



A message from Dean Andrew T. Filak, Jr., MD

Dear Alumni:

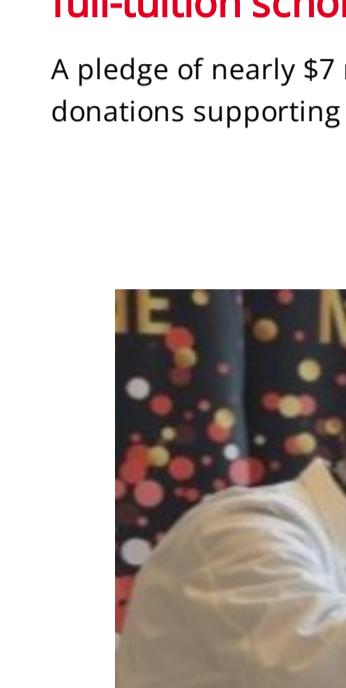
I hope that you and those important to you are doing well and have been staying healthy throughout this pandemic. The College of Medicine two months ago began its 201st academic year, one unlike any other in memory. We welcomed 182 fantastic first-year students — our Class of 2024 — with much of Orientation Week a virtual experience. When not online, we were able to bring students together in small groups of less than 10, properly physically distanced and masked, each day. Through it all, the students adapted and accepted the circumstances and made the best of it.

Our annual White Coat Ceremony also was virtual. Each new student individually received their coat from Philip Diller, MD, PhD, senior associate dean for educational affairs. I want to sincerely thank all alumni who sponsored white coats for our new students this year; your generosity is very much appreciated by the college and students.

Perhaps the highlight of the year so far has been naming 10 first-year students as recipients of Gustin-Webster Scholarships. This new full-tuition, four-year scholarship was funded by an anonymous donor and will be awarded to 10 students each year through 2023.

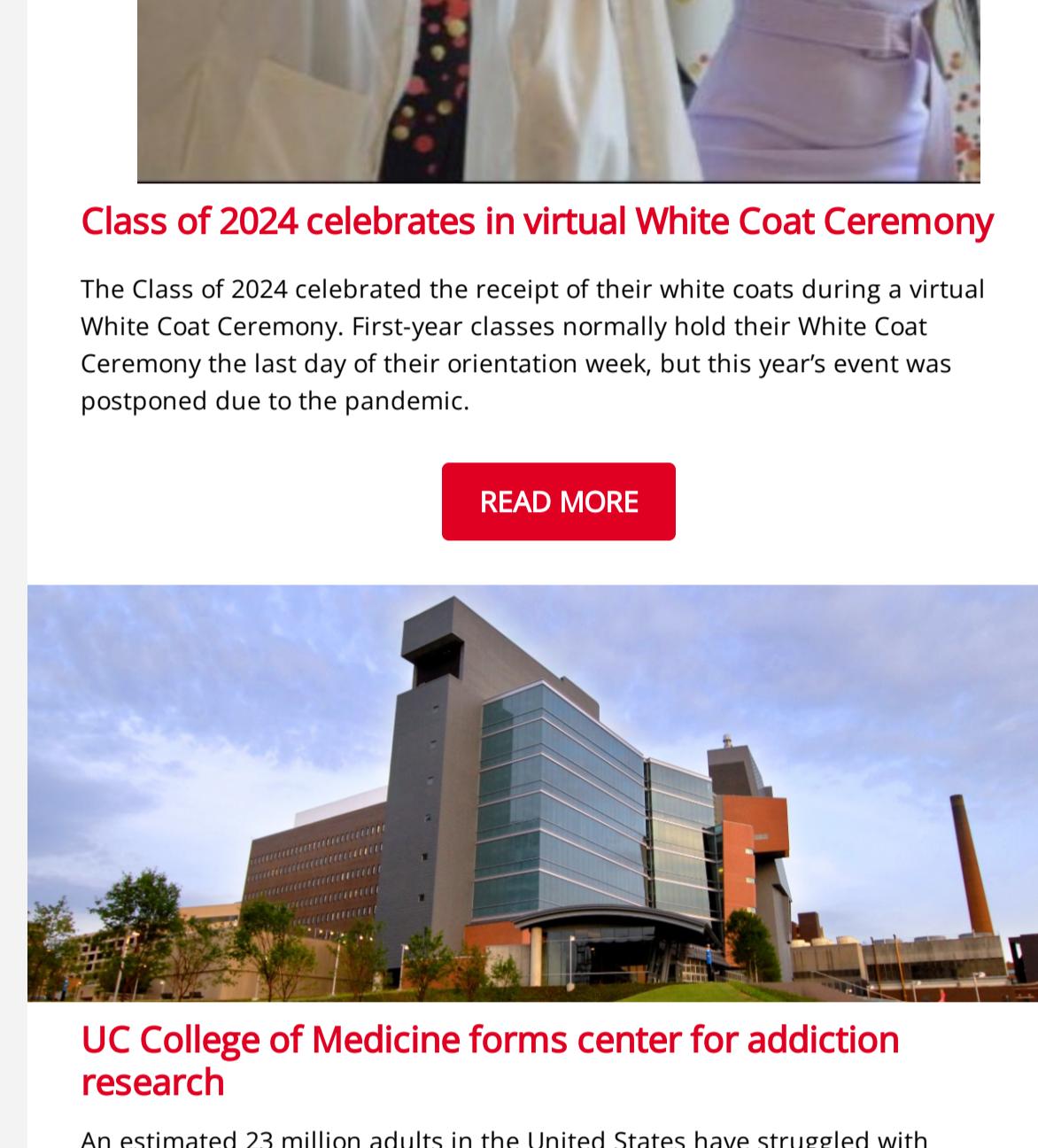
Thank you for your continued support of the College of Medicine. Stay well!

