

Ask the Experts

Session Key Learnings

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Summary:

iCAN's 'Ask the Experts' focused on "Specialty Careers in Medicine" and career exploration in the medical field. iCAN youth members asked guest speakers translational scientist KaTerri Monet Kelly and clinical research team leader Brage Garofalo, M.A. about their fascinating and world changing careers. Dr. Anthony Chang, M.D., M.B.A., M.P.H., M.S. also gave his expertise as a leading cardiologist and Chief Intelligence and Innovation Officer for CHOC Hospital of Orange County.

- Careers in medicine do not have to be medical - Data science, clinical research, and translation science are just some of the career paths one can go into. If you are curious, love getting into the details, and working with a diverse team (who are experts in all different areas), clinical research and translational science might be interesting for you to explore!
- Many different fields are involved in the world of healthcare - Scientists like "data scientists" and bioinformatics all work to analyse and interpret data to understand biological data, treatments, and disease. These scientists are experts on data and mathematics as well as programming and can use that knowledge to contribute to healthcare.
- Continuing towards your career - Keep in mind that being patient focused is the most important thing. Be sure to take advantage of exploring all the opportunities and options in the medical field. You can make a huge difference! Mentorship is circular, young people will mentor and inspire senior people and visa versa. Just because you are younger, doesn't mean that your voice won't change the world!

With Dr. Anthony Chang