

### **Third National NAAMA NextGen Summit:**

NAAMA NextGen hosted their third National Summit on February 8<sup>th</sup>, 2020. It was a great success with over 100 undergraduate, medical and dental students from various NextGen chapters, who came together to learn from eminent speakers, successful medical students, residents, and fellows. Students gained in-depth knowledge of the medical field and how to transform into strong candidates from distinguished speakers including George E. Kikano, MD, Dean, College of Medicine, Central Michigan University; Elisabeth Heath, MD, FACP, Associate Center Director of Translational Sciences, Karmanos Cancer Institute; Safwan M. Badr, MD, MBA, Chair of Internal Medicine, Wayne State University School of Medicine. In addition, there were two panel discussions on “Navigating the Path to Medical School” and “How to be a Successful Physician?” with current NAAMA physicians and medical students as panelists. An interesting highlight of the summit was the research segment with poster and platform presentations from undergraduate and medical students. The event ended with a healthy lunch and networking/mentorship circle interacting with NAAMA senior physicians.

### **NAAMA NextGen COVID-19 Volunteering:**

NAAMA NextGen students proactively involved in several volunteer activities during these unprecedented times. A test drive of COVID-19 testing was conducted at ACCESS community clinic, Dearborn. Also, online virtual tutoring was offered by NextGen members to help high school students in their science subjects.

NAAMA NextGen-University of Michigan in collaboration with UNICEF UNITE Detroit hosted a one hour “COVID-19 Virtual Townhall” event via Zoom on April 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 with a panel of expert physicians, including Safwan M. Badr, MD, MBA, Professor & Chair of Internal Medicine, WSU; Usamah Mossallam, MD, MBA, Emergency Medicine, Henry Ford Health System; Fouad Batah, MD, Michigan Premier Internist, William Beaumont Hospital and moderated by Omar Fehmi, NextGen member, University of Michigan. They answered several questions about COVID-19 and the ways we can stay healthy and safe during these critical times.