Sincerely,



Andrew T. Filak, Jr., MD

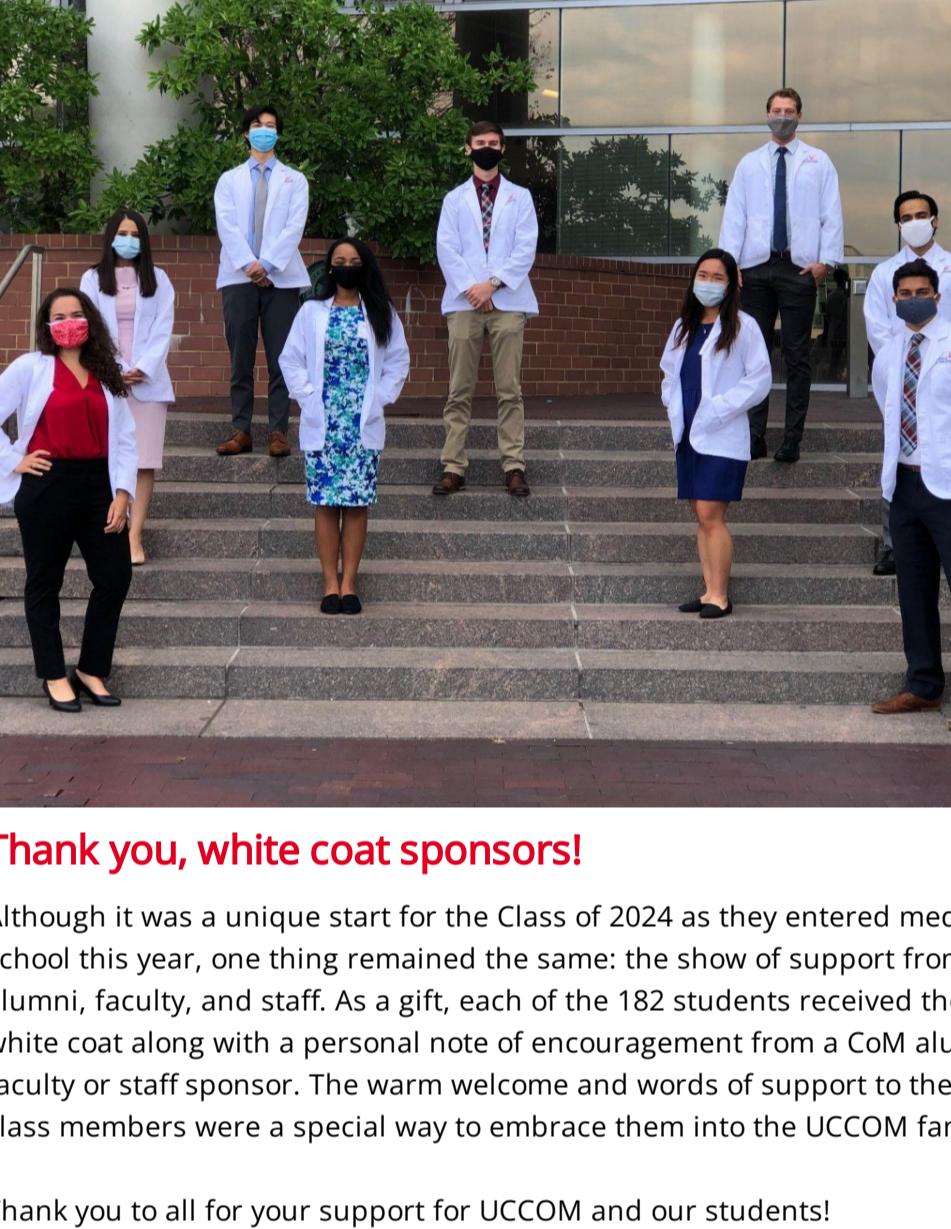
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Nearly \$7 million gift to College of Medicine will provide full-tuition scholarships for 40 medical students

A pledge of nearly \$7 million to the College of Medicine is one of the largest donations supporting student scholarships in the college's history.

