Spend four weeks immersed in a medical school setting, working through Indian health case studies, and applying science and health concepts to real-life scenarios. You’ll also:

• Learn from Native American students, faculty and professionals
• Explore careers and specialties in six health disciplines, including dental, medical, nursing, pharmacy, public health and veterinary medicine
• Receive academic guidance toward your individual goals
• Learn traditional Anishinaabe and Dakota teachings on wellness
• Prepare to apply to medical school or other graduate studies
• Build friendships with other future health professionals like you
• Earn a stipend and have the opportunity to live in campus housing at a subsidized rate

Discover your future at CAIMH’s Native Americans into Medicine

In the NAM program, students learn through a variety of approaches, from panel discussions with current medical students to lab work to job shadowing in preferred career areas.
Who We Are & What We Do
The Center of American Indian and Minority Health (CAIMH) is part of the University of Minnesota Medical School, located on the Duluth campus. Our school's mission is to increase the number of Native American and rural physicians. CAIMH furthers that mission by recruiting and supporting Native American medical students.

CAIMH also hosts seminars and helps develop medical school curriculum to prepare all our students to provide better care for their Native patients.

The University of Minnesota Medical School is second in the nation for graduating the most American Indian physicians, and we have our eye on being number one.

In addition to our work within the medical school, CAIMH offers educational enrichment programs for kindergarten through pre-medical students. We primarily serve American Indian communities in Minnesota, Wisconsin and northern Michigan.

The Center’s Mission
The Center of American Indian and Minority Health strives to raise the health status of American Indians and Alaska Natives by recruiting and educating Native American medical students, increasing awareness of American Indian health care issues and conducting research that serves the health interests of Native American communities.

For Healthy People
For Strong Communities
For All of Us

Frequently Asked Questions

When is the NAM program? Native Americans into Medicine is a four-week summer program. Sessions meet Monday through Friday, with evenings and weekends free. NAM Program dates: June 26-July 21, 2017

Where is NAM? This program takes place at the University of Minnesota Medical School Duluth. Housing is available in campus apartments. The city of Duluth, on the shore of Lake Superior, offers plenty of outdoor recreation and a thriving arts community.

Who can come? NAM is for college students and graduates working toward careers in medicine, research or allied health professions. For specific eligibility questions, talk with a CAIMH staff person.

How do I apply? Request an application packet from your academic advisor, directly from CAIMH, or download one from our website.

When do I apply? We begin accepting applications in late January each year. The deadline to submit an application is May 1, 2017.

What if this isn’t the right program for me? CAIMH offers programs for students in many different stages of education. Visit www.caimh.umn.edu or contact our office to learn more!

I have more questions. We would love to talk with you – see the back of this brochure for our contact information.