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H.S. students experience "hands-on" medicine Lynne Williams, medical school information March 31, 2000

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Children are curious when they are very young. How do you keep that curiosity alive when they become teenagers and their lives are crowded with music, video games, and interest in the opposite sex.

The University of Nevada School of Medicine has a program they hope will rekindle that early curiosity by hosting its **Science Bound "Hands-on-Medicine" activity, April 3 from 4-6 p.m.** Science Bound is the school's partnership program with Hug High School and Partners in Education. During this program, a group of first and second-year medical students work with a group of 20 freshman, sophomores, and juniors from Hug High School. The group will participate in six different activities at the School of Medicine during the course of a semester, activities designed to increase the high school students' interest in science/medicine, and in pursuing a college education.

Program planners hope that the medical students will be able to share their own personal histories, and assure the high school students that, regardless of cultural background, everyone has the opportunity to pursue higher education, even to become physicians. They will teach the high school students how to take a patient history, conduct a basic physical exam and test reflexes, and explain the importance of the gathering patient information in the treatment process.

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