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## **Lilly and Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine Partner on Rotation Program for Medical Students**

INDIANAPOLIS, April 4, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- Students from Ohio University's Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine will soon join Eli Lilly and Company's (NYSE: LLY) innovative rotation program for aspiring physicians. Launched in early 2014, the program provides students with hands-on experience in a range of pharmaceutical business activities, from drug discovery and development to bioethics and patient safety.

The Heritage College is one of four medical schools to partner with Lilly on its Medical Student Rotation Program, joining Indiana University School of Medicine, Tulane University School of Medicine, and Washington University School of Medicine. Jacob Koopman is the first Heritage College student accepted to the program.

"Our third- and fourth-year medical students have a tremendous opportunity for first-hand experience in a world-renowned pharmaceutical company through this program," said Laura Rush, Ph.D., executive director of the Heritage College Clinical & Translational Research Unit. "We are very excited about this important partnership with Lilly and to hear about Jacob's experience with his physician mentors and other members of the drug development team."

The Medical Student Rotation Program is a four-week experiential learning program. Through real-world projects and workshops, students become directly involved with various departments within Lilly, such as research, clinical trial development, medical affairs, regulatory, bioethics, and patient safety. Students also have the opportunity to meet and network with Lilly leaders.

### **Learning about drug development, healthcare careers**

The rotation program is designed around the student-centric curriculum and is guided by experienced, knowledgeable mentors at Lilly who help students explore drug development and diverse career options in healthcare. Through these experiences, students learn about the pharmaceutical industry and its place in the practice of medicine.

"We are pleased to welcome Heritage College as a partner who shares our goal of providing future physicians with a comprehensive educational experience," said Yolanda Johnson-Moton, director of external relations for Lilly's U.S. Medical team.

"As the many facets of healthcare become increasingly interdependent, it will be important for practitioners to have a good working knowledge of the scientific and medical phases of drug development," she said. "By providing a holistic view of our company and its operations, we aim to provide students with valuable insights into the complexity and collaboration involved in moving a concept from the bench to market, including the valuable role that physicians play in this process."

### **About the Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine**

The Ohio University Heritage College of Osteopathic Medicine is a leader in training dedicated primary care physicians who are prepared to address the most pervasive medical needs in the state and the nation. About 50 percent of Heritage College alumni practice in primary care and nearly 60 percent practice in Ohio. The Heritage College is where tomorrow's primary care physicians and specialists learn, grow and go forward. Trained to treat the whole patient. Ready to serve every population. And fully prepared to heal the whole state of medicine. To learn more, please see [www.ohio.edu/medicine](http://www.ohio.edu/medicine).

### **About Eli Lilly and Company**

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