Dear Pre-Health Students,

My name is Manish Mishra and I am a doctor from Dartmouth who teaches at our medical school and public health school. Among other roles, I am also an admissions officer at our medical school and I am seeing an unfortunate pattern in our applicants every year. We are seeing the brightest, most well-rounded students in the country leave behind the fun things that make them interesting in order to tick imaginary boxes that supposedly make them better candidates for graduate education. This is a disservice to the inspired students you are, the health care professional you’ll become, and the patients who will be counting on you.

To change this trajectory, my colleagues and I have started a new initiative called the Dartmouth Health Care Foundations. This is a week-long summer program that runs from July 13-17, 2020 and we want to extend a warm invitation to those among you who want to be future leaders in health care. During this week we bring together our top faculty at Dartmouth from all disciplines and explore different aspects of Opioid Addiction - particularly through the lens of global health, music, religion, film, medicine and public health research. Our summer faculty include Ministers of Health, Directors of Admissions at our medical school, doctors, health care researchers, health policy advisors, humanities professors, and professional athletes.

So if you want to think about a more holistic approach to working in health care, be it as a doctor, researcher, policy advisor, nurse, or any other aspect of public health - come join us next summer. If you are interested, check out the link below and see if this aligns with how you see your future. Part of our mission is to change the way students are brought into working in health care - not just at Dartmouth - but across the country.

On behalf of my team at Foundations, we hope to hear from you soon!

Sincerely,
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