

# WHITNEY NICHOLS

## SPEAKER PROFILE

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#### ABOUT ME

Whitney was born in Portsmouth, Virginia and moved to Suffolk, Virginia when she was 10 years old. She attended King's Fork High School and graduated at the top of her class.

Whitney is a passionate mentor who enjoys speaking with students about her journey and helping them on their path to medicine. Her personal interests include reading, cooking, and home décor.

#### AREAS OF EXPERTISE

Due to Whitney's passion in medicine and technology, Whitney majored in cognitive science and was on the pre-medical track while being very active on college grounds. She was the President of the Daniel Hale Williams Pre-Medical Honor Society, a Senior Peer Advisor for the Office of African American Affairs and was a Big Sister in the Young Women's Leadership Program.

After graduating from UVA in 2015, Whitney attended Georgetown University for her Master's in Clinical and Translational Research. While obtaining her degree, Whitney worked full-time at Medstar Health Research Institute. She was promoted to a Clinical Data Coordinator, where she had an opportunity to surveillance Hepatitis C Testing Disparities throughout the entire MedStar hospital system. Additionally, she had the opportunity to work with lobbying groups to push legislature around Hepatitis C Treatment. Lastly, Whitney has presented her research at several national and regional conferences and her work has been published.

In 2019, Whitney moved to Connecticut to pursue a Doctor of Medicine at the Frank H Netter School of Medicine at Quinnipiac. She is currently a second-year student. Whitney has a strong interest in bioinformatics, health disparities, and medical education.