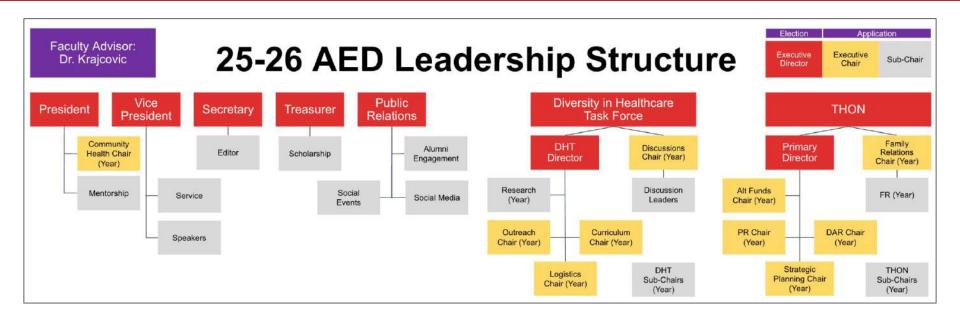


**THON Primary Chair**Justin Deekollu



**DHT Director** Eliana Garza

# 25-26 Executive Board Positions



7 Executive Director Positions → Elected 10 Executive Chair Positions → Chosen Sub-Chair Positions → Applications

# **Sub-Chair Positions**

### Why You Should Apply

- 1. Leadership Experience: Gain meaningful leadership experience from the beginning
- Build Vital Skills: Hone your skills of communication, teamwork, and project planning
- **3. Grow Your Network:** Work closely with AED's executive team, executive chairs, and external partners
- 4. Give Back to Others: Help contribute to the pre-health community at Penn State

### **Leadership Expectations**

- 1. Attendance
  - a. Attend min. 5 GBMs
  - b. Attend min. 5 AED events
- 2. Contribution + Cooperation
  - a. Accomplishes tasks on time
  - b. Supports team members
- 3. Communication
  - a. Respond in a timely manner
  - b. Notify about conflicts
- 4. Conduct
  - a. Respectful of others
  - b. Represent AED positively

Applications open at GBM 2 (Monday, September 22)!

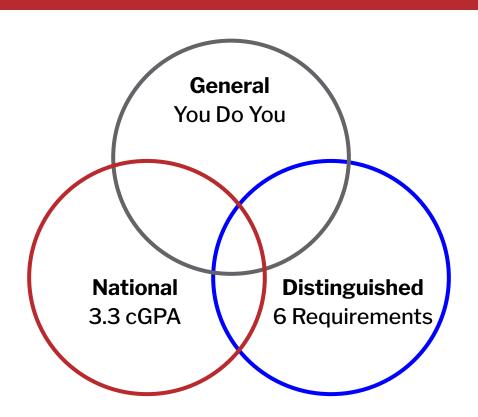
# Membership

# National and Distinguished Membership

## **National**

### **Benefits**

- Be inducted into national chapter
- Submit application in the Spring
- Provided with graduation cords
- Eligible for scholarships up to \$10,000



## **PSU**

### **General Membership**

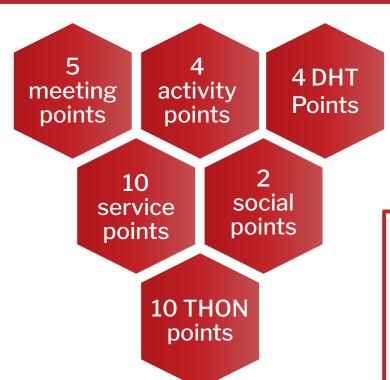
- Highly flexible
- Utilize any resources shared

### **Distinguished**

- Requires greater involvement
- Demonstrates commitment and leadership
- Eligible for incentives

# Distinguished Membership Requirements





### **INCENTIVE:**

Discounted MCAT, GRE, DAT, prep resources

# Membership Status

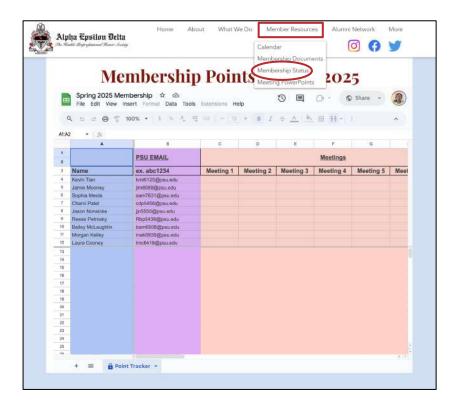
### **AED Email:**

psuaedsecretary@gmail.com

For any questions regarding membership status, please reach out to Sophia!  $\rightleftharpoons$ 

