

NORTHWESTERN UNIVERSITY GLOBAL HEALTH EDUCATION & COMMUNITY SERVICES PROGRAM

DOCTORS WITHOUT BORDERS EVENTS AND COLLABORATION WITH THE
DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY MEDICINE- SEPTEMBER 2007

The Department of Family Medicine partnered with Doctors Without Borders/ Medecins Sans Frontieres for two events in September. Doctors Without Borders visited Chicago the week of September 19- 23rd with the "Refugee Camp in the Heart of the City" educational exhibit and awareness campaign. On September 20th, the Global Health Education & Community Services program and the Department of Family Medicine hosted "Put Your Ideals into Practice" an information and recruitment event in Hughes Auditorium. A Doctors Without Borders human resources associate, a surgeon and a logistics coordinator discussed employment opportunities and provided information about working in the field. Over 100 students, residents and physicians attended the event. Doctors without Borders staff expressed interest in organizing the event at Northwestern University in future years. The GHECS coordinator will be in contact with MSF once they return from their tours in the Midwest. The GHECS office advertised the recruitment event to the Northwestern and Evanston Northwestern communities. MSF advertised the event to other area hospitals and universities. In addition, the GHECS program and the Doctors without Borders event were featured on the Feinberg School of Medicine home page as a newsworthy event.

<http://www.feinberg.northwestern.edu/newsworthy/2007D-September/doctors.html>

The GHECS program also coordinated with AMSA, NUAID and GlobeMed student leaders to organize a group tour of the mock refugee camp exhibit in Grant Park on Saturday, September 22nd. Around 50 students attended the tour. The leaders of the various student groups gave positive feedback about the tour.