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Local student becomes a new member of the Student National Medical Association's (SNMA) Board of Directors

The 2014 SNMA Annual Medical Education Conference (AMEC) was held in Washington, DC on April 16th-20th. It was at this convention that Camilla L. Mills was elected to the position of Region IV Regional Director. At the 2014 AMEC, medical students and professionals gathered to attend a wide range of educational and networking events. It is consistently the largest gathering of underrepresented minority medical students at any time of the year in any place in the nation. More than 4,000 medical and pre-medical students, physicians, exhibitors, administrators, government officials, and observers attended the 2014 AMEC. It is truly a distinct honor for Camilla L. Mills to be elected to her position.

Camilla L. Mills, from Cary, NC, attended Millbrook High School, UNC-Greensboro (undergrad-BS in biology), North Carolina Central University (Master's degree-biology), and is a current 3rd year MD candidate at Morehouse School of Medicine. One of her key interests involves mentorship for minorities interested in careers in medicine and she is considering a career in Pediatrics.

The theme of the 2014 AMEC was *Fifth Years, One Mission: Diversifying the Face of Medicine.* The SNMA follows its mission by creating programming initiatives to support current and future underrepresented minority medical students. Members simultaneously address the needs of underserved communities. The SNMA also works to increase the number of clinically excellent, culturally competent, and socially conscious physicians. For more information, please visit www.snma.org.

About SNMA

Founded in 1964 by medical students from Howard University School of Medicine and Meharry Medical College, the Student National Medical Association (SNMA) is the nation's oldest and largest, independent, student-run organization focused on the needs and concerns of medical students of color. Organized with chapters across the nation, the SNMA membership includes over 7,000 medical students, pre-medical students and physicians. SNMA is dedicated to increasing the number of African-American, Latino, and other students of color entering and completing medical school and to assisting in the eradication of racial and ethnic health disparities. SNMA community service and mentoring programs provide science appreciation, health care education, mentoring, and academic enrichment to elementary, junior high school, high school and college students interested in pursuing health-related careers.