Website: aedpsu.com

Insta: @aedpsu



# **AED Communications**

### **AED ListServ**

- For: GBM reminders and recaps, external resources, etc.
  - Please check general inbox and/or spam for emails!

### \*<u>Teams</u> → Most Important

- **For:** GBM reminders, workshop announcements, service opportunities, member resources, etc.
- Review: Pinned message in "General" channel for more information

### **GroupMe**

For: GBM reminders, informal questions, member conversations, etc.

# **National Induction Packets**

If you were Nationally Inducted last spring, please remember to **pick up your induction packet** before you leave.

\*Packets will also be available at GBM 2. After that, please stop by Office Hours or schedule an appointment to pick them up.

# Office Hours

**AED Office:** HUB 207

Jamie Mooney (Vice President): Tuesdays | 12:30-1:30 PM

Sarah Vinson (Treasurer): Wednesdays | 9-10 AM

**Kevin Tian (President):** Thursdays | 12-1 PM

Use stairs/elevators by Sbarro to Floor 2 & follow signs to HUB 207!

# **Appendix Section**

Check out additional resources, opportunities, and more in our "Appendix" section at the end of this PowerPoint!

# Service

# Big Brothers Big Sisters

# Zack Maser (he/him) Big Brothers Big Sisters Case Manager

### **Contact:**

<u>zmaser@ccysb.com</u> 814-699-1890









### **OUR PROGRAMS**

### COMMUNITY

- 12-month minimum commitment
- Big & Little enjoy free/lowcost activities in the community
- Volunteer must have valid driver's license and access to a reliable insured vehicle

### BOTH

- Include thoughtfully matched volunteers (Bigs) with children/youth (Littles).
- Are supported by a professionally trained staff member AKA a Case Manager
- Necessitate a completed application, an interview, reference checks, and clearances
- Require a desire to build a relationship with a youth in need

### SITE

- One school year minimum commitment
- Big & Little meet at a site, often a local school
- Matches are supported by an on-site BBBS staff member
- Volunteer has little interaction with his/her/their Little's parent(s)/guardian(s)

# Red Cross Blood Drive | 09.16.25

- Date: Tuesday, September 16
- Time: 10 AM-4 PM
- Location: Flex Theater (HUB)
- Details:
  - Sign up on <u>Google Sheet</u> (scan QR code)
    - Volunteer → 1 service point per hour
    - Whole Blood Donor → 3 service points
    - Power Red Donor → 4 service points
  - Donor eligibility requirements <u>linked here</u>

Mention AED when you sign in!



**THON CAMPAIGN**: All presenting donors may donate on behalf of a THON org. 1 point will be awarded for a whole blood donation and 2 points for a Power Red donation. The winning org will win \$1,000, donated by the American Red Cross on behalf of that winning org!

# Bracelets for Breast Cancer Awareness



- Date: Thursday, September 18
- Time: 5-6 PM
- Location: Boucke 111
- Details:
  - Join us to help make bracelets in support of breast cancer awareness!
  - Scan QR code or click this <u>link</u> to RSVP!

# PSCOMxYMCA: Fighting Food Insecurity

### **Long-Term Service Opportunity**

- Location: Rear Wagner Building (CrossFit Gym)
- D&T: Tuesdays | 7:30-10 PM
- Details: AED, PSCOM, the YMCA Anti-Hunger Program, and other leaders in State College are partnering to pack backpacks with food for elementary students to address local food insecurity!



SignUp Genius

1 Service Point per hour

# **LION Mobile Clinic Volunteering**

## **Gain Clinical Experience and Develop Understanding of SDHs**

The LION Mobile Clinic is a student-led free clinic focused on promoting health care access and proactive health choices for under-resourced communities of Pennsylvania.