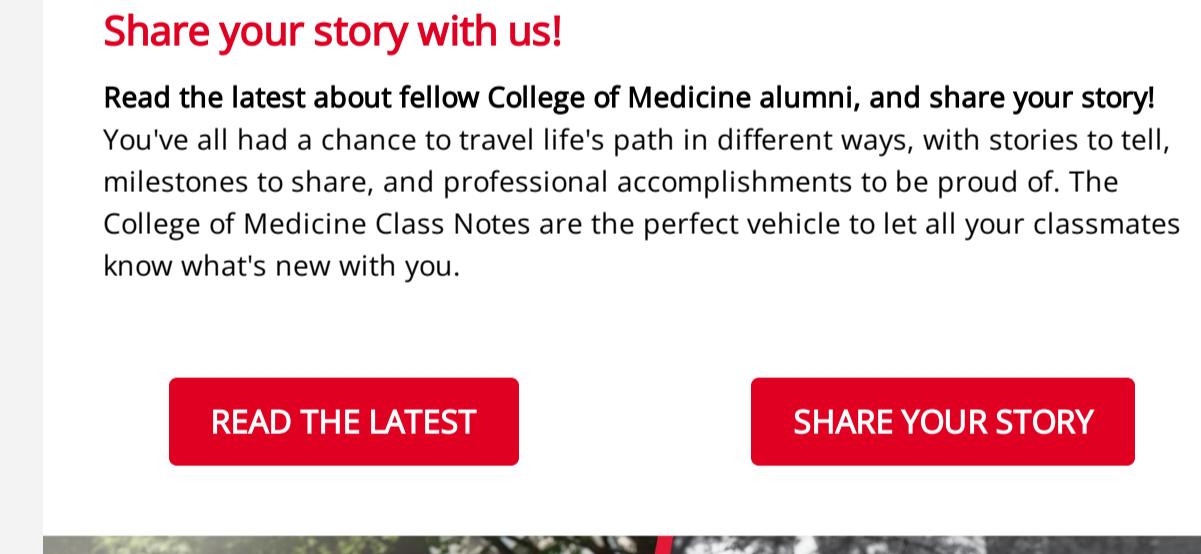
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Class of 2024 celebrates in virtual White Coat Ceremony

The Class of 2024 celebrated the receipt of their white coats during a virtual White Coat Ceremony. First-year classes normally hold their White Coat Ceremony the last day of their orientation week, but this year's event was postponed due to the pandemic.

