



SAMA E bulletin for September 2010

Dear Colleagues, Ramadan Kareem,

1. SAMA E-clinic

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Case of the month is a Diabetes case written by **Ihab Babiker Abdalrahman**, MD, Assistant Professor of Medicine, University of Khartoum, Sudan.

It is reviewed by **Tarik Elhadd**, MD FRCP FRCPE CCST, Professor of Medicine & Endocrinology, Khartoum, Sudan.

Image of the month is a Pediatrics picture written by **Ezzeldin Saleh**, MD, FAAP. Pediatrician, Franciscan Skemp - Mayo Health System, La Crosse, Wisconsin, USA. It is reviewed by **Lee Johnson**, MD, FAAP. Pediatrician, also of Franciscan Skemp - Mayo Health System, La Crosse, Wisconsin, USA.

Please email your clinical cases, and educational images to admin@sama-sd.org.

2. SAMA program for supporting Residency Match Applicants

To date 25 colleagues have benefited from our networking services in one way or the other. With the beginning of the application season (9/1/2010) we expect this number to increase.

A. Observerships

We would like to thank our colleagues who have sponsored observerships/written letters of recommendation for Sudanese physicians in the following specialties/cities:

- Internal Medicine, Baltimore, MD
- Internal Medicine, Detroit, MI
- Internal Medicine, Chicago, IL
- Internal Medicine, Yakima, WA
- Pediatrics, La Crosse, WI
- Psychiatry, San Francisco, CA
- Surgery, Indianapolis, IN
- Surgery, Rochester, MN

However, we still need observorship positions for Residency applicants in the following specialties/cities:

- Internal Medicine, Philadelphia area, PA
- Pediatrics, Seattle area, WA
- Internal Medicine, any location in USA

Feedback from applicants over the last 2 years has shown that sponsoring an observership is the most effective way the Sudanese medical community can support residency applicants in the increasingly competitive residency match.

If you can sponsor an observership, please email us admin@sama-sd.org

B. Personal Statement Review

We would like to thank our colleagues who have assisted with this task:

- Abdalla Zaroug, Assistant Professor of Pediatric Surgery, Mayo clinic, Rochester, MN
- Louai Bilal, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry, San Francisco, CA
- Ezzeldin Saleh, Pediatrician, La Crosse, WI
- Salma Elfaki, Pediatrician, Orlando, FL
- Eman Khairi, Family Medicine attending, Washington DC, DC
- Mohamed Hago Mohamed, Pulmonary/Critical Care Fellow, Madison, WI
- Mustafa Hassan, Cardiology Fellow, Gainesville, FL
- Osman Mahdi, Fellow in Robotic Surgery, Chicago, IL
- Waleed Ali, Nephrology Fellow, Denver, CO
- Salah Abusin, Cardiology Fellow, Chicago, IL
- Nisrin Awad Fadul, Pediatrics Resident, Detroit, MI

If you can review a personal statement please email us admin@sama-sd.org

C. Overnight accommodation/Airport transportation

SAMA members have offered to and from Airport transportation for interviews/exams in:

- Detroit, MI
- Chicago, IL
- Minneapolis, MN
- Rochester, MN
- St. Louis , MO
- Chattanooga, TN
- Boston, MA

SAMA members have offered overnight accommodation for interviews/exams in:

- Detroit area, MI (males and females)
- Gainesville, FL (males and females)
- Orlando, FL (females only)
- Chicago, IL (males only)
- Minneapolis, MN (males and females)
- Rochester, MN (males and females)
- St. Louis , MO (females only)
- Madison, WI (males and females)
- Chattanooga, TN (females only)
- Boston, MA

For applicants, if you are travelling to any of the above please send your travel date, city, and purpose of travel (exam or interview) at least 2 weeks before your travel date to connect you to our SAMA member.

For all, if you can help with airport transportation/overnight accommodation including the above mentioned cities please email us admin@sama-sd.org

4. Membership fees & contributions

If you haven't paid your membership fees please mail a check for \$50 to "SAMA" , to the following address:

SAMA,
P.O. Box 38 ,
La Crosse, WI,
54602-0038

If you have made pledges for additional contributions during the annual meeting. Please mail them to the same address.

5. Spreading the word

Currently we have 237 Sudanese physicians in the USA on our mailing list, this is much lower than the total number of physicians in USA , so please spread the word about SAMA and what we are doing by forwarding this email to all your contacts.

SAMA Administration