Oath of Professionalism
Case Western Reserve University Class of 2018

We, the entering class of Two-Thousand Fourteen, now embark upon our journey to become physicians who practice with integrity, altruism, and cultural competence.

To our patients:
We promise to listen to your story; to heal with empathy and compassion; and to care while curing. We will respect your individuality and protect your right to flourish. We will nurture an environment of mutual trust.

To our colleagues:
We promise to be exemplars of our profession, dedicating ourselves to research, discovery, and lifelong learning. We will collaborate across disciplines and be worthy of our peers’ respect. We will humbly commit ourselves to high ethical standards. We promise to be resilient in the face of adversity and confront challenges with courage.

To our community:
We promise to be your advocates and allies, honoring human agency and dignity. We appreciate the social and personal identities of all people and the barriers that may accompany them. We commit ourselves to overcoming these injustices. We pledge to lead inside and outside the hospital walls, providing equal and sustainable care for all.

We will practice and propel the art and science of medicine. Our role as healers begins now.

—Karen Horowitz, MD
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