

# WHITE COAT DISTRICT



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## PITCH

30 Min - Mockumentary Sitcom (Network)

There's a joke amongst the faculty at our school that medical school could be shorter if students didn't need time to grow up. And it's *true*. In comes 22-year-old college binge drinkers — diverse, smart, cutthroat, and ready to serve others (or so they said on their applications) and out the other end comes the poised and passionate ER surgeons that save lives on *Scrubs*, *Grey's Anatomy*, and *ER*. How is that even possible? When I started medical school, I thought the answer would be to bury my head into books until I had memorized every symptom and every disease. Two years into this whirlwind of an experience called medical school, I can say with confidence that I was wrong. Medical school has been less about the studying (although, trust me, there is tons of that) and more of a collection of ridiculous, and at times unbelievable, experiences that have both raised my spirits and made me question why I chose this path — a symphony of breakups and hookups that began 6 months into school, night shifts in the emergency department, lectures on diseases that have taken the lives of classmate's parents, faculty members eerily similar to cast members of *Parks and Rec*, hot tub parties, cadaver dissections, prostate examinations, 8 student dropouts, broken engagements, sunrises from the library, laughing while skipping mandatory classes with friends that I feel as though I've known forever, the death of my first patient, the realization that a field other than medicine may have been equally fulfilling, and more. The list could go on and on. My thought is, if you're going to hand over your 20s in exchange for the title of M.D., then you might as well have fun doing it.

The working title for the show, *White Coat District*, is named after a neighborhood near the hospital in which the majority of medical students at our school live. I once heard a professor say "There are two places where everyone comes together — hospitals and airports," and our cast is intended to reflect this diversity. *White Coat District* follows an ensemble cast (truthfully, based on individuals from my own class) brought together by Rahul, a 2nd generation immigrant from the Midwest who is also interested in filmmaking. Rahul is excited about the idea of medical school without knowing much about it, and finds himself questioning his path (and himself) now that's achieved his dream of getting in. Rahul is joined by 7 central characters including Damien Schwartz, a genuine and lovable nerd who is living away from his parents for the first time, Samuel Everest, a father of twin girls who quit his 8-year career in the secret service to pursue a simpler life and career in medicine, and Isabelle McCallister, a third-generation legacy medical student at this school. In addition, the gang includes Clio Lavian, a California native whose ability to have a conversation with anyone leaves her well connected in circles with celebrities and restaurateurs, Micah Chehovsky who, with 3 bachelors and a masters degree is a jack of all trades exploring medicine as a future passion, Levi Reyes, a strong-willed social justice warrior out of the closet for the first time, and finally, Eve, a fun, social media lover who wants to go into medical journalism. Paired randomly in a small group together, these 8 characters experience the joy and sorrows that my classmates and I have felt first-hand over the past few years. I hope that that this show, a fusion of *Parks and Rec* humor with master of None nuance, will showcase the sacrifices and struggles of putting the outside world on hold, but also the thrill and surprise that comes with the transition from student to physician.



## CHARACTER PROFILES

### Rahul Anand - 23

Rahul Anand is a 2nd generation immigrant who was born and raised in a small yet diverse suburban Midwestern town. His parents, both originally from India, were raised in Canada and moved to the Midwest for work. Rahul is surrounded by honest people and values hard work and sincerity. He is extremely close with his older brother Raj, an actor who works for a local theatre company, but not as close with the rest of his extended family in Canada. For this reason, his friendships become his family. He has always been outgoing and sociable and is known as the one to bring people together wherever he goes. At times, this gets him into trouble as he has been known to occasionally overstep boundaries and become too involved with friends' personal lives.

Rahul attended public schools his entire life and, after graduating high school, attended a small private college 30 minutes away from home on a scholarship. Throughout his academic career, a mixture of intelligence, hard work, and small class sizes landed him at the top or near the top of his classes. On the other end of the spectrum, Raj was never academically inclined and never landed a stable career; instead he works odd creative jobs — acting in local gigs, designing graphic t-shirts for online companies, and selling stickers at community fairs. Although Rahul and his brother are completely different they are very close. In fact, when the two brothers were younger, they constantly worked on comedic creative projects and could often be found making music videos or short films using iMovie on the family's shared computer in the kitchen, inspiring Rahul to develop a real interest in filmmaking. Because Raj has never had a stable career in the arts, Rahul feels pressured to act more mature, and partly for this reason, he chooses to go to medical school while continuing filmmaking strictly as a hobby.

For his academic life, Rahul is so focused on getting into medical school that when he actually gets in, he is unsure of what to make of himself, a question that becomes one of the central questions of the show. Within medicine there are so many options — research, academia, private practice, charity work abroad, pursuing something completely outside of clinical medicine — and the decision to continue within medicine is a choice that must be made in the good times and the bad. Because he has no family members that are doctors except for one distant uncle, Rahul feels as though he is starting from scratch without guidance. To make matters worse, the summer before medical school, Rahul breaks up with his long-term girlfriend. Although he swears that he would never date a classmate, anything can happen in medical school...



## Eve Holland - 23

Eve is an only child who grew up in San Antonio, Texas in a family without anyone in the medical field. Her father is a photographer, her mother is a teacher, and in her extended family, there exists an eclectic group of professions including casting directors, engineers, pilots and writers (some with higher status than others and some even reaching quasi-celebrity status). As an only child, she had a lot of time to herself in which she read and wrote, spurring her initial interest in journalism. Everyone in her family (including Eve herself) was convinced she would be a writer. As an undergraduate student, Eve didn't go far from home and attended Trinity where she majored in journalism and excelled in all of her classes. She is a hard worker and extremely diligent when it comes to school. During her sophomore and junior year of college, Eve gets hooked onto medical shows and ends up idolizing a female medical correspondent that has recently started her own show. Eve begins to write short stories envisioning her life as a physician. She starts to shadow physicians at Trinity's hospital and much to her family's surprise, decides in her senior year to pursue medicine. Eve takes a gap year to finish up her classes and works in London for BBC's medical unit.

Outside of school, Eve loves to travel, which stems from her upbringing as she traveled a lot as a child due to her father's job. She also has a natural interest in social media (including stalking extremely obscure meme pages) and has a very active social media presence and a few thousand Instagram followers! Eve loves to update her followers on her travels and tries to make her stories interesting and funny. However, because of her habits with social media though, Eve tends to be on her phone a lot, which leaves her absent minded and unaware of her surroundings. This can sometime be an annoyance and friends and even exs have told her so in the past. In addition, Eve loves keeping up with celebrity gossip and openly admits to loving shows like *The Bachelorette*, *Gossip Girl* and other mindless shows that allow her to take her mind off of work. Finally, and most importantly, Eve has a dog named Teddy that she was given in high school. Unfortunately, Eve's parents convince her that having a dog in medical school would be too much for her to handle (they were right) so Teddy currently lives with her parents back in Texas and visits every couple of months.



## Isabelle McCallister – 24

Isabelle McCallister was born and raised within a few miles of the medical school. Her parents, who are a huge influence in her life, own a dermatology private practice clinic on the other, somewhat nicer, side of town. Isabelle attended private schools throughout her childhood and spent her summers in high school working at her parent's clinic. She always excelled in school and was able to serve as president of her high school's pre-med club and play multiple sports with field hockey being her favorite. During her senior year of high school, Isabelle was accepted into Brown and was even given a scholarship (which was not needed) to play field hockey. At Brown, she had a difficult transition academically and ended up being an average student. However, she still continued to play field hockey and was eventually named captain her senior year. To make up for her unremarkable GPA score, Isabelle tried to boost her resume with extracurriculars and becomes president of the Brown pre-med club, the top-ranked pre-med club in both research and primary care in the world. After her junior year, Isabelle bombs her first MCAT, and tells her friends that she needs a break from school. Rather than applying to medical school on time, which was always in her plan, Isabelle decides to take time off to strengthen her application while studying to retake the MCAT and moves to Colorado to be a ski patroller at the suggestion of one of her mentors. She spends two years on the ski patrol at a small, high end resort and sees very little action on the slopes with the exception of a few bumps and bruises. However, she embellishes her experiences to her friends and tells them that she has saved many lives. She studies harder for her second MCAT and manages to get a solid score. She never tells anyone that she took the MCAT more than once.

Isabelle is accepted into medical school not because of her natural talent or intelligence but because of her sheer determination and will to succeed. Isabelle is accepted to our medical school, the alma mater of both of her parents as well as her grandfather, towards the end of the application cycle and this is a huge relief to her and her family. Isabelle is happy to be in medical school. It was always her dream, and her parents are thrilled that she is at their alma mater. They are excited for her to graduate and complete her dermatology residency so that she can take over their practice and they can retire. Even though Isabelle thinks that she wants to dermatology, she is unsure if she will be competitive enough to get into a dermatology program. Her confidence definitely took a hit in undergrad but she is using medical school to start over.

In medical school, Isabelle continues to be an extremely competitive person and often flaunts her past accomplishments. For this reason, she has a hard time adjusting to school, where everyone is just as smart and talented as she is (if not more so), and so she lets everyone believe she is a gunner to appear intimidating. At the beginning of medical school, Isabelle is not looking for friends, and she's willing to sacrifice relationships to get a leg up on her classmates.



## Damien Schwartz – 22

Damien Schwartz grew up in Hamilton, NY, which is [named one of the friendliest towns](#) in America. He is an only child and is the happiest when he's home with his parents, Delilah and Benjamin Schwartz. Damien and his parents love to travel, especially in the northeast part of the country, and they have traveled to Maine multiple summers in a row. He has lived at home his entire life, commuting to Colgate University as an undergraduate student. At Colgate, Damien majored in Classics and was pre-med from day one. In college, he was part of Latin Language club, squirrel-watching club, nature walking club and ancient Greek club (he even translated the Hippocratic oath from ancient Greek into English). Even though Damien has never lived away from home, he's excited to begin medical school and began studying the week after finding out he was accepted. His goal has always been to become a faculty member at his home university hospital so that he can teach future medical students.

Damien is innocent, lovable, naive, extraordinarily friendly and studious but also overly prepared, socially oblivious and unaware. The class as a whole has mixed feelings about him. The vast majority love him and love the helpful hints and resources he continuously posts on the class's Facebook page. But a few students question the fact that he streams all the lectures weeks in advance or butts into conversations without warning, calling him a gunner. Damien is completely oblivious to all of this and calls home daily while in medical school to update his mother, who he is extremely close with. He also travels home once a month to see his parents. Before medical school Damien had never dated anyone and enters med school believing this will be the case throughout medical school as well.

A few of Damien's pertinent quirks - he's allergic to nuts, does not have a driver's license, insists on walking to school all year round even though he lives 2.5 miles away, is clumsy and goes the whole first semester wearing a cast on his foot, won't go out on a school night, has never drunk before, loves free food, loves Indian buffets, and would be a chef if he wasn't in medical school.



