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## **Vermont Medical Society Foundation Awards Scholarship to UVM College of Medicine Student**

*Elizabeth Kelley awarded Dr. Mildred Reardon Scholarship*

**Stowe, Vt.** (Nov. 7, 2023) – The Vermont Medical Society’s Education and Research Foundation (VMSERF) has awarded a \$10,000 scholarship to Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont student **Elizabeth Kelley**. Ms. Kelley was honored at the Vermont Medical Society’s 210<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held at the Topnotch Resort in Stowe, Vermont on November 3rd, 2023.

Each year VMSERF awards a scholarship to a medical student who is committed to practicing medicine in Vermont and caring for the health of Vermonters. The scholarship program was created to encourage young physicians to return to Vermont after completing their residency training and is named in honor of Dr. Mildred Reardon, a former faculty member at the Larner College of Medicine at UVM and past-President of VMS who was instrumental in forming the VMSERF.

A member of the Class of 2025 at the Larner College of Medicine at the University of Vermont, Ms. Kelley, a Shoreham, Vermont native, plans to pursue a practice in family medicine. She completed her undergraduate degree at Boston University Questrom School of Business and received her Bachelor of Science in Business Administration with a Concentration in Finance and completed her Post Baccalaureate Pre-Medical Certificate Program at the Larner College of Medicine at UVM.

After feeling unfulfilled by a future in the finance industry, Kelley returned to Vermont and began working for a local family physician while applying for

medical school. Kelley said working in family medicine inspired a commitment to Vermont, community and providing care to the underserved. She found the long-term trust and relationships with family medicine patients in Vermont's small communities very rewarding.

“As a future physician, I think it is imperative to understand the makeup of these communities to be able to provide the best care for them,” said Kelley. “The people and communities in Vermont have helped shape me and I feel privileged to have the opportunity to pursue a medical career and live here.”

Please join VMSERF in congratulating Ms. Kelley for standing out among a strong group of candidates for her commitment to serve the healthcare needs of Vermonters.

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**About the Vermont Medical Society Education and Research Foundation:**

The VMSERF is a nonprofit charitable organization sponsored by the Vermont Medical Society and organized exclusively for charitable, educational, and scientific purposes. The purpose of VMSERF is to advance the public good by supporting educational and research activities in the field of health.

**About the Vermont Medical Society:** The Vermont Medical Society is the leading voice of physicians in the state and is dedicated to optimizing the health of all Vermonters and the health care environment in which Vermont physicians and physician assistants practice medicine. The Society serves its 2,900 members through public policy advocacy on the state and federal levels, as well as by providing legal, administrative, and educational support, producing a rich flow of news and information, and offering member benefits that increase medical practice effectiveness and efficiency. For more information, visit [www.VTMD.org](http://www.VTMD.org).