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American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine and Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center Extend Medical Student Education Agreement

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CORAL GABLES, Fla.--(BUSINESS WIRE)-- American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine (AUC) and Bronx-Lebanon Hospital Center (Bronx-Lebanon) have signed a 10-year affiliation agreement to enable AUC medical students to complete clinical training in the hospital. This agreement builds on a six-year collaboration that has enabled more than 1,000 AUC students to train at Bronx-Lebanon, the largest voluntary not-for-profit healthcare system serving the South and Central Bronx areas of New York.

“Bronx-Lebanon provides critically-needed care for an ethnically diverse and medically-underserved patient population. Students who rotate there develop clinical skills while being exposed to how socioeconomic conditions and situations impact patients’ health,” said Heidi Chumley, M.D., executive dean and chief academic officer at AUC. “This is an excellent training opportunity for our students, and a major component of the pipeline of new doctors to address New York’s physician shortage.”

Through the agreement, each year 48 AUC students will be able to complete 48 weeks of core clinical rotations with Bronx-Lebanon’s departments of family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, general surgery, obstetrics/gynecology, and psychiatry. Another 52 elective rotations will be available each year of the agreement. Under the supervision of Bronx-Lebanon physicians and residents, AUC students will take patient histories, conduct physical examinations, present cases and assist with medical procedures.

As part of the agreement, AUC will provide financial and technical support for the development of an onsite medical simulation center. The center will include six exam bays, adult and adolescent simulation rooms, and a learning facility—all of which will be available to rotating medical students.

AUC has clinical training affiliations with 21 U.S. hospitals and health systems, and Bronx-Lebanon is the university’s largest. In 2016, 268 AUC students trained at the hospital. Nearly 200 AUC graduates currently practice in the state of New York.

About American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine

Founded in 1978, American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine (AUC) is one of the oldest medical schools in the Caribbean. Dedicated to developing physicians with a lifelong commitment to patient-centered care, AUC embraces collaboration, inclusion, and community service. With a campus in St. Maarten, affiliated teaching hospitals in the United States and the United Kingdom, and internationally-recognized faculty, AUC has a diverse medical education program for today's globally-minded physician. More than 6,000 graduates of AUC are providing care around the world. AUC is part of DeVry Education Group (NYSE:DV). For more information visit aucmed.edu or follow AUC on Twitter (@aucmed).

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