Mayo Clinic CARES Arizona Program
FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)

When is the application period?
February 15 – March 15, 2021

How do I apply?
Please complete the online application, in full, by 8:00am Arizona on March 15th. Due to the high volume of applicants, incomplete applications will not be reviewed.

Who can apply?
Current Arizona high school freshmen, sophomores, and juniors.

Can out-of-state residents participate?
Only Arizona residents will be accepted. This pipeline program is intended to strengthen Arizona communities, and will involve long-term mentorship throughout the year after the five week program ends.

When will I be notified if I am accepted into the program?
All applicants will be notified by April 7, 2021.

Is there a cost to participate?
No, there is no cost.

What is involved in this program?
Students will gain exposure to a broad spectrum of the healthcare industry. They will actively participate in lectures, team-building exercises, and virtual experiential activities. It is expected that students will participate in daily journaling and present their experience at the end of the program via a presentation and a short paper.

Will mentoring be involved?
Yes, long term mentoring is in fact encouraged in this program to ensure the continued success of the participants.

Do I need a permission slip or letter from my parent/guardian in order to participate in the program?
The online application will request your parent’s/guardian’s permission to apply along with requesting their email for confirmation.

Are there any family/guardian expectations?
Yes, they are expected to help facilitate student connecting to the program and any supporting work.

Can I apply with my resume or differently than the online application?
Only online applications will be considered within the deadline. Special requests of the PDF version can be requested by emailing officeforeducationdiversity@mayo.edu.

How long is the program?
Four weeks from June 7th – July 1st

What days/hours is the program taking place?
Tuesdays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays from 10am-2pm.

Where is the program held?
Due to the COVID environment and to keep our students safe, the 2021 Summer program will be 100% virtual.

Can I miss part of the program or do I have to participate every day?
Given the competitive and immersive nature of this program, all four weeks are expected to be attended by students. Up to two days can be missed due to emergency circumstances.

Am I responsible for my own computer?
Yes, connecting with a laptop/notepad and accompanying internet connectivity is a requirement for participation for the greatest success. A small equipment stipend will be offered based on needs/requests.