

SNUCMAA-NA Progress Report

As a recipient of the 2025-2026 Seoul National University College of Medicine Alumni Association of North America (SNUCMAA-NA) Dr. Sechin Cho and Mrs. Young Cho scholarship, I am honored to share how the scholarship money was used to allow for my scholarly activities during my first year of medical school at Rush Medical College.

In September 2025, I was able to volunteer at the St. James Health Fair, which is a free health clinic in Chicago's Chinatown, serving much of the Asian American and immigrant communities in need of health screening and education. I helped collect blood pressure and check patients in for their free visit, alongside other medical students in the Asian Pacific American Medical Student Association (APAMSA). With the support of the Dr. Sechin Cho and Mrs. Young Cho scholarship, I have been able to volunteer at events like the St. James Health Fair to promote healthcare



access to Asian and underserved communities.



Additionally, I have become the President of Rush's APAMSA chapter. I am in charge of leading this student group that supports the Asian American and Pacific Islander students and community at Rush and the greater Chicago area. I had the wonderful opportunity in February 2026 to attend the National APAMSA Conference at UCSF in San Francisco, California, where I was able to expand my network and knowledge of Asian American health and advocacy. I hope to continue to use my position and funding to promote health access to underserved Asian communities in Chicago.

Through support from SNUCMAA, I have also been able to take on numerous leadership and research positions. I am currently a co-leader for the Psychiatry Interest Group and Teen Mental Health Workshop Community Service Organizations, where I am enhancing my career path and knowledge of psychiatry. Additionally, I am a part of a research team examining women's mental health, focusing specifically on the menopausal transition. Finally, I am able to promote my own health and well-being through the Dr. Sechin Cho and Mrs. Young Cho scholarship, allowing me to be the best medical student I can be. I have passed all of my courses thus far and have received lots of positive feedback from faculty and peers.

Thank you for your support, and I am honored to be a recipient of this scholarship.