- Learn about community medicine, comprehensive healthcare services, food insecurity, and more
- Assist medical students and doctors
- Earn experience as a medical scribe
- Connect with the community



# LION Mobile Clinic Volunteering

### Flu Shot Clinic 1

- Date: Tuesday, September 30
- Time: 10:30 AM-12:30 PM
- **Location:** Schlow Library
  - o 211 S Allen St., State College
- Details: (1 volunteer & 1 EMT) Assist patients with filling out forms, EMT may be able to assist with injecting flu shots (final approval provided by director).

### Flu Shot Clinic 2

- **Date:** Sunday, October 5
- Time: 1-4 PM
- Location: Rustic Ridge Farm
  - 5193 Morgan Run Rd., West
     Decatur
- Details: (2 volunteers & 2 EMTs)
   Assist patients with forms, EMT may assist with flu shots (final approval provided by director).

Reminders & additional events to be posted on Teams!

# LionCare Clinic Partnership

LionCare is PSCOM's student-run clinic that provides free healthcare in Tyrone, PA. Its mission is to improve access to care in rural areas in central PA.

- AED sends 3 volunteers per monthly clinic ( >50 since start!)
- Volunteers assist medical students by taking patient exam notes
- Due to limited spots, please only apply if you have strong interest in primary care and/or rural medicine.

# LionCare Clinic School Supplies Drive

**Providing Necessities for Under-Resourced Communities.** 

**Drop Off:** AED Office (HUB 207, **1 Service Pt** Per Donation)

Middle and High School:		Elementary School:		
Notebooks	Pencils	Notebooks	Construction Paper	Washable
Binders	Erasers	Pencils	Pencil Cases	Markers  Plunt Tip
Pocket Folders	Highlighters	Erasers	Binders	Blunt-Tip Scissors
Pens	Pencil Cases	Folders	Colored Pencils	Lunch Box
Calculators (4 Pt)	Backpacks (4 Pt)	Crayons	Glue Sticks	Backpacks (4 Pt)

# STEMcx: Virtual Tutors October to May

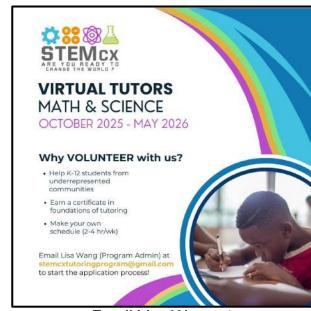
**STEMcx:** Baltimore-based organization that inspires underrepresented minority (URM) students to pursue careers in Science, Technology, Engineering, and Mathematics (STEM).

### Why You Should Join

- Help K-12 students from underrepresented communities
- Earn a certificate in foundations of tutoring
- Make your own schedule (2-4 hr/wk)

### **Application/Onboarding Process Overview:**

- Application with background information questions & review of our policy statement
- 2. A 15-minute interview with the Program Admin
- 3. A background check
- 4. Online tutoring & conduct/safeguarding training



Email Lisa Wang at <a href="mailto:stemcxtutoringprogram@gmail.com">stemcxtutoringprogram@gmail.com</a>
by Wednesday, September 17 if you're interested!

<sup>\*</sup>Steps 1-3 need to be completed before you start tutoring.

# **Long-Term Service Opportunities**

### Abba Java Coffeehouse: Website

 Contact Reverend Sarah Voigt (<u>svoigt.wesley@gmail.com</u>)

### • Centre LGBT+: Apply Here

 Assist with various educational, advocacy, and community-building events

### Centre Safe: Apply Here

- Serve as a Counselor/Advocate
- 12-week training program
- In-person or Remote Work
- More Opportunities: <u>furrutiasmith@CentreSafe.org</u>

### Centre Helps: <u>Apply Here</u>

- Serve as a Hotline Counselor Volunteer
- 7-week training program



**Long-Term Service Opps Sheet** 

# Professional Development

# **Pre-Health Advising Group Sessions**

### **Foundations Sessions**

- Gaining Experience: Research
  - Monday, Sept. 22 @ 4 PM
  - o **Zoom**
- Dental Track Overview
  - Tuesday, Sept. 23 @ 7 PM
  - 105 Osmond
- Physician Assistant Track Overview
  - Tuesday, Sept. 23 @ 6 PM
  - o **Zoom**

### **Level Up Sessions**

- Strong Letters, Strong Application
  - Tuesday, Sept. 16 @ 12 PM
  - o Zoom
- Mock MMI (RSVP required)
  - Thursday, Sept. 18 @ 5 PM
  - Lower Level Ritenour

Fill out the Prehealth Sharepoint Request Form to access the SharePoint page!

