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To: UVM Community

From: Annie Stevens, Vice Provost for Student Affairs

Re: Collins Oguejiofor (Larner College of Medicine Class of 2022)

It is with a heavy heart that I share the following message from Dr. Richard Page, Dean of the Larner College of Medicine. We join the College of Medicine in extending thoughts of care and comfort to the Oguejiofor family, as well as to the friends, fellow medical students, staff, and faculty who knew Collins.

Though we may be spread in various locations, please do not hesitate to reach out for support from on-campus resources, or those in your local community, if you are in need.

Dear Larner Community,

It is with deep sadness that we inform you that Collins Oguejiofor, a medical student in the Class of 2022, passed away unexpectedly in Norwalk, Connecticut. Collins was about to begin his clinical clerkship at our Connecticut branch campus.

We know we speak for the entire community when we extend our deepest condolences to Collins' family. Our sincere thoughts of care and sympathy also go out to his classmates, friends, faculty and staff who knew and worked with him, both in Vermont and in Connecticut.

At the current time, we do not have details about any service or memorial for Collins, but we will reach out to the community as soon as any such information is known.

This very sad event is especially difficult to deal with under the current restrictions on gatherings caused by the pandemic. Additional communication about online meetings of support for the Class of 2022 and other members of our community will be forthcoming.

As is the case when any member of our community passes away, there is a profound sense of loss and reactions are felt in a variety of ways. During this time, we encourage you to reach out to your primary support system as a source of care and connection. If you, or someone you know, are in need of professional counseling please do not hesitate to contact UVM's

Counseling and Psychiatry Services at (802) 656-3340 (for all students) or Invest EAP at (802) 864-EAPØ (3270) or toll free at (866) 660-9533 (for employee assistance).

With sympathy,

Richard L. Page, M.D.
Dean

Christa Zehle, M.D.
Senior Associate Dean for Medical Education

Jonathan M. Rosen, M.D.
Associate Dean for Medical Education

Medical Student Resources:

Medical Student Services Team meeting availability:

- [Director of Student Wellbeing](#) - Dr. Lee Rosen
- [Deans for Students \(preclinical, clinical, CT Campus\)](#) – Dr. Prema Menon, Dr. Shaden Eldakar-Hein and Dr. Ellen Kulaga
- [Dean for Medical Education](#) - Dr. Christa Zehle
- Associate Dean for Medical Education (CT) – [Dr. Jon Rosen](#)
- [Director of Learning Environment](#) - Dr. Nathalie Feldman

Confidential Support Resources

- UVM Counseling & Psychiatry Services: (802) 656-3340
- UVM Student Health Center: (802) 656-3350
- UVM Employee Assistance Program: (802) 864-3270
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Non-Confidential UVM Support Resources

- [Diversity, Equity and Inclusion at UVM](#) – [Dr. Margaret Tandoh](#) and [Tiffany Delaney](#)
- UVM Dean of Students Office: (802) 656-3380
- [The Mosaic Center for Students of Color](#): (802) 656-3819
- [Interfaith Center](#): (802) 656-4703 [Dr. Laura Engelken](#)