



## **2020 Empire State Medical Association Scholarship Recipient**



### **Chelsea Grant, 2<sup>nd</sup> Year Medical Student**

#### **Renaissance School of Medicine at Stony Brook University**

Chelsea Grant graduated from Harvard University, concentrating in Neurobiology with a secondary focus in Global Health and Health Policy, and a special certification in Mind, Brain, and Behavior. At Harvard, Chelsea Grant founded the campus' premiere Passus Step Team. She conducted research in HIV drug resistance and cytotoxic immune escape under the mentorship of Dr. MacLeod, and completed her neurobiology thesis research in retinal AMD with Dr. Haider. While at Harvard, she volunteered on campus with the Crimson EMS service and in her community through the CityStep afterschool program. After graduating in 2015, Chelsea Grant left for Peace Corps service in Cameroon, West Africa where she was a community health extension volunteer in the Maternal and Child Health Project. She coordinated the sexual health education program in the Catholic Relief Services KIDSS program for OVC infected with HIV, and was the implementation force for the WorldConnect Creativity, Health, and Wellbeing Project servicing OVC and homeless children in Bamenda. Returning stateside in 2017, Chelsea then worked as a Clinical Research Coordinator at the Mount Sinai Hepatitis Outreach Network servicing African born immigrants in NYC and at the Prometheus Influenza study conducted by Dr. Shaman at Columbia University.