## Clio Lavian – 25

Clio Lavian is a 90210 California native. Parts of her personality align perfectly with her zip code — she is knowledgeable about the latest trends, celebrities, and restaurants and is extremely well connected due to her sociable nature. However, many elements of her character come from her parents and her family. Clio’s mother is a movie executive who was trained as a lawyer and her dad is an artist who is past his prime. Clio gets her ability to talk to anyone - custodians, doctors, celebrities, people on planes, etc. - from them. Additionally, while in high school, Clio’s younger sister Rose is diagnosed with an aggressive form of cancer. Clio’s world suddenly changes and she decides to attend UCSD, a college close to her home. In college, Rose passes away, inspiring Clio to pursue medicine. Clio is devastated but chooses to mask her pain to help her parents heal. She resorts to humor both around her parents and her friends and buries herself in her studies, taking a few gap years to finish classes and take her MCAT so that she is a competitive applicant. Clio graduates with a degree in Biology and is one class away from a minor in biochemistry but missed a final exam due to a party (hey she’s not *that* studious). She has only had one long term relationship before medical school but this ends shortly before she begins. Clio is excited to live the single life and is looking for casual hookups without anything serious. This is also her first time experiencing winter and she buys a full body yellow snowsuit from the North face Everest Climber Line in preparation.

A few months after starting medical school, Clio becomes very well connected in the medical school town. She is known to frequently attend restaurant openings and party with important business owners in the town. Although she carries the death of her sister with her, you would never know that she is anything but happy; she lives life fully and genuinely as her sister would have wanted. For example, when Clio gets stressed from school, she books plane tickets to Miami, NYC, LV, or back home to LA usually citing that “her girls” have a sweet party waiting for her. Her most famous excursion is to DJ Khaled’s birthday party in Miami. Although Clio isn’t wealthy, her connections land her in the craziest places and her classmates are constantly wondering where she gets the money to jet set around the country. Clio is only friends with a small group of students in the medical school class, but the class as a whole loves her and loves to hear about her antics. She is extremely smart and does well in school due to her natural intelligence and definitely not because of her work ethic.

When people ask Clio why she went to medical school, she states that she always wanted to “make something of herself.” Although she loves the field of medicine, and initially went into the field after the death of her sister, Clio isn’t ready to save the world in family practice. Her dream is to open up a private practice surgery clinic in Miami.





## Levi Reyes - 25

Levi Reyes grew up poor in a small town outside of L.A. His dad manages a local grocery store and his mom works at a nail salon. Before Levi's family moved to the U.S. from Mexico (Levi was 6 when they moved), his family was middle class, and they struggled in the US for years when they first arrived. Originally, his dad worked as a taxi driver and still loves to tell stories from this time in his life. His father and mother both have a great outlook on life, are still very much in love, and are always joking, their loud voices booming around the house. Levi has 2 siblings, an older sister and a younger sister. His older sister is finishing law school and his younger sister is a college freshmen. Levi was valedictorian at his public high school and got into top schools when applying to college (including a few ivy league institutions). He chose to attend Berkeley because he was given a full ride and his parents were extremely proud of him. In college, Levi came out to his closest friends and felt more comfortable with his sexuality in the liberal bubble of Berkeley. Although Levi is open with a small group of friends at school and eventually with his older sister, he is not open to his parents, younger sister, or extended family. His parents are conservative Republicans that look down on Mexicans that immigrated illegally and he has heard them make overtly homophobic comments. Still, Levi and his parents are extremely close. He loves them and considers them to be his best friends.

In college, Levi majors in women's studies and environmental studies. He knew from the beginning that he wanted to go into medicine, but really struggled with pre-med classes at first. To balance the heavy science classes, Levi took classes in the women's studies and environmental studies programs and loved them. Throughout college, Levi had a great group of friends we'll periodically visit these friends throughout the show as they are all diverse and interested in cooking, theater, engineers, art, etc. On campus, he was involved with activist groups, organized a lot of teach-ins and sit-ins, went to rallies, protested the administration, and more. He worked really hard to compartmentalize this part of life from the close relationship he had with his conservative parents. One of Levi's proudest moments was getting arrested for shutting down a major intersection because he protested Black Lives matter. He spent a few hours in jail but the school was able to get him out.

During his sophomore year of college, Levi's grandmother had a rapid battle with pancreatic cancer that took her life. Although Levi's parents brought her to the US to seek the best treatment, Levi was extremely disappointed and frustrated with the language barrier that impacted his grandmother's health and this further propelled him to pursue medicine so that he could open up a bilingual practice in an underserved Latino community.

Before medical school, Levi worked at a non-profit for environmental sustainability. Additionally, he took a personal mission to go zero-waste the summer before medical school and made a compost for the house, used mason jars to store his limited garbage, and only showered from rainwater (happened only 4 times). His time spent in the Bay area also spurred an interest in startups, which will weave its way through the show.



**Julie Ann Lu - 26\***

\*age when entering show in last episode of Season 2

Julie Ann Lu is a 1st generation Chinese immigrant and only child whose parents moved to the United States after they got married. They lived in multiple cities (SF, NYC, NJ) before finally settling in a Philadelphia suburb. Her upbringing was solidly middle class, with her parents initially working odd jobs and eventually finding themselves at stable jobs in business and property management. Her mother is a tiger mom, which may have caused Julie Ann to be incredible competitive but a goofy father and loving grandparents (who moved in with the family when Julie Ann was in 6th grade) mellowed her out. Julie Ann turned out to be a sweet girl with a good sense of humor and with the motherly instincts her mom never had.

Julie Ann enters the show at the at end of season 2. She is a MD PhD student meaning she has already completed her first 2 years of medical school and completed her PhD by the time she joins the gang. Her PhD was in menopause in Asian Americans and was inspired by the research she did as an undergraduate student. Julie Ann went to the University of Pennsylvania for undergrad where she majored in Biology and minored in Eastern Religions. Julie Ann loves nature and her friends in college used to tease her when animals would come up to her by saying that she was a Disney princess in a past life. Throughout college, Julie Ann developed major test anxiety which continues to cause troubles in medical school. She initially thought she would go into neurosurgery but after her research, and due to the high pressure nature of surgery, she is more interested in the idea of pursuing a residency in OBGYN.

Julie Ann is extremely close with her parents and grandparents and, especially because she is an only child and the only girl, feels like she needs to take care of them and make sure they are happy. Julie Ann frequently visited them in undergrad and tries to fly home whenever possible in medical school. Although they are close, there is still some aspects of her social life that her immigrant parents wouldn't understand (drinking, dating etc.) so she keeps a little bit of her life separated.



## Micah Chehovsky – 26

Micah grew up with one younger brother in suburb right outside the city in which the medical school is situated. Even though his dad is a faculty member at the school, he doesn't feel as though he belongs at the school and doesn't know anyone at the beginning of the year. Unlike Isabelle who is also a legacy, Micah is a bit of a lost soul. Jack of all trades, master of many, Micah graduated from Carlton College with three different bachelor degrees - one in chemistry, the second in philosophy, and the third in creative writing - and went on to get his master's degree public health. After graduation, Micah spent some time in a circus before starting medical school. Even with all of this schooling, Micah feels as though he hasn't found his passionate and is craving a life dedicated to a singular field. As the year starts, Micah is really enjoying medical school but is too embarrassed to ask his parents to help him out with rent and ends up living in the basement of the medical school because of his crushing student loan debt. Luckily for Micah, he is perfectly comfortable living in the basement and even befriends some of the friendly security guard. Soon the basement becomes his home, Christmas decorations, photos and all. He tries to store his belongings in the one anatomy locker each student is assigned, but of course one locker isn't enough for all of his belongings, and his belongings have a way of showing up in various areas of the medical school library.

Since he doesn't know for certain what he wants to do, Micah is limited by an indecisiveness created by years of academia. Although Micah is really enjoying medical school, he is worried that he still won't be able to find his passion after all this time. This has made him a bit of a procrastinator and he tends to try and rest on his previous knowledge rather than push himself to learn the material fully. He also knows that his debt means he'll likely have to choose a high-paying specialty, which is always at the back of his mind.



### Samuel (Sam) Everest – 33

Samuel Everest is an African American father of 2 and is one of the oldest students in the medical school class. He grew up in the Quad Cities, Illinois in a small town home with small town values and originally plans to return to his home when he's finished his training as a family physician. He attended Stanford for undergrad and is considered by many to be a genius. He spent the next 8 years in the secret service including a 5-year stint as Navy interrogator/translator for his team "Seal Team 6." In the middle of his career, Sam's wife, Jaime, who he met at Stanford, became pregnant with their twin girls, and he was forced to make a choice. On the one hand, more and more people in the field were taking notice of Sam and many pushed him to pursue politics or private security. But Sam saw the toll that Jaime's tough pregnancy was taking on her, and he decided to step away from the secret service to go back to school, this time to medical school which was his earliest passion as a young child. The rest of the cast is unsure of what Sam's previous occupation involved, and all they know is that he worked for the government. Hints are dropped about his past profession but the students never find out exactly what he did.

Sam's life has slowed considerably since beginning medical school. His fraternal twin girls are 5 years old and are about to start 1st grade as he enters medical school. They are a bit mischievous and he often has to step out of lab to take calls from the school's principal. Regardless, his current life seems to be filled with marital, suburban bliss - almost. His past tends to still creep up on him and throughout the show he'll get called back in every now and then to complete "missions" about which the rest of the cast knows very little.

Sam's passion for a quiet life back in his childhood town is in constant conflict with his brilliance and the growing expectations of the medical school staff, who expects to become a world famous surgeon. Because of his quiet and easygoing nature, Sam quickly becomes a mentor to the other students (and even some faculty) and plays a dad role not only at home but at the school as well.



## SEASON BREAKDOWNS

### Season 1 - 10 Episodes: July - December 2018

This season introduces the main cast and follows them as they experience the first half of their M1 (first) year. This will involve lectures, small groups, leadership classes, a doctoring course in which the group learns how to perform physical exams and talk to patients, shadowing in the hospital, relationship amongst classmates, and more. Over the season, the characters will be trapped in the excitement and drama of the “medical school bubble” until the season finale, in which a few characters realize there is a world outside of medical school. A good friend of the main cast’s, Jason, decides to drop out in the season finale, causing the cast to begin to question their own place at the school. Rahul has been questioning whether medical school was the right choice for him the entire season and is even more shaken by Jason’s departure than the rest of the group.

Throughout this season, each of the main characters attempts to balance school, extracurricular activities, and a social life and all struggle with solidifying their identity in the medical school. For example, at the beginning of the season, Rahul, the leader of the gang, is single but soon develops a mutual flirtation with villain and legacy character Isabelle. At the same time, Eve, another student in their small group develops feelings for Rahul. When Isabelle breaks up with her long term boyfriend in the middle of the first season, her and Rahul’s flirtation grows stronger culminating in a kiss in the final episode witnessed by Eve. Meanwhile, lovable nerd Damien comes into medical school never having been in a relationship but ends up kissing medical school administrative assistant heather in episode 9. Levi, a California native who is out of the closet openly for the first time, meets a great guy but is faced with conflict when he pressures Levi into coming out to his conservative immigrant parents. Micah’s biggest concern is the fact that he’s living in the medical school basement and may get caught. And finally, Clio, the school’s social butterfly, is constantly dating someone new every three months and enjoys doing so.



