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Texas A&M-Corpus Christi Pre-Med Students in CHRISTUS Spohn’s EMRAP Program Present Research at Conferences

CORPUS CHRISTI, Texas – Three biomedical science students at Texas A&M University-Corpus Christi participated in the Emergency Medicine Research Associates Program (EMRAP) at CHRISTUS Spohn Memorial Hospital in 2008-2009. The students were the only non-physicians presenting research projects this spring, summer and fall at state and international emergency medicine conferences.

Presentations are as follows:

**Andrew DeLeon** – a senior, gave the presentation, “Urinalysis in Adult Blunt Trauma: Is It Relevant Today?”

- He gave an oral presentation in June 2009 at the Research Day held at JPS Health Network in Fort Worth, Texas. He won first place for best research/presentation. DeLeon and Reagan Rivas were the only two non-physicians presenting.

**Reagan Rivas** – a senior, gave the presentation, “Sexually Transmitted Diseases Do -MORE-
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Not Discriminate: First Trimester Vaginal Bleeding is Not Always a Threatened Abortion.”


- She gave an oral presentation in June 2009 at the Research Day held at JPS Health Network in Fort Worth, Texas. She won second place for best research/presentation. Rivas and DeLeon were the only two non-physicians presenting.

- She presented two posters in September 2009 at the Mediterranean Emergency Medicine Congress V in Valencia, Spain. The posters were “Sexually Transmitted Diseases Do Not Discriminate: First Trimester Vaginal Bleeding is Not Always a Threatened Abortion” and “The Routine Use of Local Anesthetics in Pediatric Lumbar Punctures: Are We There Yet?”

  Joseph Perez – a post-graduate student, gave the presentation, “The Routine Use of Local Anesthetics in Pediatric Lumbar Punctures: Are We There Yet?”


  - He gave a poster presentation in June 2009 at the Research Day held at JPS Health Network in Fort Worth, Texas.

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