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

*Adessa Morano awarded Dr. Mildred Reardon Scholarship*

**Montpelier, Vt.** (Nov.20, 2020) – The Vermont Medical Society’s Education and Research Foundation (VMSERF) has awarded a \$10,000 scholarship to the University of Vermont Larner College of Medicine student **Adessa Morano**. Morano was honored at the Vermont Medical Society’s 207<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting held virtually on November 7th, 2020.

Each year VMSEF awards a scholarship to a medical student who is committed to practicing medicine in Vermont and to 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 faculty member at the Larner College of Medicine at UVM, who was instrumental in forming VMSEF.

A member of the Class of 2022 at the College of Medicine, Morano has aspired to be a primary care physician with a practice in rural Vermont for many years. She plans to pursue the field of pediatrics and is currently an AHEC Scholar in the Longitudinal Integrated Clerkship Program through the Vermont Office of Primary Care and Area Health Education Centers.

Morano began her path to medical school by earning a Bachelor of Arts degree in Psychology at Sarah Lawrence College, followed by a Master of Arts in Child Development, also from Sarah Lawrence College, and a Master of Education

from Boston University. Morano completed her pre-medical course work at the University of Vermont.

In applying for the scholarship Morano said, “I plan to share my knowledge and training as a pediatrician, as well as in child development and education, in order to be a resource for children and families in Vermont who need more from our healthcare system than they’re receiving now. Especially in rural areas, physicians with more comprehensive experience and training can fill a critically needed role and have a significant impact on the community they serve.”

VMSERF congratulates Morano for standing out among a strong group of candidates for her commitment to serving the families of Vermont.

**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 protecting the health of all Vermonters and improving the environment in which Vermont physicians and physician assistants practice medicine. The Society serves its 2,400 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).