



Chantal Kinsey

MD + MPH

Hometown: Allen, TX

Undergraduate Institution: Abilene Christian University

Undergraduate Degree: BS in Biology

Why do you want to be a physician?

I see medicine as an avenue to pursue social justice and best utilize my strengths to impact my community. It combines my interest and respect for the mechanics of the human body with my love for people and increasing quality of life.

Why did you choose Texas A&M College of Medicine?

When I interviewed at A&M I thought to myself that this is a school that I can pursue what I love while also being happy, healthy, and enjoy the process. The support they offer the students, the school culture, and opportunities to develop meaningful relationships with mentors make it a good fit. Having the MD Plus Program and being able to spend a year pursuing my MPH was also a big factor.

Why did you choose to pursue a graduate degree in addition to the MD?

The skills, knowledge, and relationships I have already begun to form in the MPH program will allow me to be a better advocate for my patients and promoter of change. I worked with refugee women with the International Rescue Committee for nearly 3 years and the experience I had shaped the impact I want to have and the community I want to serve. Seeing how health is the cumulation of life experiences and unique to each person led me to pursue an MPH.

What are your career goals and how do you feel the MD Plus Program will help you?

Women's health is a field that I am passionate about and wish to seek restorative justice. The human experience and health are complex and the MD Plus Program gives tools to further understand the complexities of healthcare from business, social justice, and research points of view. Working with professionals from fields across society gives you the ability to get more creative when looking for sustainable solutions.