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**PRESENTATION AT THE UNIVERSITY OF IOWA:**  
**“THE CHANGING LANDSCAPE FOR PRE-MEDICINE STUDENTS”**

**Action Requested:** Receive the presentation.

**Executive Summary:** A University of Iowa faculty and staff panel will describe how the curriculum required for entry to MD programs is evolving to meet the demands of the profession in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. They will discuss the modifications being made to undergraduate programs in response to the changing requirements of the Medical College Admission Test (MCAT) and colleges of medicine and the impact of genomics on the future of medicine.

The panel will include Mr. Charles Hauck, Ms. Kathi Huebner, and Professor Bernd Fritsch. Mr. Hauck has been a pre-health professions advisor for more than 20 years. He is currently the Pre-Medical Coordinator at the University's Academic Advising Center, where he works with a team of pre-medical advisors. As the recent president of the National Association of Advisors for the Health Professions, he was the advisor liaison to the Association of American Medical Colleges (AAMC) Committee on Admissions when the decisions on the MCAT change and recommendations to move toward more competency-based education were made. He currently serves as the advisor liaison to the AAMC National Steering Committee.

Ms. Huebner serves as Director of Admissions for the University of Iowa Carver College of Medicine. She earned a Bachelor of Arts at UNI and a Master of Arts from the University of Iowa. She has served on numerous university and national committees concerned with the student experience in medical school and the medical school curriculum.

Professor Fritsch serves as chair of the Department of Biology at the University of Iowa. He earned his doctorate in Zoology at the Technical University of Darmstadt in Germany in 1978. His research focuses on understanding basic aspects of specification, development, and maintenance of the neurosensory system of the ear using predominantly genetically engineered mice. He has authored or co-authored numerous publications and manuscripts and has been an investigator on many federally-funded research grants.