## Season 2 - 20 Episodes: January - November 2019

By the time season 2 begins, the main characters have begun to adjust to the pace of school and begin to try to balance and maintain a life outside of medical school. Additionally, all of the students are split into pairs and assigned a patient with a chronic illness that they will get to know and follow each week long term. Rahul and Eve are paired together, which leads to uncomfortable moments as Eve discovers she has feelings for Rahul (who is currently in a relationship with Isabelle). The season builds and culminates in a final exam, which all students must pass before entering the next phase of medical school - clinical rotations in the hospital also known as “the wards.”

Rahul and Isabelle’s relationship starts strong and the two are in completely in a honeymoon phase. Over time, Rahul realizes he is not happy in the relationship partly because him and Isabelle are so different and partly because he is spending more time with Eve. While Eve was initially upset that Rahul and Isabelle were dating, she quickly got over this rejection and started to date an M3, a third year student. While meeting their patient at different times, both Rahul and Eve confide in their patient about their respective relationship struggles and what they are looking for in an ideal partner. Eve ultimately ends her relationship when her boyfriend starts to apply to residency programs. Eve doesn’t want to limit his choices to schools near her so she breaks things off with him. At the end of the season, Rahul and Eve’s patient passes away without warning, which brings them closer together and Rahul realizes that it is much easier for him to be vulnerable with Eve rather than with Isabelle. Something that Rahul and Eve’s patient always told them was to find someone who “speaks their language” and they realize that they find this in each other.

Meanwhile, Damien and Heather, who kissed at the end of season 1, try to develop a relationship that quickly fails in the first episode as we discover that Heather has been transferred to another medical school. While Damien is hurt, he decides to completely refocus himself to school until the end of the season when we are introduced to a new character, Julie Ann, who took time off for a PhD and is not returning to finish her medical degree. There is instant chemistry between Julie Ann and Damien.

Levi continues to look for love while also developing his passion for startups. Sam finds out his wife is pregnant with their third child towards the end of the season. Clio’s presence grows as she becomes more well connected in the small town and she dates a new guy every 3 months on rotation like clockwork. For a brief period, even her and Micah have a short lived fling.



### Season 3 - 20 Episodes: December 2019 - August 2020

Just as the cast has begun to feel comfortable in medical school, they are thrown into the hospital. The hospital is a chance for each of them to test out each specialty to see which specialty (for example - family medicine, OBGYN, peds, surgery etc.) they would like to pursue. The hospital environment is completely different than anything they have ever experienced and with little sleep and more responsibilities, they are forced to rely on each other, show empathy towards patients, and take care of their patients and their own mental health. The season ends with the gang finishing rotations and starting to study for STEP 1, the biggest medical school exam that is used to apply to residency programs.

Rahul and Eve start dating immediately, but their relationship is hindered by the fact that Rahul and Isabelle are in the same track (the entire medical school is split into smaller groups that rotate through the different fields together and each small group is called a track). Rahul and Isabelle are still working through their breakup and Eve hates that the beginning of their relationship, which should be their honeymoon phase, is being overshadowed by Rahul's breakup. She tells Rahul to sort out his breakup with Isabelle before dating her. Rahul has a hard time accepting this but does a grand gesture to win Eve back and show her that she is his priority in the middle of the season.

Meanwhile, Sam and his wife have some problems as Sam spends more time in the hospital. Sam's wife is pregnant and feel as though he's not present in her life in the capacity that she wants him to be. In addition, Sam has been balancing some external problems due to his last job as a field agent. The resolution to this issue arrives at the end of the season when Sam's wife gives birth during the gang's OBGYN rotation and he realizes again what's important to him.

Isabelle struggles under the immense pressure and stamina that is required of third year. To go into the field of dermatology, she needs to exceed in almost every rotation and she soon comes to the realization that she may not be able to live up to her parents' expectations even if she wanted to. At the same time, Damien and Julie Ann are an adorable couple, but Damien is struggling in school because he lacks the people skills and empathy that is required when seeing actual patients. Julie Ann helps him develop these skills. Levi starts talking to an intern (first year of residency after of medical school is called intern year) throughout their first rotation but because of rules within the school they can't date until Levi is not in the same rotation as the intern. They start to secretly hook up but Levi stops it. Eventually they start dating after they are done with their surgical rotation. Clio continues dating someone every 3 months until she finds someone that she actually starts to like and they don't break up after 3 months, which shocks the group. The relationship is great but the fact that her boyfriend is of a different religion starts to become a topic of conversation and he hints that it might be a problem for them later on.



#### Season 4 - 20 Episodes: September 2020 - May 2021

The season opens with the cast studying for the STEP 1 exam. This exam will determine a large portion of where the students can apply for residency program and even what kind of specialty they will be able to pursue (for example some specialties such as dermatology require a higher average score on the exam than family medicine). It is extremely hard to not get competitive and jealous during this period. After a few episodes, the group returns to the hospitals, but this time they are separated. At this point, they are able to explore more in depth the type of specialties interest them. Some of the students, including Rahul, are considering if they even want to practice clinical medicine or if they want to use their medical degree to work in another field. Rahul is still on the fence about what he wants to pursue and is increasingly anxious about his indecision as the rest of the group starts to hone in on what they want to do by the end of the season. Eve decides she wants to go into pediatrics and focus on journalism; Damien wants to do RadOnc; Isabelle decides (finally) that she does want to go into dermatology; Clio decides to go into plastic surgery; Levi wants to pursue internal medicine; Micah has known all along that he is interested in family medicine; Julie Ann picks OB/GYN; and Sam wants to go into trauma surgery with a focus on leadership. At this point they have just decided their fields but they still have a ways to go before they get there.

Rahul and Eve are going strong, however it's a little more difficult for them as they are not always together every day as they were before. At the end of the season, the idea of "couples matching" comes up and Rahul and Eve have to decide if they want to stay together. Couples matching is the idea that a couple can apply to residency programs together and the computer will pick a place that they both like. However, deciding to couples match is a huge problem because it means that the couples need to solidify their relationship and even start thinking about engagements/the idea of a long term relationship.

Clio and her boyfriend are a perfect match but religion becomes a big deal for the guy, which culminates into Clio giving him an ultimatum in the season finale: either he tells his parents or they break up. Her boyfriend himself isn't religious but his parents are and he fears that they will never be accepting of him being in a relationship with someone not of the same religion.

Sam originally wanted to go into family medicine and open up his own practice in a small town to get away from his hectic life as a secret service agent. However, now he is torn because of his love for surgery and pressure from the administration because he could be one of the best surgeons to come out of the medical school in years.

Additionally, Isabelle decides that she might want to take a year off to get a masters of clinical science to help out her application for dermatology. Micah continues to struggle with finding something he's passionate about and finally settles on family medicine, which was what he originally thought he might go into, because it has everything. The idea of couples matching also causes problems for Damien and Julie Ann who have been going strong throughout the clinical years and have not had any problems. Levi's boyfriend proposes to him in this season early on and plans to have the wedding in summer of 2021 (season 5).





## Season 5 - 15 Episodes: June - December 2021

In this season, the main cast is applying to residency programs and then traveling all across the country for interviews. Some episodes will contain only a few students as they happen to be in the same area, while others will have the cast back on campus finishing up their med school last courses and requirements for graduation.

Eve and Rahul officially decide to couple match as Rahul picks anesthesiology over not doing any clinical medicine. A few of his patients that he has gotten close to help him decide that he sees a meaningful life for himself in pursuing clinical medicine. Damien and Julie Ann initially decide to couple match but pressures from Damien's mother continue and he's conflicted. Eventually he fights his mother for the first time and decides to continue with the couple match. Levi and his bf get married in the beginning of the season (the entire cast is part of the wedding) and Levi wants to go to residency at the same hospital associated with the medical school. Isabelle decides to not take a gap year and risk applying to dermatology. Clio's boyfriend keeps pushing back the deadline about telling his parents and eventually Clio is fed up with it and breaks up with him. Sam travels to all these interviews and the audience finds out a little more about his background through Sam running into people from his past job. In addition, Sam and Clio interview on the same day in LA at the same hospital. This is where Sam and the audience find out Clio had a little sister that passed away (by reading a plaque dedicated to her in the hospital) and that's what made her want to go to medical school. Micah continues his zany antics but also finds a perfect girl for him on his interview trail.



## Season 6 - 15 Episode: January - May 2020

The final season opens up with our main cast finished with residency interviews and back on campus working in the hospital, doing research and other miscellaneous projects. Senioritis hits them hard and they realize that the second half of 4th year medical school is insanely relaxed but at the same time stressful as they are all awaiting their results. The season continues with the penultimate episode revealing where everyone got placed and their specialties. In the series finale, we watch as our cast say goodbye and end with all of them starting on their first day of residency signaling another journey ahead.

At the beginning of the season, Rahul proposes to Eve in an extremely elaborate and surprising way that involves the whole group. Clio's boyfriend ends up telling his parents about their relationship and they are extremely against it. They end up banning him from their house and end up calling her boyfriend and Clio every day multiple times a day to yell at them. They start berating Clio in front of her boyfriend. While her boyfriend stands up against his parents, Clio feels as though he is not standing up for her as much as she would want. Especially because of the death of her sister, it is extremely important that she be a part of a family that is loving and accepting. It is heartbreaking, but Clio breaks up with her boyfriend.

Damien and Julie Ann end up loving different residency locations throughout their interview experience and this puts great strain on their relationship. Because they have decided to couple's match, they will end up in the same city. Although they are risking their relationship, Julie Ann and Damien decide to break their couple's match. This is a huge relief to them and improves their relationship although it leaves the possibility that their relationship may not work out down the road.

Rahul and Eve match in NYC and are excited to move there. Damien ends up in Boston and Julie Ann end up in Washington. Levi stays at the same hospital with his husband, Clio goes back to LA for her plastics residency, Isabelle is very grateful to match into dermatology but not in a state she wanted (Montana), Micah gets the same location as Isabelle, and Sam also heads to Boston for his residency.

(surprise) BONUS episode: Cast comes back to school for their 5-year reunion.



# SEASON 1 TREATMENTS

## Episode 2

### Cold Open

Clip by clip we watch Damien and Clio wake up in the morning and get to the med school. Damien wakes up before sunrise, looking refreshed and excited for life. Clio is sound asleep. Damien showers and cleans up and puts on a polo and khakis, then cooks eggs and bacon while reading an article on PubMed. Clio snoozes the alarm multiple times and keeps sleeping. Damien starts his walk through a park on his way to school, observing animals and wildlife and appearing jolly. Clio finally rolls out of bed, with bedhead, and races to put on leggings and a hoodie, and gathers her things before briskly jogging/walking (trying not to act like she's running). Damien grabs a cup of coffee at the coffee shop in the library and sips on it outside. In the background, a big banner with Isabelle's face on it hangs above the school. Damien looks at it for a second before walking in. Clio walks past it and takes her phone out to snapchat it. Lastly, we see the two stroll into the classroom at about the same time as the required session begins.

