The SPCC Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) Program is a “pipeline” program that motivates and helps prepare schoolkids in medically underserved communities for health professions education. The program provides education and training in underserved communities for health professions students and offers continuing education and other practice supports for health professionals working in underserved communities. During the Beyond Flexner Conference, the Atlanta AHEC is conducting a health professions careers presentation for students at Henry W. Grady High School in which a panel of health professionals will describe career opportunities and interact with students. Conference attendees will be invited to participate. Limit: 25 visitors

Morehouse School of Medicine Prevention Research Center     www.msm.edu/prc

The CDC-funded MSM PRC conducts community-based participatory research in partnership with a group of southeast Atlanta communities. The center has won numerous awards for modeling community-based research in which the community is truly the senior partner. Members of the center’s Community Coalition Board will participate in the visit, which will include a tour of the communities served by the center. Limit: 30 visitors

Community Advanced Practice Nurses Clinic       http://www.capn.org/

Located near the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Nonviolent Social Change, the clinic is staffed by nurse practitioners and serves as a teaching site for nursing students from Emory and Georgia State Universities and residents from Morehouse School of Medicine. It primarily serves the homeless, particularly those from the women’s and children’s shelter next door. Limit: 15 visitors

Grady Memorial Hospital    https://www.gradyhealth.org/

Grady is Atlanta’s public hospital, serving the poor, the uninsured, and the homeless of Fulton and DeKalb Counties. Grady has about 30,000 admissions and 300,000 outpatient visits/year. On the verge of bankruptcy just a few years ago, Grady has experienced a renaissance and continues to serve as a major teaching site for medical students and residents from Morehouse and Emory University Schools of Medicine. Limit: 15 visitors

Community Health Course Sites
https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3976958/

All MSM first-year students are enrolled in the Community Health Course, which meets for a half-day each week throughout the school year. Small groups of students, supervised by faculty, are assigned to sites in the community where, in the first semester, they conduct a community health needs assessment. In the second semester, they plan, conduct, and evaluate a health promotion intervention that responds to one or more of the issues they identified in the first semester. At the end of the year, each group presents a report on its work for the year. The following sites are available for visits, and at each site, members of the group serving there will present their report.
1) Center of Hope at Thomasville Heights Boys and Girls Club
http://www.bgcma.org/club/thomasville/
The Thomasville Heights Center of Hope is located between the Thomasville Heights Elementary School and the Forest Cove Apartment Homes. Located in Neighborhood Planning Unit Z in Atlanta, GA. The Boys and Girls Club serves youth ages 6-18 in after-school programs and summer camp, providing an environment to help youth succeed, stay healthy, and become leaders. Previous interventions conducted by medical students have included activities surrounding early childhood literacy, and college/career readiness programs for adolescents: Limit 15 visitors

2) W.W. Woolfolk Boys & Girls Club http://www.bgcma.org/club/woolfolk/
The W.W. Woolfolk Boys & Girls Club serves children from the Bush Mountain, Cascade Avenue, Fort McPherson, Oakland City, and Venetian Hills neighborhoods in Southwest Atlanta. Its goals are to help children lead healthy lifestyles, avoid risky behaviors, and foster good character and citizenship. Morehouse School of Medicine student activities include assistance with arts, homework, sports, and mentoring. Limit 15 visitors

3) Adamsville Green Apartments
Adamsville Green Apartments is an Independent-living residence for seniors ages 62 years and older. The property is located on Martin Luther King within the urban boundaries of Donald Lee Hollowell and I-285 overpass. The residence houses a community room, computer lab, community garden, laundry facilities, and a fitness center. Students participate with residents in various activities including social events and information sessions. Students at this site have helped facilitate the installation of a pedestrian beacon and crosswalk on Martin Luther King Jr. Drive to help address resident safety. Limit 15 visitors

4) The Atrium at College Town
The Atrium at College Town is an independent living facility for seniors ages 62 years and older. The property is located on Joseph E. Lowery Boulevard and consists of 190 units. Morehouse School of Medicine students identified various areas of concern in their community. Past student activities included nutrition and physical activity education, cooking demonstrations, installation of a community garden, and physical fitness assessments. Limit 15 visitors.

5) City of Refuge- http://cityofrefugeatl.org/
City of Refuge is an organization serving women, children, and boys under age 16 experiencing homelessness. Their mission is to “lead individuals and families on a journey of self-sufficiency”. Located on Joseph E. Boone Boulevard, they provide various services including health care, temporary housing, vocational training, and youth development. Morehouse School of Medicine students work with staff and residents in various areas including identifying community resources and tutoring elementary and high school students. Limit 100 visitors.
Student Community Health Course Presentations (Morehouse School of Medicine)
https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3976958/

Student groups not doing presentations at community sites will do their presentations on campus at Morehouse School of Medicine. Conference participants attending these presentations will have the opportunity to hear reports on one of these sites. An optional tour of the medical school will also be available.

Group Presentations Will Include:

1) **Paul L. Dunbar Elementary School**
Dunbar Elementary School is an elementary school in the Mechanicsville neighborhood of Atlanta, GA. As part of the Atlanta Public School system, it functions to “develop academically, emotionally, and socially competent students from Kindergarten to 5th grade.” Morehouse School of Medicine students engage in weekly tutoring and mentoring with students at Dunbar Elementary. Past assessments have addressed behavioral and emotional health of students and has included a Random Acts of Kindness campaign. *Limit 20 visitors*

2) **Educare**
Educare Atlanta is an early childhood learning center located on site at the Dunbar Elementary complex in the Mechanicsville neighborhood of Atlanta. The center serves children ages 6 weeks to 5 years and their families. The center’s goals are to promote the development of early learning skills, nurture strong parent-child relationships, focus on child literacy, and ease the transition to elementary school. Morehouse School of Medicine students at Educare assist teachers and interact with children in various classrooms while conducting assessment and intervention activities. *Limit 20 visitors*

3) **Tuskegee Airmen Global Academy**
The Tuskegee Airmen Global (TAG) Academy is an elementary school in the Atlanta Public School system. TAG Academy was opened in 2015 and resulted from a merger of two local elementary schools. It enrolls approximately 700 students in grades K-5. Morehouse School of Medicine partners with TAG Academy in several respects, one of which is as a site for the Community Health course. Morehouse School of Medicine students tutor and mentor students in the 2nd and 3rd grades as part of their activities at this site. *Limit 20 visitors*