# **URFM** | Research Readiness Workshops

### **Register Here** | Attend 5+ for Certificate

- Getting Started: Ambassador Panel
  - Wed., Sept. 10 | 3:30-4:30 PM
  - Zoom
- Ask a Faculty Researcher
  - Wed., Sept. 17 | 3:30-4:30 PM
  - Zoom
- Summer Research Opportunities
  - Wed., Oct. 22 | 3:30-4:30 PM
  - Zoom



Visit <u>URFM</u> for more information and resources!

# Career Services | Fall Career Days

### **Build Your Network, Find Internships, Discover Possibilities**

- Date: September 16-19, 2025
  - Different days have different companies and focus.
- Time: 11 AM 4 PM
  - **Location:** Bryce Jordan Center, University Park Campus
- Students and Recent Alumni → <u>Linked Here</u>

Check out the <u>PSU Career Services Website</u> for more information!

# Career Services Workshop | 09.23.25

### Marketing Your Skills and Experience for What Employers Want

**D&T:** Tuesday, September 23 | 6-7 PM

**Location:** Boucke 306

**Details:** Do you have what today's employers are looking for? Stand out from the crowd! Learn how to capture all your academic, professional, and leadership experiences to match what employers are looking for in your future profession.

# CapYear Clinical Exp. Workshop | 09.29.25

# Getting Clinical Experience: What Matters Most to Employers

**D&T:** Monday, September 29 | 6-7 PM

**Location:** On Zoom (RSVP)

**Details:** CapYear Academy's CEO, R.T. Arnold, will share key strategies for pre-health students looking to gain valuable clinical experience. Learn which types of practices are most likely to offer opportunities, how to avoid common mistakes in job applications and interviews, and what employers value most in resumes!



### **RSVP HERE**

If you can't make it, you can also sign up to **CapYear's job board** at <u>jobs.capyear.co</u> to get clinical jobs for pre-health
students delivered to their inbox. It's free and easy to create a
profile and start applying to clinical positions!

# Diversity in Healthcare Task Force (DHT)

# Diversity in Healthcare Conference

- Hosted annually each spring semester
  - Sunday, March 1, 2026
- Goal: To educate pre-health students about healthcare disparities and how to ideate potential solutions
- Established: Founded by PSU AED in 2021
- Unique: Only school to host this type of student-run conference

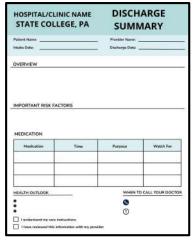






# **Diversity in Healthcare Conference**







### **Discussions (AED x MAPS)**

- ~3 discussions per semester
- Group presentations on healthcare disparities followed by discussions

### **Conference**

 2 professional speakers, catered lunch, and a certificate from PSCOM

### **Solution Phase**

- Student groups work with a BRIDGE mentor to prepare a solution proposal
- Groups will present ideas to a panel of professional judges

### **Implementation Phase**

 Winners are awarded \$3,500 to implement their solution in Centre County during the following year

# DHT Executive Team



Eliana Garza Conference Director

Manages entire DHT Team & Sponsors' point of contact



**Srita Pulivarthi**Advertising

Participation and outreach



Alyssa Dass Curriculum

Researches topics, case studies, and discussion points



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Day-of-Conference planning



**Dara l'anson** Discussions

Coordinates year long discussion groups related to conference theme

# Join the DHT Team

# Application | Linked Here | Due by Mon., Sept. 22 Advertising

- Design graphics
- Reach out to professors & other organizations
- Update social media and website

### Curriculum

- Develop conference topics/sub-themes
- Find relevant case studies
- Reach out to speakers

### Logistics

- Plan day-of-conference details
- Edit pre- and post-conference survey
- Analyze data

### **Discussions\***

- Facilitate discussion sessions
- Build confidence speaking about medical inequities



\*Discussion Leader Applications

Open: Monday, Sept. 8

Close: Friday, Oct. 3



# **Social Activities**

# Overview

- Game Nights
- Socials
- IM Sports
- Pickleball
- Tailgates
- Formal
- Always open to ideas!