### Act 1

Rahul, Isabelle, Damien, Clio, Levi, Micah, Sam and other non-main but regular background characters are studying in the computer lab as their first weekly exam (the topic being biochem) is only a day away. Clio is shopping online. Specifically for drones. Rahul joins in, discusses possible uses during medical school – maybe to grab his white coat that he left at home. Or to go get him lunch. Drones should have a grabber. Or even for patient visits – drones could be the future of medicine, flying around the hospital with drugs and IV bags, etc.

Damien shuffles through stacks of notecards quizzing himself, describing some of his methods. Rahul sees Damien studying furiously and divulges to Isabelle that he thinks he is going to fail the first exam. He is exhausted from studying all day and night, yet he feels like he actually knows nothing and the test is tomorrow. Meanwhile, he sees on social media how his classmates are often eating out, or enjoying the beautiful weather, and don't seem concerned in the slightest about the exam.

Rahul then decides to start playing a study game with Damien that involves one grape for every note card correct answer. Clio joins in and starts messing with Damien, giving wrong answers to see if Damien will fall for it. He does. Isabelle joins in the game, physically boxing Damien out to get grapes. Rahul gives up and goes back to studying because Isabelle has made it too intense.

After this distraction Rahul gets back to streaming lectures, at 2x, which includes Eastern European professor running around stage with a cape as some sort of superhero. The slides of cancer genetics/biochem, involving endless acronyms slide past his glossy eyes. Rahul buries his face in the keyboard. Meanwhile, Sam and Levi discuss the ethics of torture. Levi relates human torture to animal torture for the food industry. And Levi asks Sam "what if your friend or family member was tortured?" Sam thinks that it can be effective - a necessary evil. Clio steps in to ask if that conversation itself is torture.



## Act 2

The main characters are packing things up in the computer lab. Rahul is still streaming the same lecturer as before, except now our superhero professor is throwing candy into the crowd (at 2x). Isabelle grabs Rahul and tells him they have to go to a required session about study techniques. Rahul is more worried about the exam, and wants to keep studying but can't. The main characters walk in library to find the large-group session. They say hello to other friends on the way. Most are happy; Rahul jokes with someone about how he's going to bomb the exam and states sarcastically that he could use some new study techniques. Rahul, in a talking head, states that he's laughing on the outside and crying on the inside.

Now at the large-group session, Dr. Cooper asks generic questions of the audience about studying – who is visual learner, who uses note cards, who makes study guides. Clio cites this would be a great time for a drone and fly it around the lecture hall. Damien is studying his note cards during the session. Rahul, Isabelle, Levi, and Eve talk weekend plans. Isabelle is going to shadow a neurosurgeon. Rahul is going to dinner with his parents. Damien butts in about his plans to go for a hike and asks others if they want to come. Levi has a date on Saturday night with a super cute guy he met on Grindr. Eve was going to suggest hanging out with Rahul but says she'll mostly sleep and probably hang out with some friends. Several students are shown sleeping during the session. Clio takes a video of a classmate asleep, and then texts him/her the video which makes a loud noise and wakes him/her up.

The session ends and the students file out of the lecture hall. Dr. Cooper jumps in front of the camera and asks the cameraman how he thinks the session went.

Rahul then heads to a student org meeting for mentorship of high school students. In a talking head Rahul asks himself how he is supposed to be a good mentor if he never has time to study and fails all his exams. Rahul spends some time with classmates (non-main characters) and the young students, talking about college, medical school, and good study/life habits. One of them ask if he could take a look at a rash they have, which he laughs off and says he doesn't know anything yet. He then gets a text from Clio about meeting up in the slounge in 20 minutes to take a study break and says he'll be there.

Next, the gang - Rahul, Clio, Damien, Eve, Isabelle, Levi, and Micah - hang out in the student lounge (slounge). Levi is heating up a vegan burger in the microwave. Damien races in to see if there is any free food, and Heather offers him the last muffin from an earlier event - it is common for student orgs and others to leave free food in the slounge. Rahul vents about his anxiety about the test. Micah says he hasn't streamed anything yet but is feeling ok. Isabelle can't wait to get this test over with so she can focus on studying for Step 1. Clio looks to be falling asleep on the sofa in the slounge.

Eve and Levi get talking about Levi's upcoming date this weekend. Levi divulges that, until starting medical school, he hadn't really dated much because he didn't want his parents to find out. But in the last few months he has gone on a bunch of dates and it has been so much fun. Eve asks about how the dates have been going. While describing the failures and successes, we flashback through a few of Levi's dates - one ends with his date getting into an argument with a waitress and storming off, one ends with a premature butt grab goodbye that Levi is not expecting, one ends in the other guy apologizing for speaking so loudly the entire time even though Levi can barely hear him. To summarize, Levi is looking forward to the date this weekend and trying not to look back.



The rest of the group recaps how they've been studying and debate what the best strategy is - making flashcards but not studying them, writing your own practice questions, reading First Aid, etc. Rahul is wide-eyed as he hasn't done any of these things and has just been streaming and reading the presentation slides. He crumbles into the fetal position and starts to panic.

To finish this whirlwind of a day in which Rahul has gotten little studying done even though the test is tomorrow, the group has a CPR training session. At CPR training, Dr. Cooper is the instructor and is extraordinarily energetic. Students pair off, two per mannequin. Levi is appalled about the race and gender of mannequins and says so in a talking head. He then storms off to the bathroom to spray paint one brown. Isabelle takes CPR training too seriously. Damien punches the mannequin in the chest instead of doing chest compressions. Isabelle ridicules him, then proceeds to mess up herself by giving breaths way too often. Eve and Rahul are paired together and both are really awkward.

### Act 3

Exam day – students show up to the library anxious and nervous. Rahul is cramming studying outside the computer lab before the exam. The wellness team is there giving out stress balls, which makes Rahul feel even worse. Isabelle is repeatedly crushing her stress ball, saying she was born ready for this exam. Damien is still studying furiously but knows everything he quizzes himself on. Damien talks to fellow classmates about obscure details. The time comes to take the exam. All students are in a computer lab taking the exam at one time. Rahul is taking it really slow, but starts to feel less stressed. No one else seems to be as stressed as him, he's studied a lot, and *everyone* can't fail, right? Damien, Isabelle, and Sam are flying through. Clio shows up halfway through the exam but is still able to take it.

Rahul fails the exam by a close margin (71% with 75% being passing), all others pass the exam. The main characters meet in the slounge after the exam to discuss it. Damien is still bummed because he didn't get a 100. Isabelle challenges Damien on who got the higher score afterwards. They talk details of the various questions on the exam. Eve, Levi, and Sam all passed and are relieved and excited for the weekend. Rahul is shell-shocked. Clio tries to put him at ease, but Rahul can only worry about the repercussions of failing the exam.

While discussing the exam with the others, Rahul gets an email from Dr. Cooper about meeting regarding his exam results. Rahul is super bummed, the others joke about how Dr. Cooper will just tell him to do spaced-repetition, and form a study group. Rahul decides to just meet with Dr. Cooper now. Dr. Cooper informs him that 20 students failed this first exam, this happens every year for the first exam, he is not in trouble. He gives good advice about life balance, study techniques, etc. This all puts Rahul at ease and gives him the motivation to push through the weekend and into next week.

### Tag:

Scenes of various main characters and their weekend activities – Damien in the park observing squirrels, Rahul is studying at home leisurely before heading to dinner with parents. Sam playing with kids.

Levi goes out with his hunk of a date at a nice restaurant.



Isabelle, after shadowing in neurosurgery, is at home. She has a latex glove on and is holding down her cat. She divulges that the digital rectal exam is coming up and she has to get up to speed somehow.



## Episode 3

### Cold Open

Open with Isabelle handing out brand new Lulu Lemon scrubs in the student lounge for those who ordered them. Everyone is trying on their new scrubs, some are talking about tailoring them and they have a place they could recommend after tailoring their white coat. We cut to a talking head with Rahul explaining that it's the day before their first anatomy lab and people are pretty excited/nervous. Damien is using his dad's old scrubs, Micah found scrubs in the basement that look kind of dirty and may have blood stains, and we see Rahul looking lost as he forgot to order scrubs asking if anyone has any extra. At the end, the students do a mini scrub fashion show in the slounge to celebrate the start of anatomy.

### Act 1

The main cast are sitting in lecture hall; everyone wearing their new scrubs, except for Rahul who's still searching for a pair. Noticeably absent is Clio, but the gang has gotten used to the fact the sometimes she's traveling and doesn't show up. Still, they are surprised she would miss the first day. At the front of the lecture two anatomy professors, one eccentric and one sentimental, are giving tips and no no's for the anatomy lab. With their first slide saying no snapchatting or taking pictures with the donors. We see some students slowly put their phone away. We cut back to our group discussing their feelings about the first day of anatomy. Rahul is still looking for scrubs when Micah suggests he goes to the lockers because he saw some extra there.

Rahul takes his advice and dips out of lecture to go search for scrubs. We follow Rahul who looks but he can't find them but he finds a staircase leading to the basement and remembers Micah mentioning it a few times so it couldn't hurt to look. When he goes down there he's shocked to see it seems like someone has been living in the old student lounge.

We cut back to the lecture where our anatomy professors are talking about normal situations that happen in anatomy and what to do: such as someone fainting, running out, and feeling hungry after anatomy. Eve is looking slightly more nervous and Levi asks if she's alright, to which she just nods back. They continue to discuss the craziness of anatomy and wonder if anyone will faint.

We cut back to Rahul who's going through the secret living space he just found, looking at clothes, a bed, and even a T.V. which he turns on and to his surprise is connected to all these apps such as Netflix, HBO, Amazon which he can stream. He says he has to tell the gang.

Meanwhile, our anatomy professors are going over the prework which consists of a ridiculous amount of work such as watching pre-recorded lectures, doing modules, reading a book, attending a small group, taking an online quiz, and finishing an anatomy coloring book, which only Damien did. The group discusses how no one has time for that when Rahul slips back in and is just about to share his exciting news saying "I found someone living in the -" when the anatomy professors say it's time to go to the lab. We zoom in on Micah so the audience knows it's him.

The students become quiet and then excitedly walk into the labs. The smell gets to some people and they 'plug' their nose, someone even brought nose plugs, however Damien breaths it in with pleasure. Rahul forgetting all about his scrubs, wears an eclectic group of



clothing articles to not stain his clothes. Our group gets to the donor body and reads off the age and how she/he died. Someone lifts the drape and shows their wide range of reactions.

## Act 2

Open with our characters reactions to the donor. The eccentric anatomy professor creeps up behind them and scares all of them a little; Levi and Isabelle jumping away. He asks what they're waiting for and tells them to start.

Our main group is split amongst two donor bodies with Damien, Sam, Eve, Jason and supposedly Clio are on one body and Rahul, Isabelle, Levi, and Micah are on another. Sam, Damien, Eve and Jason are flying through and doing a really good job until Damien rips off some part of the skin which makes Eve feel nauseous and falls to the ground. Sam also makes a small comment about how skinning a human is at least easier than skinning a bear. The group brushes off this comment. After Eve falls, Rahul is luckily there to half catch her in an act of old school chivalry. Both teams continue to work, we cut to a talking head with Rahul saying he's been trying to avoid stains (with B-roll footage in the background) but it's been hard.