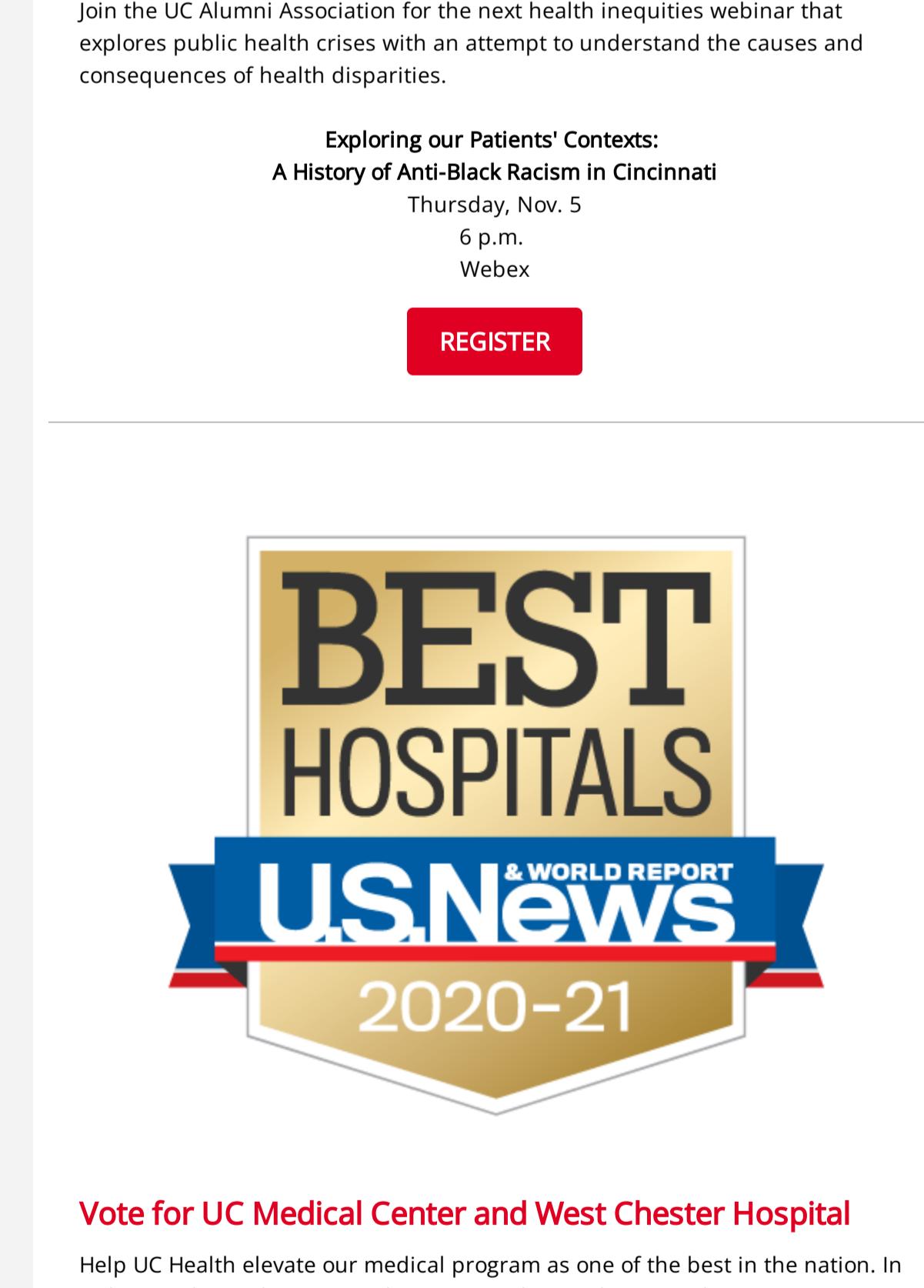
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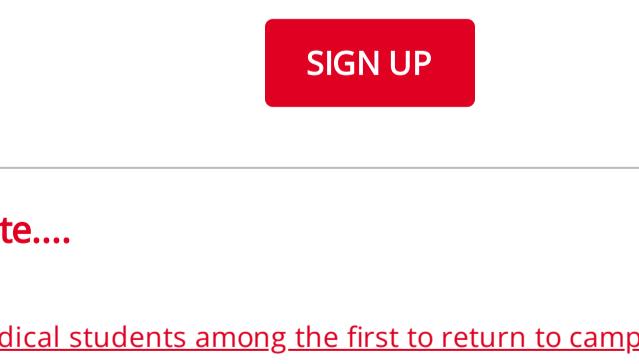
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Thank you, white coat sponsors!

Although it was a unique start for the Class of 2024 as they entered medical school this year, one thing remained the same: the show of support from our alumni, faculty, and staff. As a gift, each of the 182 students received their white coat along with a personal note of encouragement from a CoM alum, faculty or staff sponsor. The warm welcome and words of support to the new class members were a special way to embrace them into the UCCOM family!

Thank you to all for your support for UCCOM and our students!

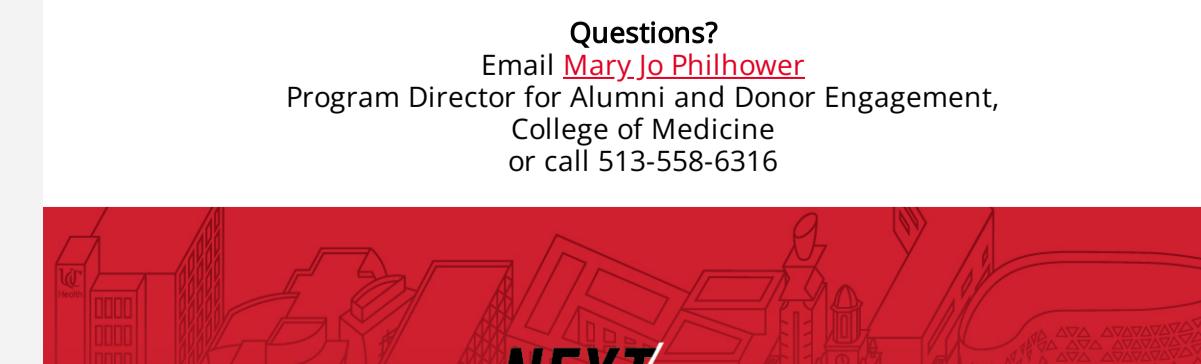


Share your story with us!

Read the latest about fellow College of Medicine alumni, and share your story! You've all had a chance to travel life's path in different ways, with stories to tell, milestones to share, and professional accomplishments to be proud of. The College of Medicine Class Notes are the perfect vehicle to let all your classmates know what's new with you.

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Join the UC Alumni Association for the next health inequities webinar that explores public health crises with an attempt to understand the causes and consequences of health disparities.

Exploring our Patients' Contexts:
A History of Anti-Black Racism in Cincinnati

Thursday, Nov. 5

6 p.m.

Webex

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