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## **Penn State Medical Student Receives Scholarship From Dauphin County Medical Society**

HARRISBURG, Pa. — Laura Spece, a third-year student at Penn State College of Medicine, Hershey, is this year's recipient of the \$1,500 Scott A. Gunder, MD, DCMS Presidential Scholarship from the Dauphin County Medical Society (DCMS). An award presentation will be held on September 1. Spece is the daughter of Larry and Jeannine Spece, Lancaster, Pa.

Spece has always desired to work with the underserved population; however, it was not until she volunteered at Southeast Lancaster Health Services Obstetrics Department that she wished to become a physician. "Through volunteering at Southeast, I realized that my passions and talents really fit the physician profession," said Spece. Three years post-graduation from University of Pennsylvania, Spece enrolled at Penn State College of Medicine to pursue her passion.

In 2000, DCMS established the Gunder scholarship in conjunction with The Foundation of the Pennsylvania Medical Society to honor the memory of DCMS President Scott A. Gunder,

MD. Dr. Gunder was a Harrisburg gastroenterologist and a clinical assistant professor of medicine at Penn State College of Medicine, Hershey.

DCMS works with the Pennsylvania Medical Society to strengthen the relationship between Dauphin County physicians and their patients.

The Foundation, which administers the Gunder scholarship, sustains the future of medicine in Pennsylvania by providing programs that support medical education, physician health, and excellence in practice.

For more information about the annual Gunder scholarship, visit [www.foundationpamedsoc.org](http://www.foundationpamedsoc.org) and click on Student Financial Services.

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