We cut back to our two anatomy tables where Rahul finally tells the group about how he found someone living in the basement. They are all shocked but are too focused on anatomy to care about that in the moment. Micah, however does care and in a talking head he's just like oh my god.

Focusing in on anatomy, it seems like both groups have gotten in the groove, with a little flirty competitive action between Rahul and Isabelle, who still has a boyfriend. Rahul is teasing Isabelle for all the posters up around school in her honor (Isabelle saved the person who fell in the tag of the last episode and the school is highlighting her achievements). It doesn't last as both anatomy professors rush by carrying a student with a bleeding hand. In their distraction, Rahul presses on something too deep, which squirts juice onto Isabelle who's livid and storms out as Rahul tries to apologize. Eve half smiles as she storms out.

Rahul, who's now over the whole anatomy gig, tries to bring back the conversation to the basement dweller as he's now nicknamed it and finally people are interested. Damien, Sam, Eve and Jason are already done so they come and join the others to help them finish. As they're discussing, Jason who isn't paying much attention to where he's cutting ends up cutting a wire in the body and some sparks fly. The group are slightly confused and Rahul investigates with a tool and more sparks fly which make them all step back. Sam puts his hands in front of Rahul and Eve who are next him. A small fire starts and then it quickly engulfs the body as it's filled with alcohol and other fluids to keep the body intact. The group stands there shocked.

## Act 3

Rahul, Damien, Levi, Eve, Isabelle, Micah and Jason stand there while Sam uses a fire extinguisher to spray the body. Both anatomy professors are standing there commenting on how this is very unusual and has never happened before. The sassy professor makes a comment on how it got a cremation for free. The sentimental doctor comments on how even in the





afterlife the pacemaker still beat for its human. The students leave shocked as they did not expect that as their first anatomy donor.

The scene cuts to a ceremony later in the evening, honoring the anatomical donor. A choir sings, a string quartet plays, all while the students watch in on the crowd. At the end of the ceremony, as a casket is rolled out of the auditorium and down a ramp, it falls off the gurney. They're shocked and everyone tries to remain professional but they can't.

Our group moves on from the ceremony, discussing the day's events when Rahul brings up how they still never found out who lived in the basement. Micah suggests he'll do some investigating to try to get them off his tail. As they walk out Rahul asks Isabelle if she's ok and apologies again, she's over it and things seem back to normal with them. Rahul says he left his backpack in the lockers back at school.

Cut to Rahul back at school getting his backpack out but he hears someone singing in the shower. He stares at the camera thinking that this could be the basement dweller. He waits and sees Micah walk out and into the basement. Rahul's shocked.

### **Tag**

Micah explains all the perks of living in the basement a la MTV cribs style.



## Episode 4

### Cold Open

Rahul is sprinting through the hallways along with Eve and Jason. They're rushing to an office and as they turn the corner, Rahul sees the office is just closing and sprints ahead to try to make it to the office before they close. We see the office shut and Rahul let's out a big 'ugh'. We cut to a talking head where Rahul, still slightly out of breath, explains that the administration wants them to learn about medication adherence for patients. Rahul has to pause so Eve continues by saying that, as an exercise, each student was given a medication prescription and some degree of health insurance. Rahul was given "uninsured" so he was trying to find out if he could get the meds (they are actually just tic-tacs for the exercise), and Eve needed hers too. Show B-roll of them trying to go at all different times barely missing it every time and hold up the time sheet showing the weirdest times ever.

### Act 1

Rahul, Eve, Isabelle, Damien and Clio sit in one of the study rooms at the library with books and notebooks and writing utensils around them. They're discussing the pills, and how it's been hard to remember to take them or even get them. They're interrupted when the door to the room next to him opens and Rahul hears a crash and screaming, followed by laughter. He goes outside and listens to the loud whispers of undergrad students debating the merits of various pre-med activities. Rahul goes back inside and shakes his head to the group. We cut to a talking head of Rahul who talks about how the undergrads have taken over now that their semester has started. Show B-roll of our group constantly leaving the library due to boisterous undergrads. Cut back to Rahul who starts packing his stuff, a group of professional dressed interviewees walk by and look inside as if they are an exhibit, one of them taps on the glass. Rahul deadpans the camera.

The main cast sit in the student lounge, discussing the problem of the undergrads, and the fact that interview season is upon them. Isabelle suggests they get help from Sam, and Eve suggests Micah because he would be the type of person to have tricks up his sleeve. Rahul wanting to find out more about Micah agrees with Eve and suggests that they develop their plans a little more and reconvene later.

Rahul sits in lecture, flummoxed and stressed out by the sheer amount of material the lecturer is breezing through with each minute. Isabelle sits next to Sam during the lecture and asks if Sam would give a stern talking to the undergrads flooding the library. Sam replies that he'll look into the matter. Next to them Levi struggles with all of his dating apps, which he only downloaded at the suggestion of Clio, but so far it's just been more of a frustration. Damien randomly sprints off in the middle of lecture and we follow him to see him grabbing boxed lunches from the interview lunch. Micah had the same idea and they are just leaving when they bump into Clio 'leading' a tour group of interviewees, giving the real details of med school sprinkled with fake history.

We cut to Sam walking down a hallway when he's approached by an admissions faculty who explains that their interviewer and back up interviewer had to run to emergencies and they know certain parts of his background and was wondering if he could do the interview. Sam says yes.



Back in the student lounge Isabelle and Eve are there with Levi and Damien but the others are nowhere to be seen. They decide to ask Sam for help with the overcrowding problem but can't find him or get a hold of him.

## Act 2

Now downstairs, Micah and Eve are sifting through random electronics and grab whatever they can get and come back to the student lounge, where they see Rahul, Isabelle and Levi frustrated that they could never find Sam. Rahul mentions he heard some buzzing and is annoyed there might be flies the library because of the trash the undergrads bring. Micah says he and Eve may have an idea but needs some time.

Cut to Sam who's sitting face to face with a student, interviewing about medical school. It's going well but every now and then Sam will revert back to his interrogation past and ask a series of ridiculous questions.

Back in the group the others take turns sharing any ideas for the undergrad/interviewee problem. Damien suggests bear traps, Eve suggests goodwill and diplomacy. Sam is nowhere to be found. Jason suggests maybe they just go in and lecture the students on how rude they're being. Clio reveals the drone she bought online and suggests they annoy the undergrads away. A few of them stand together navigating the drone, which is holding something gross like scrubs stained with fake blood. The drone flies into a study lounge and the undergrads shriek and flee. Our team starts congratulating each other, only to watch a school official emerge and destroy the drone.

Dejected, Rahul finally decides it's time to confront Micah and goes to the basement to find him there working on some gadget. After a long conversation about Micah living in the basement and Rahul offering Micah his couch to crash on, Micah explains to Rahul his brilliant idea of installing high pitched radio devices throughout the library because only young people can hear it. He says he got the idea when Rahul said buzzing. Rahul, skeptical of the idea, decides to commit to this plan.

Cut to scenes where the group are planting devices in different areas. Levi has to plant his near the café, and chats up a cute guy working there in order to get into the back room. Cut back to Sam who's in the middle of interviewing a student when he cries out and covers his ears. Sam is very confused and we cut to other places in the library where students are driven out. Of course Damien is also affected but Heather is with him and gives him these noise cancelling headphones. They share a smile. Damien isn't the only one affected as most of our group can hear it so they have to shut it off.

## Act 3

Dr. Cooper and Dr. Bly sit facing Rahul and Micah the masterminds behind the attack. They discuss that they caused a lot of problems and there should be consequences but understand that they have a real issue. They have a solution for them and they say she's waiting downstairs.

There's a new table at the library, manned by a security guard: Janet. Rahul and Micah look to each other and laugh; guess the solution could've been easier. Isabelle, Clio, Levi and Eve are also there with Clio already chatting it up with Janet. Rahul asks Isabelle if she wants to go for dinner as a few of them are going but Isabelle says she can't because her boyfriend Josh



is in town but isn't really happy about it. As they're walking out Levi says he forgot something and goes back to the library. Levi goes to the café to see the cute guy packing up and asks for the radio device back. The guy goes to get it and slips his number in there as well. Levi looks at the camera and says see without grindr, tumblr, etc.

**Tag**

Cut to dinner where they're all happily eating but they all get a notification about the medication 'pharmacy' being open. Rahul is like shit and sprints to the med school office only to get to it right as it's closing and misses it again.

## Episode 5

### Cold Open

Rahul, Isabelle, Eve, Damien, Clio, Levi, Micah, Sam, Jason and a bunch of other med students are studying in the library computer lab when someone's phone starts buzzing. Then another until pretty soon buzzing, dings and other tones fill the library. Cut to a talking head with Rahul who explains that their mailing system changed the default from reply to reply all, which apparently makes so much sense (sarcasm). Cut back to the library where people are shouting to others to stop replying. One individual gets up on his chair and starts screaming to stop replying all. Cut back to Rahul talking head who says, to think it all started with poor Dr. Ranjit forgetting his laptop.

### Act 1

Rahul, Eve, Isabelle, Damien, Levi, Micah, Sam and Jason are all sitting in a cardiology lecture (they cannot stream as the 'replyall' gate has IT swamped and they shut down systems). In lecture, they are learning about the symptoms and risk factors of sudden cardiac events such as heart attacks, pulmonary embolism, and aortic dissections. These include chest pain, racing heart and risk factors are genetic, birth control, sedentary lifestyle, and others. A lot of these speak to the students and you can see that they are nervous but quickly forget about it after lecture is over.

The students all go to the slounge for lunch and are eating and discussing some of the risk factors from the lecture they just had, the reply-all gate and also the pharmacy game. Some of them are feeling their chest for pounding heart or palpitations. We cut to a talking head with Rahul who finally got his meds and holds up a little plastic baggy with tic tacs and says it's been hard to keep track of when to take them. Cut back to the group who are now discussing the rest of the day where they are going to be experiencing the hospital for the first time. During the discussion, they get an email describing where in the hospital they will be working/shadowing. Most of the crew is excited, however Isabelle is disappointed as she learns she's going to shadow an MRI tech instead of something related to dermatology. They all head off to their sites with Rahul, Eve and Sam together, Isabelle, Levi with Micah with the MRI Tech, and Clio, Damien and Jason with an internist nurse. Rahul, Eve and Sam are in the ED following a clerk and as they excitedly arrive at their station they are met with a rude individual who's definitely burnt-out/jaded with his job.

### Act 2

Rahul, Eve and Sam are a little shocked at the clerk and how he doesn't like his job. Isabelle, Levi and Micah have gotten to their experience and are in the middle of measuring an MRI machine. Clio, Damien and Jason are currently hanging out in team room with Clio talking up a storm to a bunch of people who clearly know her and she knows them. Jason is just sitting there in awe that she knows so many people. They eventually get a code and are asked to come just in case they're needed to help. Clio is a little nervous, which is a first for her but Clio and Jason leave while Damien is left behind as he was in the bathroom and comes back to an empty room.



