

Writing letters on behalf of UNO Pre-Medical Committee Sponsored students

Dear Colleague,

The University of Nebraska at Omaha Pre-Medical Committee supports our students by sending an extensive letter on behalf of the university to medical schools which thoroughly describes the applicant and their observed attributes.

When crafting this letter, we often rely on and incorporate input from outside sources to help evaluate the student's readiness to attend medical school and become a physician. Attributes which you describe are helpful in adding to our determination of the applicant's preparation for medical school. Thus, your evaluation of the applicant's relative strengths or weaknesses in the following areas <u>is extremely useful</u>:

Compassion, maturity, teamwork and peer relations, leadership, critical reasoning, attention to detail, independence, motivation, time management and effective prioritization, endurance, emotional stability, honesty, cultural competence, and demeanor.

Your letter will be maintained with strict confidentiality, and is never shared (in part, in whole, or in summary) with the applicant at any time. Thus, we encourage you to write honestly about the applicant. The Committee will include pertinent or summary statements attributed to you in the final Committee letter. In addition, <u>your complete letter</u> will be included in the Committee letter appendix material for review by the medical school(s) to which the applicant has applied.

Please address your letter to the UNO Pre-Medical Committee. When complete, please send it electronically to premed@unomaha.edu, or to the following address:

UNO Pre-Med Committee, Allwine Hall 307, 6001 Dodge Street, Omaha, NE 68182-0070.

Thank you for your support on behalf of our student,

Dr. Paul H. Davis Director, UNO Health Careers Resource Center http://cas.unomaha.edu/healthcareers