# **Beginning of Year Social**

**Meet other members in the club!** 

Date: Friday, Sept. 12

Time: Start at 9:00 PM

Scan the QR code to be added to GroupMe for further info!



**Link** 



# 25-26 THON Leadership Team



**Justin Deekollu** Primary Chair



Logan Eisaman Alternative Fundraising Chair



Addison Firestone Family Relations Chair



Isabella Bautista-Santiago Strategic Planning Chair



Siya Kakadia Donor and Alumni Relations Chair

## What is THON?

- THON<sup>TM</sup> is the world's largest student-run philanthropy
- Raised over 17 million dollars last year
- Culminates in a 46-hour dance marathon on February 20-22
- No pediatric cancer patient at Penn State Children's Hospital in Hershey pays a single cent for their treatment









# **Meet our THON Families**

# The **CLARA** Shepps Family





Fam in DC!

Puppy "Emmie"



# The **MARY** Torres Family

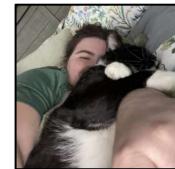








Cat "Dibs"

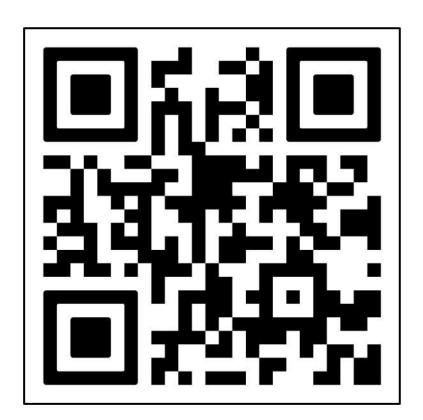


# THON™ Sub-Chairs

- Looking For: 3 Sub-Chairs
- Responsibilities:
  - Helping out generally with all THON-related tasks
  - Includes managing the social media, communicating with families, planning events, contacting businesses, engaging with alumni, etc.
- Due: Please submit the brief application by GBM 2 (Monday, September 22).

**Application will open after the GBM!** 

# Make a DonorDrive



# **THON Info Session**

**D&T:** Wednesday, September 10 | 5-6 PM **Location:** Willard 169

Follow the AED THON Instagram!



# **Alpha Epsilon Delta**

The Pennsylvania State University

### **Attendance:**



GBM #2

### **Teams:**

Code: 6dwzzwj

**GroupMe:** 



Monday, September 22

# Appendix

# **AED Resources Folder**

- Long-Term Volunteer
   Opportunities
- Volunteer Hours Tracker
- Preceptorship Sample Email
- THON Information
- THON Donor Drive 101
- More to be added!



# Conversations to Remember: Virtual Opp.

**Details:** Conversations to Remember is a nonprofit dedicated towards combating loneliness and isolation felt by senior citizens.

- 2-3 college students matched with older adults for virtual video visits ~1 hour/week for at least 16 weeks to develop meaningful relationships with the seniors.
- Mandatory training is provided to students in the program.
  - Best ways to interact with the older adults & additional regular support.
- Opportunities for additional volunteer hours are possible with other volunteering options such as assisting with social media, call support, outreach, etc.
  - Current volunteering roles are listed <u>here</u>.

Contact: Jasmyn Gordon

jasmyn.gordon@conversationstoremember.org



### Who We Are

Conversations to Remember is a 501(c)(3) charity whose mission is to combat feelings of isolation and loneliness among senior citizens. We facilitate weekly video calls with senior citizens, including those with dementia, with the goal of creating intergenerational friendships.

Young adult college students will engage in virtual visits with a senior citizens. These seniors are lonely, and are excited to speak with you. Each video call will have 2-3 student volunteers matched with one senior. The calls will be for one hour, at the same time each week. You will only be matched for a call at a time when you are available. You must commit to continuing in the program for at least 4 months. Conversations to Remember will provide you with training and support.

### How You Can Get Involved













email: info@ConversationstoRemember.org