Meanwhile, Rahul, Eve, and Sam are just watching the clerk do some paperwork and scheduling. They're bored and clearly not doing much when the clerk randomly mulls to himself saying he wish he worked in a different field than healthcare. This comment means nothing to the clerk as he probably says something similar every day, but it resonates with Rahul. The clerk asks them about their lives, if they're single. Rahul and Eve both say no and he looks back and forth between them and asks Rahul if he's looking to date. Rahul says he never wanted to date a doctor but after entering med school maybe that's changed. The topic changes as the clerk has to admit a new patient who had a heart attack. Rahul starts to notice his heart pounding faster and harder, which stresses him a little.

We cut back to Isabelle, Levi and Micah who are attempting to get a large patient into the MRI machine and having little luck. Levi asks Isabelle how Josh is doing because he was just in town and Isabelle shrugs and says I'm not sure anymore but she does mention the how she's on birth control and how it slightly scares her. Isabelle and Levi then discuss Levi's new boyfriend.

We cut to Clio and Jason who have reached the code and are the first to arrive, however before they help a crash team comes and tries to rescue the patient. Jason is stressed that the patient is not going to make it, which causes his heart to pound and he feels like he has pain in his left arm. When it looks like they're about to save her we cut to Isabelle and Micah who are having another disappointing day. They haven't gotten the patient in and the MRI tech gives up and says ok we're going to transport him to the Zoo because they have MRI machines for animals. Micah is pretty shocked along with Isabelle but Levi is livid and thinks that's super rude of them. The scene ends with Levi and the patient talking about how he felt being asked to go to the zoo. Isabelle says her leg hurts a little and when they're about to go she says she'll see them later as she has to do something in the hospital.

Clio and Jason, watch as the patient is taken out of code and revived for now but still unstable. Jason is distressed and feeling his chest and Clio asks if he's ok. He replies he's fine but is just going to walk outside for some fresh air.

In the ED, Eve, Rahul and Sam are ready to go but Rahul says he's going to stay back and check something out. Eve asks if everything is ok and he replies yeah before heading back.

### **Act 3**

Rahul goes to the clerk and asks him can he check himself in because he thinks he's having a heart attack. He goes on about his family history of coronary artery disease and during his speech, Isabelle shows up panicked thinking she has a DVT, with Jason following not long after thinking he's having some sort of sudden cardiac event. The clerk rolls his eyes but they barge past him and enter the ED which is relatively calm. They recognize Dr. Brian from one of their lectures and all start speaking at once. Dr. Brian sits them down and say they're just panicking because of the lecture. He proves it by measuring their blood pressure and doing a quick ultrasound. They're relieved and laugh it off as they walk home.

### **Tag**

Levi and the guy go to the zoo for the MRI and Levi has a blast because he hangs out with a giraffe who's waiting to get an MRI after the patient. The giraffe caretaker notices Levi is wearing a white coat and asks him if could take a look at this rash that's been bothering him.



## Episode 6

### Cold Open

Rahul, Levi, Damien, Isabelle, and Eve all in line to get their prison mug shots taken. In a talking head, Rahul expresses disbelief at being arrested, and during medical school of all life-events. Levi, to the group says he/they should never have listened to Rahul--if only HE had just planned and managed the entire project, they could all be at home right now eating 365-brand candy corn, and watching the new Netflix documentary on The US's 10 most tyrannical factory farm CEOs. Damien has a talking head during which he freaks out and, in detail, describes his life's new trajectory now that he has been arrested. It's extremely dramatic and involves him being killed during a gas-station heist at the age of 25 (he would have been forced to work as a gas-station cashier due to being expelled from med school). Cut to all of them in the telephone room, debating who--if anyone--they'll call. They argue about whether it's a good idea to call one of the administrators to come bail them out when they notice Damien already on the phone. They gesture at him to be quiet/hang up. Damien cries as he leaves a message on his mom's land-line, saying something like "...uh never mind, I'm good. Everything's fine," before hanging up abruptly.

Opening Credits (3-4 days earlier...)

### Act 1

The students receive an email announcing the awarding of a grant to a student or group of students interested in pursuing a health disparities project. Students must fill out an application that includes the design of a brief pilot study as well as a small amount of preliminary data showing they are capable of conducting the project they propose. Levi jumps at the opportunity, but doesn't have a fully-baked idea of what he wants to do. He goes around their small group room asking people to help him. Rahul agrees, unable to think of a reason not to. Damien and Isabelle agree, thinking that such a project would help pad their resumes. Eve initially claims to be "too busy," but changes her mind after Rahul agrees, saying "why not, it could be fun." After some deliberation, Rahul suggests the creation of a weekly "student-run free-clinic" at the local soup kitchen Levi approves. The gang resolves to visit the local soup kitchen the next day to pose the idea and to begin preparation. Meanwhile, Micah frets over a DIFFERENT email sent out by the administration--one that says the med school is looking into building a gym for the students and has a few locations in mind, one of which is the old student lounge in the basement (Micah's current home). He tries calling a local property management company, but when they put him on hold ("All our representatives are busy. You are caller number....47"), he yells in frustration and decides that he'll "make this work," meaning he intends to keep living in the basement.

### Act 2

Levi, Rahul, Isabelle, Eve and Damien all go to the soup kitchen and talk to the staff and volunteers about starting a free clinic here and they think it's a great idea. After an encouraging visit, Levi and co. return to the library where Levi runs into Brayden, a member of the gunner



squad. Amidst their small-talk Brayden somehow not only casually mentions that he too (along with his gunner friends) is preparing a pilot project for the disparities grant, but also mentions that his project is already exceeding his expectations--they've already held a successful morning clinic at a student-run free clinic they set up in a rural community West of town. Levi, pissed at being beaten to the creation of an SFRC, sprints to break the bad news/yell at Rahul, Eve, Isabelle, and Damien, who are studying in one of the classrooms in the library. Rahul, annoyed at Levi's unreasonable blaming and accusatory tone, mockingly suggests that they one-up the gunners by doing some ridiculous street medicine run where they successfully cure the town's entire homeless population of ALL of their medical conditions. Levi doesn't get the joke, and thinks about Rahul's idea earnestly for a few seconds before muttering "there's an idea," under his breath. Damien mentions that the idea reminds him of a famous and successful ethnography he read about in an undergrad anthro class. Levi builds on that, saying that cultural anthropology is imperialistic and evil, but they *could* dress up as homeless people in order to distance themselves from authority figures that have historically oppressed the homeless in an effort to earn their trust. Eve and Rahul share a skeptical look and discuss how it was just a joke, highly insensitive, and potentially dangerous, but not before Levi interrupts them shouting "WE'RE DOING IT!"

Back at the library, via a talking head, Micah explains how the gym construction crew surveys the basement at 9 pm every night, and that some of the crew members are unsettled because they keep hearing "unexplained" noises. He reveals that he plans to take advantage of their state of fear and scare them away for good so he can keep residing in the basement. He shares his plan with Rahul who Rahul says "that's straight out of an episode of Scooby-doo," to which Micah responds "exactly--and I can't think of a single episode where it didn't work out perfectly for them." Rahul says he would love to help but is helping Levi and suggests getting Jason to help.

The Levi/Rahul/Eve/Damien/Isabelle gang is out on the streets, quite offensively looking like stereotypically homeless people (they all have shopping carts, but everyone has only like 1 item in their cart), covertly and awkwardly asking a real homeless man about his last blood pressure reading/A1c. He laughs, says he has no idea what they're talking about, and invites them "over to Big Jim's place," because they seem like good guys. Levi is into the idea, but Rahul and Eve are skeptical, that they have no idea who "Big Jim" is, and generally that they've bitten off more than they can chew. Levi counters that this is their big "in" to the community of the population they intend to serve, and as such, they shouldn't squander such an opportunity. [Also in order to best serve your community, you have to really understand them]. The camera crew (up until this point, following the gang at a distance) tails the gang, and then hides behind some bushes as they prepare to meet "Big Jim."

Back at Taubman, Micah & Jason (via talking head) walks the camera crew through his plan. He shows them a map of the basement, complete with the placement of speakers that will emit scary noises, the path the construction crew will likely use to escape, Micah's hiding spot (where he'll jump out from and scare them), and a place where the camera crew can hide to get the best footage of the action.

Back at Big Jim's, Levi is thriving and getting a lot of attention for his work. One of them asks the group if they could take a look at her rash. Rahul is finally into the idea and is having a





blast. Just as things are going well sirens wail out of nowhere and at the same time, bright lights flash into the house. Big Jim says every man for themselves and splits.

### **Act 3**

Downtown, the gang is in line to get their mug-shots taken, and the events from the cold open take place. Rahul reveals that “Big Jim” was a local drug dealer whose house was raided by the police as they were doing their street medicine run. Levi still blames them. Damien’s alarm watch goes off indicating he has to take his (fake) meds and asks the guards if he can have his medication. The guards pull out the bag of tic-tacs and look at it carefully and says they don’t look like real prescription meds and throws them out.

Sam surreptitiously arrives and bails them out, but not before they all freak out and start blaming one-another. In a talking head, Sam reveals that Micah told him about their ridiculous plan in passing and he has a police radio in his car and knew it had to be them. Sam gives them a stern talk before driving them back home.

Back at the library Micah’s plan works perfectly as him and Jason scare away the construction crew.

### **Tag**

Construction crew members can talk about the ghost they witness. Some think it’s batman, others think it’s the ghosts of the anatomical donors.



## Episode 7

### Cold Open

Micah, Rahul, Levi, and Isabelle are getting into Isabelle's car with lots of groceries. Isabelle was down to her last Keurig cup and Micah was super excited he found Strawberry-Jalapeno yogurt to put in his smoothies. Rahul is pumped to try and make one of his mom's favorite recipes. Levi is annoyed that everyone didn't bring their own reusable bags. Isabelle drops Micah off at what she thought was his apartment complex before heading home. As Micah crosses the street to the medical school his bag rips and the yogurt explodes instantly all over the road. A bag of apples starts bouncing down the street as Micah bends over, stopping traffic, to consolidate the remaining items of his broken bag.

### Act 1

We open up in small group with Dr. Cooper and Dr. Bly telling the students it's alternative medicine day. Dr. Cooper is pumped, Dr. Bly.... not so much. The students will be dispersed into three locations: a sound shaman, a prison, and a spa. The prison will take 4 people, the spa will take 3, and the sound shaman will only have 2 people as the shaman believes an intimate setting is necessary for the complete experience. Clio calls dibs on the spa because she obviously deserves it the most. This prompts Bly to suggest they all say why they are most deserving of the spa day. After they all get super gunnery with their answers and Bly can't choose, he decides to just draw out of a hat. Damien, Sam, Jason, and Isabelle get the prison; Levi, Clio, and Micah get the spa; and Rahul and Eve get the sound shaman.

We cut to Dr. Cooper driving Rahul and Eve to the sound shaman while singing along to a Spotify playlist he found from a shaman (there aren't a lot words in the songs, mainly just noises that he tries to imitate). Sam is driving the prison gang and pulls down the T.V. in his car for Damien, who quietly watches Winnie the Pooh. Finally, we see Dr. Bly pulling into the spa with his group, talking about how alternative medicine is BS. They enter the spa and are greeted by a bubbly woman, Susan Bly, Dr. Bly's wife.

