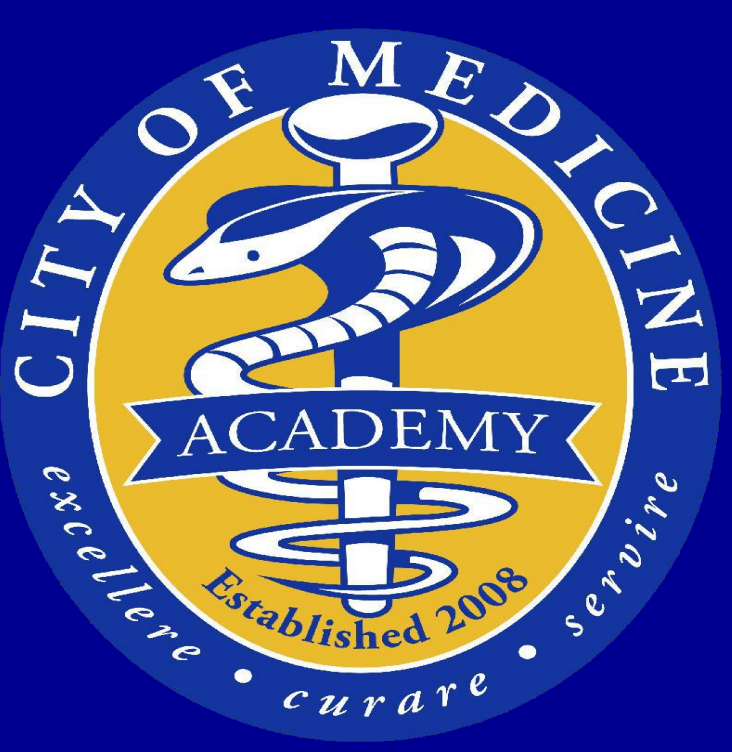




Getting Involved: Recruiting the Male Nurses of the Future

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Introduction

The Duke Chapter of the American Assembly of Men in Nursing or DAAMN:

- Committed to supporting the diversification of the nursing profession
- Dedicated to influence research and education about men in nursing

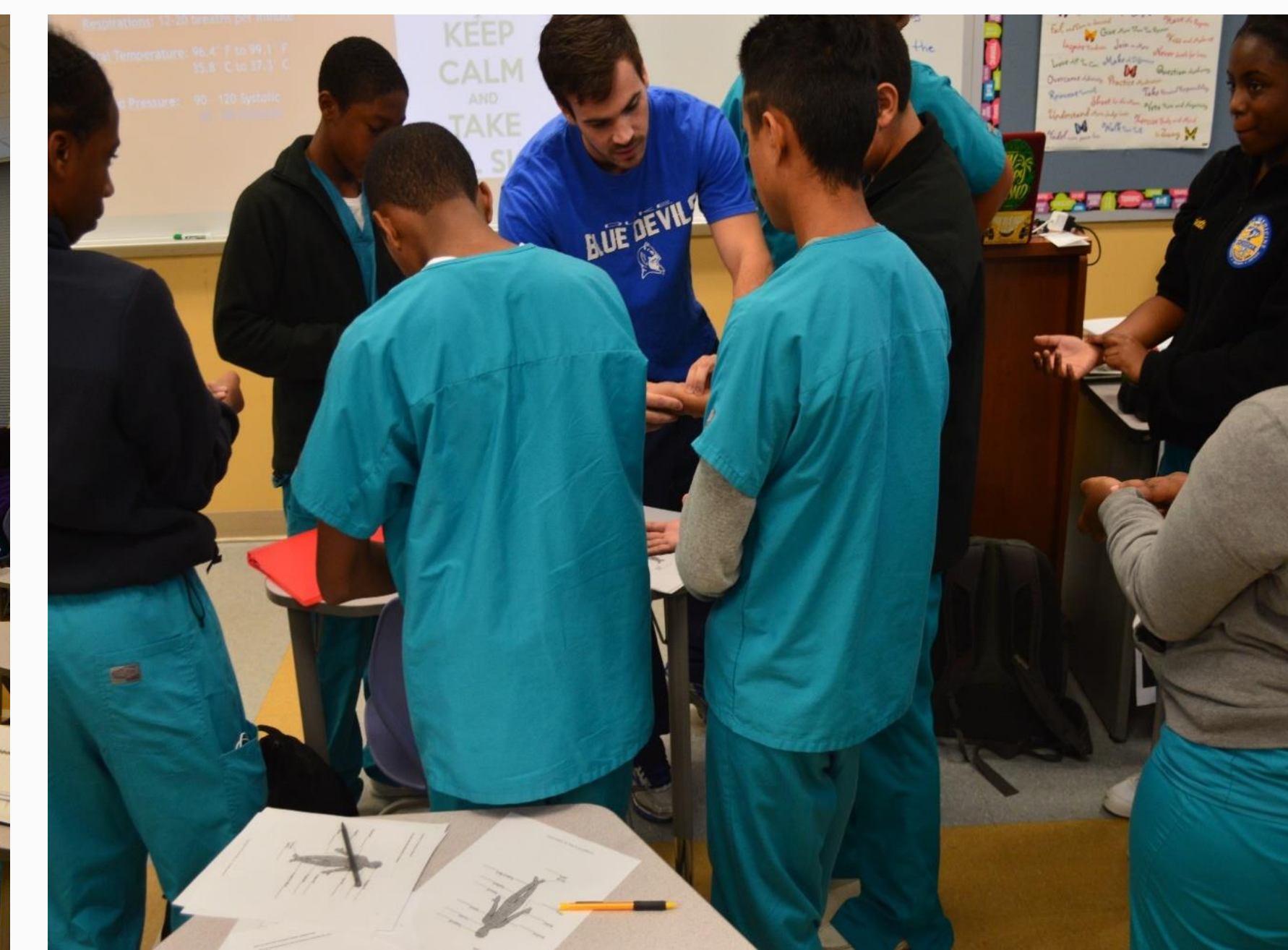
DAAMN presented at The City of Medicine Academy, a local magnet high-school:

- We gave two presentations: *The Field of Nursing* and *Taking Vital Signs*.
- 77 ninth grade students, interested in becoming health care professionals.



Objectives

- Encourage men to become nurses
- Demonstrate the contributions men bring to the nursing profession
- Advocate for education and dissemination of information about men in nursing
- Support members' full participation in the nursing profession



Methods

- We partnered with The City of Medicine Academy in Durham, North Carolina.
- Designed age appropriate curriculum to inform students of the possibilities and opportunities in nursing.
- Taught students how to take vital signs via a 10 minute PowerPoint presentation followed by 1 hour of hands-on training.

Results

- Created a fun and exciting environment
- Brought nursing to life for 77 young high-school students
- Successfully formed an alliance with The City of Medicine Academy in which we hope to:
 - Provide mentorship
 - Continue further education
 - Participate in career days

Conclusion

- Increased knowledge, understanding and interest in our profession among young men.
- The interactive nature of our presentation evoked a high level of participation, indicating students' eagerness to learn more about the field of nursing.
- Ample opportunity exists to advocate, to educate and to encourage young men and women about the opportunities that exist in nursing.

Other Sponsored Events

- American Red Cross Blood Drive
- Women in Need: Personal Product Drive
- City of Medicine Academy Teaching
- *The American Nurse* Screening