University of Washington School of Medicine



Targeted Rural / Underserved Track (TRUST) Program Seattle 1 Year Campus

Introducing E 2012 TRUST Scholar: Alex SnowMassara



Greetings! My name is Alex SnowMassara. I grew up in California, Oklahoma, and Texas before moving to Washington as a teenager. Having lived here since 1997, Western Washington is now very much my home.

My professional background is in Information Technology; I've worked the past ten years supporting IT for a hospital, a library, an Internet service provider, and most recently a family medical clinic in Olympia, WA. My academic background is primarily in biology and public health, and I graduated from the Evergreen State College with a BA/BS in 2011. I currently serve as a member of the board for the Washington Rural Health Association. I am passionate about rural health care and I am particularly interested in improving access to care for those in rural areas.

My medical interests are in rural family medicine, integrative medicine, wilderness medicine, and emergency preparedness and response.

Outside of school and work, I spend most of my free time with my family. I am loving fatherhood and getting to watch our two children grow and learn so quickly. I also enjoy illustration and painting, stringed instruments, and cooking for friends and family. I am an avid supporter of small-scale and sustainable living.

I am married to a strong and amazing woman, Michaela, and have two children, Tivoli (son, age 4) and Azalea (daughter, age 1). We are excited to go through the medical education experience together as a family. My family and I look forward to becoming better acquainted with all of you in the Port Townsend community.

Thank you for letting me serve you!



The goal of Washington TRUST is to allow for a focused medical school experience in underserved care, with the eventual goal of returning physicians to practice in the underserved areas of Washington. Washington TRUST scholars will have multiple opportunities to experience first hand the joys and satisfaction of practicing medicine in an underserved community.

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