### Act 2:

Open in a massage room with Mrs. Bly talking about the different services they offer and the types of medical conditions they treat. Dr. Bly guffaws which gets a glare from his wife. Dr. B says something about spas not being real medicine and Mrs. Bly says "that's not what you said last night." Mrs. Bly says they're going to start with a Thai massage. She tells them to get on the tables and the masseuse will be with them shortly. Her and Dr. Bly exit the room as Levi/Clio/Micah get on the tables as peaceful music plays in the background.

The sound shaman welcomes Rahul, Eve, and Dr. Cooper into her home. It is very eclectic with lots of *cats* roaming around. They all sit cross legged on the ground as the shaman explains that her role is "to *catalyse* an imaginary inner environment which is experienced as a sacred space-time." People come to the sound shaman for healing power as she can direct spiritual energy into afflicted people. As Rahul and Eve are not sick, the shaman invites them to



use the experience to get in touch with their true inner feelings. She has them get into positions for the first exercise as we cut to prison.

Cut to prison which is a stark contrast from the peaceful spa. They are all aggressively being patted down for weapons. Sam has a small smile across his face, Jason looks intrigued, Isabelle has a stone-cold expression, Damien is terrified. Cut to talking head of Sam who says he would consider prison medicine as a career. Damien talking head talks about how he never thought he would go to prison let alone twice but he watched Shawshank Redemption with his mom once and it did not make prison seem like a fun place. A nurse greets them and shows them around the place. The nurse has an appointment that she says they can observe. They enter the room where a guard is waiting with the inmate. They begin the appointment when suddenly the lights go out. Damien and Isabelle scream.

Cut to screams at the spa. The Thai massage turns out to be super painful and the 3 students are not enjoying it. Mrs. Bly walks in (without Dr. Bly) with a different masseuse and says the next item on their itinerary is an eye massage which is beneficial for relieving headaches and strained eyes. The eye massage looks a little weird but turns out to be very relaxing.

Cooper is sitting cross-legged in front of Eve, Rahul is in the same position in front of the sound shaman. They are learning how to feel each other's energies. Cooper's eyes are closed while Eve hovers her hands near his temples. Sound shaman asks what she feels. Eve gives Rahul a "what the heck am I supposed to feel" kind of look before saying she thinks it feels warm. Next the sound shaman does the same to Rahul. While her hands are hovering she starts breaking out in chant, Cooper joins her. The sound shaman stops abruptly amazed at the intensity of the vibes she was feeling: a conflict between love and fear. Rahul gets red and shrugs.

Back in the prison, it's still pitch black. Damien is asking if they're going to be okay, the guard tells everyone to stay still and sternly asks the inmate where they are, the inmate responds calmly where he is and that he's still sitting in the chair with his hands up. Sam turns his phone flashlight on. Another guard comes in and explains that the power went out and everyone must stay where they are until it comes back.

At the spa, the students have just changed into outfits for the mud bath (which they're told is good for psoriasis and osteoarthritis). They're talking about Dr. Bly and his wife when they walk into the room and see Dr. Bly chilling in the mud bath already (not necessarily a sight they wanted to see). They ask Dr. Bly what he's still doing there. Dr. Bly says although he still thinks all the spa health benefits are just placebo effect, his weekly mud baths keep him sane.

At the sound shaman, they are sitting in a circle holding hands. The sound shaman and Cooper are singing. The sound shaman encourages them to close their eyes and feel the energy coursing through them. Eve looks startled for a second and briefly opens her eyes to glance at Rahul. The shaman now says she's going to take each of them on an individual journey and picks Eve first. The Shaman takes her and 'feels' the energy to find that there are some feelings



deep down. The Shaman also says specifics on who she would be compatible with and Rahul is a perfect match.

Back at prison the whole group (guard and inmate included) are playing Heads Up in a room dimly lit with iPhone flashlights. This reveals interesting insights into Isabelle and Sam's past.

At the sound shaman, Rahul is now with the shaman getting his personal session. The shaman says that Rahul is very conflicted both in his personal and professional life. She too gives Rahul specifics on who could help his conflicts, which clearly indicate Eve but he doesn't see it that way.

### **Act 3**

In the prison, the lights come back on but they're mid game so they have to finish. Talking head with Damien: Prison was nothing like Shawshank Redemption, it was a lot of fun. Right before they leave, the inmate asks "you guys are doctors right, can you look at this rash?".

Dr. Cooper drops Rahul and Eve back to the library and continues to sing shaman tunes as he drives away. Eve and Rahul stand for a moment both waiting for one to say something but neither do. Eve says she'll see him later and walks away, with Rahul standing they're kind of like ugh.

We finish briefly at school where everyone is gathered in slounge talking about their day. The spa crew is talking about how fun their day was and Damien chimes in that prison was really cool too. Clio asked Rahul if they also had a good day with the sound shaman. Rahul's response is something along the lines of "it was weird. The shaman kept trying to make us get in touch with our feeling but it was just a bunch of bogus if you ask me. Don't you think so Eve?" Eve is kind of lost in a train of thought and it takes her a second to compose herself before unconvincingly agreeing that it was totally bogus.

### **Tag:**

Micah is showing Damien the Thai massage. Damien does not enjoy it.



## Episode 8

### Cold Open:

Dr. Cooper is sitting in a coffee shop with his laptop open. He has a grocery bag and opens it for the camera to reveal a dozen boxes of latex gloves. “Last week we taught the students about alternative medicine. This week is as real as it gets. We’re learning the digital rectal exam. I’m finishing up some slides for our small group today.” A woman sitting at the next table with her child notices what is on Cooper’s screen and moves to another table with a look of disgust. The camera cuts to the laptop but it’s blurred in post due to nudity.

### Act 1:

The students are hanging out in the slounge waiting for small group to start. All of them are a little nervous of the exam they are about to perform. Levi comes in looking visibly upset and Rahul asks what’s wrong. Levi explains that things are great with his boyfriend but recently he’s been upset because he found out I haven’t told my parents and wants me to when they come for parents visiting day. The group says not to worry about it. Isabelle says she’s also not looking forward to parents visiting day because Josh is coming and her parents love him. The group talk about how so many relationships have fallen apart in the beginning of medical school. There’s a break montage of the ‘symphony of breakups’ that have happened since med schools started which includes divorces, cheating, breaking engagements etc. This continues until Clio comes in and asks what’s everyone studying for. They are all like we have the GU/DRE exam today and she’s slightly shocked. Cut to a talking head of Clio who says she hasn’t read a single packet but has breezed through as she’s followed everyone else (show B-roll of this). Cut back to the group showing her the videos awkwardly so no one can see, while at the same time motioning some of the maneuvers. Damien looks like he’s going to throw up.

The students are sitting in small group and Dr. Bly says before they start they are going to handout evaluations so far based on their performance interacting with standardized patients. Everyone’s is as expected; however Isabelle is surprised to find that she has been performing well below the class mean and the Dr. Bly is encouraging her to meet with them for extra help. Damien’s evaluations say that he needs to build better rapport with the practice patients. Rahul is average, which is surprising because he’s been doing poor academically. As they’re reading their comments, Dr. Cooper runs into the small group room dressed as “Fantastic Fingers man”, wearing a giant glove costume. He says he was planning on using the costume for a demonstration but that Dr. Bly refused to wear the costume. Luckily, he planned for this and plays the group a short music video that he recorded with an original song called “Urology Feat. D.R.E” in which he describes the indications for and general procedure of the digital rectal exam. He can’t get the video work so instead brings plastic models in for the group to learn from and during this they discuss appropriate language to use with the patients (i.e. bed vs. table, feel up vs. examine). Damien is wearing a stethoscope, and someone asks jokingly if he’s going to auscultate the penis and replies in a serious manner saying “I don’t know the technique can you teach me?”.

They are all slightly nervous and walk down into the rooms, where they are separated into pairs; Isabelle and Rahul, Eve and Damien, Clio and Levi, Micah and Jason, and Sam paired with Nancy. Eve and Isabelle walk into the room and the guy sitting on the table jumps up and



says hello, lifting his arms up in the air and at the same time lifting his shirt revealing he's wearing nothing else.

## Act 2:

We open up with a talking head of Rahul who says he did not expect med school to be like this... especially this, pointing to the background where our naked man is casually talking to Isabelle pointing at different anatomical points on his body...

Damien and Eve aren't having the greatest time as well with their patient. Contrast to Rahul/Isabelle's patient, this patient is amazing, nice and supportive however Damien, just receiving his negative feedback, tries to get more comfortable by asking personal questions even though it's not the place for it, and makes it awkward.

Sam is not having a better experience, with Nancy hogging the conversation talking about her time in Africa and how the men in her village were really open about GU examinations and it wasn't a big deal. She's been taking up so much time they haven't even gotten to the exam portion yet.

Clio and Levi are having a relatively normal time except Levi is still down about his boyfriend. Clio and him discuss it more and Levi talks more about his past and how he never was really open and only coming here he's more open to dating and wants to tell his parents but feels like they won't understand. Clio asks if he'll ever tell his parents and he says he doesn't know. Clio talks about her 3 month cycle she's built in and is probably going to end her currently relationship as it's nearing the 3 months.

Back in Rahul and Isabelle's room, they are performing the initial part of the exam but before they move onto the second portion of the exam, the patient says he'd like to get to better know them and tells them to share something they've never said out loud. He says he'll go first and shares that he was a medical student once but dropped out, which shocks Isabelle and Rahul. Isabelle goes next and says that she doesn't really want to be with Josh anymore and then Rahul feels pressured to say something intense so he blurts out that doesn't know if med school is for him.

Back in Damien's room it's just Eve learning more from her patient about unique problems. The patient also asks Eve if she could check out this rash she has. The camera goes out into the hallway to find Damien sitting on the ground breathing heavily as it appears slightly too much for him. Heather comes out of nowhere, sits down and comforts him.

We cut to Rahul and Isabelle who are now doing the D.R.E but they're more shocked of each other's revelation. Rahul asks why Isabelle's relationship isn't going well and she says it's just med school and hearing all these relationships fall apart make it seem like it's not her. It's also so hard for her boyfriend to understand what she's going through. She also retorts back saying that Rahul seems to be having a blast, why would he want to leave. Rahul says he is having fun and that he loves the people, it's just that he's just struggling academically. After failing the first exam he's tried new study methods every week but each one leaves him scraping by. Isabelle says that's fair but doesn't confide in him that she's also been struggling. During this whole time they almost forget that one of their fingers is the patients butt and he's like I think you felt my prostate enough and can go switch. Before they go the patient hands Rahul his business card and says if he ever drops out of med school to contact him.



**Act 3:**

The following day the students are sitting in small group debriefing how the session went. Initially the group discusses how awkward it was, Damien confesses that there are some things he cannot prepare for by watching videos and reading up on. Eventually they come around to talk about somehow it was a very safe and open environment and they freely talked about things they would never share. This is first started by Levi who talks about his relationship, followed by Isabelle, Eve and Rahul. Dr. Cooper and Dr. Bly take the time to discuss their own paths through medicine and how it wasn't easy with relationships.

