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BRI's Fourth Annual Leadership Conference 2016: Striking a strong chord for medical freedom and caring for the poor.

Greetings!

April 14, 2016

Fifty-four students, including three Nigerian medical students, plus twenty-four physicians and BRI friends met in Washington, DC for two and a half days of educational policy talks, author and student presentations, networking, mentoring, and training. Combined with a 2-on-2 debate at Georgetown University, BRI's 2016 Leadership Conference was nothing short of a ground-breaking success.

We could not have achieved what we did without our dedicated students, members and supporters. To get a full sense of what was accomplished, we invite you to read the conference recap blog post now up on BRI's website.

READ ALL ABOUT IT!

NOW, how do you leverage what you learned, *through writing?*

(AKA, Q: what do Dr. Benjamin Rush, Dr. Arthur C. Brooks and Don Watkins all have in common? A: They write. A lot. (Okay... wrote, in Dr. Rush's case.)

Zach Howell, BRI leadership conference attendee and undergrad pre-med going into his first year of medical school next year, wants us all to capitalize on what was learned at the conference, and take action by writing for preserving patients' and doctors' medical freedom.

Read Zach's helpful post of writing tips to help you get your voice heard above the noise.

WRITE FOR IMPACT



Don Watkins, co-author of *Equal is UNFair*, speaks to BRI conference attendees, and stayed after to sign copies of his book.

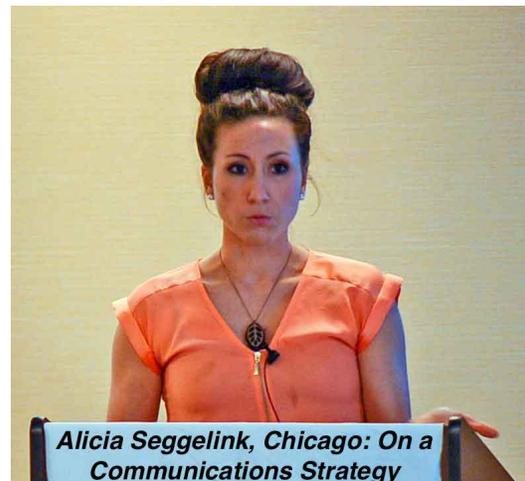


Dr. Arthur C. Brooks signs copies of his book, *The Conservative Heart: How to Build a Fairer, Happier and More Prosperous America* for BRI conference attendees.

Student Presentations: *Who are these amazing students, anyway?*



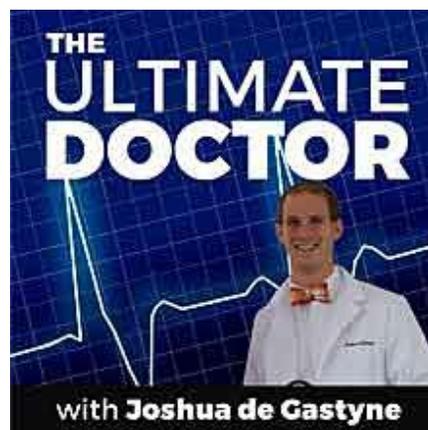
Parth Desai, Mercer University:
Can We Really Change Healthcare Today?



Alicia Seggelink, Chicago: *On a Communications Strategy*

Parth Desai (Mercer), Alicia Seggelink (Chicago) and Joshua de Gastyne (Georgetown) were three of nine student presenters. Others included: John Flo (St. Louis); Andrew Widener (McGovern); Trenton Schmale (Marian); Mary Hahn (SUNY); Eric Sink (St. Louis); and Aishat Olanlege (Nigeria).

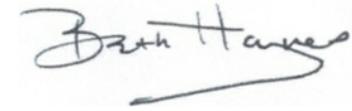
From Austrian economics to text-based patient management, our students really shined in the conference presentation section. Their presentations enabled fellow attendees to learn about each other and connect over achievements, interests, and projects beyond medical school.



So once again, in partnership with our members, students, friends and staunch supporters like American Enterprise Institute, we are proud of what was accomplished with our medical students at BRI's 2016 Leadership Conference.

We could not do this important work without you. We appreciate you, and will continue to work to our utmost to restore workable, honorable, and doctor-patient centric healthcare policy.

With warm personal thanks,



Beth Haynes, MD
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To give you an idea of what \$25 can do (\$50 doubles these results!):

- Provide lunch for 5 or 6 attendees at a noontime lecture
- Publish and promote a student-authored blog post that touches many readers
- Cover mailing a Chapter-in-a-Box to a new chapter, with money left over
- ... and much more.

Thank you. We accept donations any time, and memberships run through August 31, 2016.

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