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## **WAG-Program-YDACBINC "2011 Life Changing Youth Summit" Highlights of the National Medical Mentor Program**

Dallas, Texas-June 2011, We Are Graduating ([www.wagprogram.com](http://www.wagprogram.com)) held the **WAG -Life Changing Youth Summit 2011** kick-off week with the **Medical Outreach Youth and Education Development Initiative (MOYEDI)** ([www.ydacbinc.org](http://www.ydacbinc.org)) for the brightness youth between the ages of 12 and 18 in Dallas, Texas. We requested **medical professionals** in **Region V1** and nationwide to address students at the **W.A.G Event Center: 4523 North Houston School Road, Lancaster, TX on June 6, 2011**. Originally the keynote speaker was **Surgeon General Epifanio Elizondo, PhD PA-C Regional Health Administrator Region VI, Dallas, Texas**.

However, the **Surgeon Elizondo** was unable to attend but, **James LaVelle Dickens FNP, FAANP Commander; U.S. Public Health Service Office of Minority Health, Region VI** was his replacement. **Commander Dickens** entered into the **WAG Center facility** with greetings and salutations to the audience of youth attendees. He spoke of the Surgeon General deepest desire to be here with us and concluded in his closing introduction with the Surgeon General personal apology. However, the youth were not disappointed because **Commander Dickens** engaged the students with solutions on what it takes to become a medical professional, while addressing the power of education, value, and integrity.

The **Commander** made reference to **Dr. Ben Carson of John Hopkins University Hospital** and his accomplishment as a **Neurologist/Neurosurgeon** and **Dr. Sanjay Gupta: Emmy award winner, Chief Medical Correspondent for CNN**. He noticed that both have achieved their goals to the fullest and you could too if you are willing to work hard for it.

Skype technology was used to allow the attendees to listen, see, and interact with **Dr. Neil Shulman of Emory University, Decatur, Georgia** who's experiences range from Doctor, Professor, Author (**What In a Doctors Bag, Red Light Warning Signal**), screenwriter (**Dr. Hollywood**) and more. He discussed additional opportunities to the youth on how to become a medical professional as well as expanding your talents in additional arenas such as he has. **Shawn Veena** a 10<sup>th</sup> grader of **Milton Middle School, Alpharetta, Georgia** via Skype of **MDJunior.org** which is a Leadership Society with the mission of Inspiring Service through Mentorship. The organization is committed to fostering the Spirit of Community Service through inter-personal developmental relationships by bringing together passionate and practical Medical and Health care professionals for mentors.

Please join **We Are Graduating- The Life Changing Youth Summit 2011** ([www.wagprogram.com](http://www.wagprogram.com)) and **Youth Development and Capacity Building, Inc** ([www.ydacbinc.org](http://www.ydacbinc.org)) in spreading our message across the world regarding the **MOYEDI**. We are expecting to sign a **MOU** with the **Department of Health and Human Resources** for the **Medical Mentor Program** fiscal 2012.

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