**Tag:**

Dr. Cooper finally got his music video to work and shows the camera crew his hard work.

## Episode 9

### Cold Open

The camera crew goes into the houses of Levi, Rahul, and Isabelle's parent's houses. You see them getting ready and packing for parent's weekend and also see what kinds of houses/neighborhoods they live in. Isabelle's parents live in the same city and her boyfriend Josh is in town so he joins them. Levi's parents take a plane from LA. Rahul's mom and brother pack up the car for a 3-hour car ride to the school.

### Act 1

The school is preparing for parents visiting weekend which means administration is going crazy making everything look super pristine and beautiful. While the students are hanging out in the slounge, they are sent an email about what to wear, where to take their parents to eat, even sample sentences of things to say to their parents.

The first event is a welcome picnic in the courtyard, opened by a big fancy speech from Dean Brown, who goes over everything that has happened during the first semester. Dean Brown's speech however, is a very tainted perspective of the students' journey in medical school thus far and is also accompanied by embarrassing pictures of the students; some of which leave students wondering how/when Dean Brown took those pictures.

At the welcome picnic Rahul leaves his mom and brother and comes over to say hi to his friends and accidentally says something to Levi in front of his parents about his boyfriend. Levi's parents are super friendly and outgoing and fun/the life of the party but when they hear Rahul make a comment they kind of freeze. Levi shoots him a look and quickly shoos Rahul away, explaining that him and his parents need to leave. Rahul soon remembers after that Levi is NOT out to his parents and freaks out, trying to plan a way to make things right. Levi's parents are annoyed with Rahul's comments and angry at the insinuation that their son might be gay, which is something they already were worried about, but are quickly calmed when Levi tells them it's nothing and that Rahul is always trying to cause trouble. Levi's parents make a casually/"harmless" homophobic and/or racist comment like; they see a flamboyant guy and the dad says: "looks like he's done one too many prostate exams" and then they say: "We love gay people, we just don't want any of our children to grow up gay". They believe what they want to believe. Meanwhile, at the picnic, Damien and his mom, who are wearing matching shirts, are eating along at a table. Heather comes over and introduces herself before rushing away to complete the rest of her duties. Even in that brief moment, it is clear that Heather and Damien's mom have identical personalities. Isabelle is present with her parents but her parents are busy chatting with all the faculty leaving her to eat with friends and friends' parents.

Levi has finally decided that maybe this is a good opportunity to actually come out to his parents. He's been thinking about this for a while. Additionally, his boyfriend has been pressuring him to come out to his parents so he decides that at some point this weekend, he will bring up to his parents that he is gay and tells his boyfriend over the phone that he plans to do this.





## Act 2

The second part of parents day includes students demonstrating the physical exam on their parents before the real exam. Rahul and Eve, along with their parents, are paired together for the physical exam portion. Here we meet Rahul and Eve parents. Only Rahul's mother and brother were able to make it because his dad had to work. His mother is really sweet, a little on the quieter side but definitely has a joking/humorous streak. His brother, Raj, is the brother who works at a local theatre as an actor and is rocking a new hairstyle (a straight up afro) who gets REALLY into playing the part of a patient. Eve's parents are present and are both very friendly and love to talk about travel and anything. In fact, their best friends back in Austin are Indian. Eve's dad asks Rahul if he could take a look at this rash he's been getting. While they are doing the physical exam on their parents, Rahul confides in Eve about what happened earlier and together they concoct a plan to correct Rahul's earlier mistake. Since their parents are in the room, they try to speak half in code (really bad code that doesn't really make sense i.e. the bird has left the nest... the bird's parents think that the bird is seeing a pigeon instead of a bluebird... we need to make sure the bird's parents do not know about pigeon droppings...) so that their parents don't really know what's going on. We also get a glimpse of how easy Rahul and Eve's families get along, giving another reason why they should date.

In the room over, Levi and his parents are performing the physical exam. They are in the same room as Sam who has brought his wife and kids in and does the physical exam on them. This is the time to show how truly amazing Levi's parents are and how close Levi and his parents really are. They have so many inside jokes, know a lot of details about each others. It's revealed that Levi calls his mom everyday at 9PM and is an older brother that has one younger brother. During the summer before Levi started med school, him and his parents watched a movie together in the living room every single day. Levi's parents are so great they are even able to make Sam laugh and easily charm his wife and twin girls.

In other rooms... Isabelle and her parents AND grandparents get their own room because they have so many people and run into trouble because they end up arguing over the best exam techniques with each other and don't really pay attention to her. Damien and his mom are in their own private exam room taking the physical exam extremely seriously. Damien's mom starts to ask him if there are any smart girls at the med school that he's been talking to... Damien gets a little flustered and ends up accidentally poking his mom with a pin during the sensation test.

*Other funny things that can happen during the physical exam portion - one of the dads pretends to have a heart attack, draping mishaps, doctor-parents trying to take over for their kids, parents thinking that their kids can actually diagnose them with stuff, parents telling their kids way too much info about their sexual history that they don't want to know*

Following the physical exam, students take their parents on tours of the medical school but Damien and his mom go to the office first to get a Band-Aid. Heather walks in and starts to chat with them. It is clear that Heather knows a LOT about Damien's life. Additionally, Heather and Damien's mom have really similar mannerisms which is just weird.

Levi continues to work up the courage to tell his parents but can't. Additionally, all this "signs" (like some actual literal signs) keep showing up that point to the fact that he shouldn't tell them - posters from OUTMD that his parents scoff at, one of his friends from OUTMD tries



to talk to him and he quickly has to steer them away, another poster says “your relationship with your family determines health outcomes”, a pride flag is on the wall and his parents scoff at it. Levi says that he wants to tell them something important at Dinner.

Rahul shows his mother and brother around the school and his brother continues to talk about his newfound desire to become an SP. Sam and his family are at the cafeteria in the children’s hospital getting a snack.

We cut to later in the evening where everyone is at a fancy dinner but Rahul, Eve and Clio are standing just outside. Rahul asks Clio if she’s okay with doing this as she was the only person whose parents weren’t here. Clio says don’t worry about it and that moment they see Levi with his parents walk in the room. Just as Levi is about to bring up the conversation about him being gay, Clio walks over super dressed up and gives him a big kiss. Rahul and Eve go to their own table with their parents and watch on giving a thumbs up. Levi’s parents are surprised and assume he has been hiding a girlfriend from them. Levi is shocked because he did not know Rahul had this plan and doesn’t know what to do. He signals to Rahul who sees Levi’s boyfriend waiting in the corner and puts two and two together to realize his mistake. Levi excuses himself from dinner to go over to his boyfriend to try to explain what just happened but he doesn’t have any of it. He gives the ultimatum that he has to tell them right now or else but Levi doesn’t do anything so his boyfriend says it’s over and walks away.

Meanwhile Isabelle’s dinner hasn’t been the best either. She quietly eats her food as Josh and her family laugh and tell stories but occasionally looks over at Eve and Rahul who seem to be having a great time with their families and for the first time audiences realize that Isabelle likes Rahul, which is one of the reasons she wants to break up with Josh. Isabelle walks over to their table but the cameras stay on Josh who reveals he’s going to propose tonight after the dinner. Isabelle’s parents are so excited and give their blessing.

In the last scene, Levi and his parents are sitting in his apartment (they’re staying with him rather than a hotel like other student parents). He starts the conversation with his parents of coming out. It doesn’t go well. They’re confused about how he could be gay when they just met his “girlfriend.” Levi tries to understand what Rahul did and they make some racist comment about Rahul which makes the whole situation worse. His parents are crying/upset and leave for the airport on a negative note.

At the same time Isabelle and Josh are walking in a pretty part of town. The audience can tell the Josh is holding a ring box and at the perfect moment tells Isabelle he has something important to say. Isabelle says she does as well, they both trade back saying you go first and eventually Isabelle wins so Josh goes first and goes down on one knee. When Isabelle realizes what’s happening she blurts out that she wants to go on a break.

### Act 3

Levi is sitting in his apartment extremely depressed when the doorbell rings 30 min later. The audience thinks its parents returning or even his bf coming to apologize. Levi opens his door and an organic soil-less potted plant (SUCCULENT- they also require less water) is on his welcome mat (Levi hates flowers because it means they die). Rahul is standing next to them and offers them as an apology. Rahul comes in and Levi explains to him what happened (camera is zooming back so we can’t hear what they’re saying). Rahul apologizes for not



knowing his friend well enough to know he wasn't out to his parents. They are sad/cry but at least it's together ... aww nice ending about male friendship.

We cut to the library where Damien ends a conversation on the phone with his mom who's just about to take off, when he catches Heather leaving her office. She asks him where his mom is and he looks down and says she's already left, steps forward and kisses her, shocking himself and her but she leans into it as well.

**Tag**

Sam's daughters pretending to give their own fake tour of the hospital/adorably explaining what they believe happens in each room

## Episode 10

### Cold Open

Starts off with Micah packing his stuff from the basement, with Rahul assisting. Cuts to a Micah talking head saying that some of the alumni parents after seeing the state of the basement/that there is no gym they immediately donated money to the school and they're starting construction right away (this is overlaid with B-roll of alumni giving a check, ribbon cutting with Micah in the background). Micah says he tried to protest and had the gang help out but it was to no avail. We start hearing construction sounds in the background and Micah runs off to finish packing up.

### Act 1

Micah, Eve Isabelle, Rahul and Clio are sitting in the student lounge with Rahul and Isabelle sitting close to each other, waiting to go to doctoring and chatting about how Micah lived in the basement. Rahul is texting a groupchat with his undergrad buddies who he's going to meet up with later. Clio - "I can't believe you lived in the basement for almost a whole semester" Isabelle - "Rahul I can't believe you didn't tell us". This continues for a little, Rahul apologizes again to Levi for creating so many problems during parents day and Clio asks Isabelle how she's doing after she broke up with Josh. Isabelle can explain that he didn't take it well (with B-roll footage) but she's better and it's been a long time coming. Clio gets a text and leans in and tells them she heard that Jason just dropped. They're shocked and start talking over each other – how'd you find out, he was so nice, he was happy, why would he do that. After a short calamity Rahul refuses to fully believe it and states he's going to go ask Dr. Cooper/Dr. Bly in small group to confirm.

Cut to doctoring small group, where Dr. Cooper confirms the rumors right away in an overly dramatic fashion and continues to offer assistance to anyone who needs it. Dr. Bly cuts in and brings everyone back to reality saying that they're going to practice a full physical exam of what they've been learning so far. Cut to a Rahul talking head who explains the physical exam and what they've learned so far. This is underlaid with B-roll of awkward cardiac and pulmonary physical exams (wig, holding breast, etc.). Rahul ends the talking head by mentioning his disbelief in Jason dropping out but also hint that he's thinking about it as well but masks it by smiling and stating he wants to be here. We cut back to the doctoring small group where students are paired up practicing; Eve and Rahul, Isabelle and Clio, Damien and Levi, Micah and Sam. Focus in on Isabelle who has now become close with Clio and talk about the basement briefly before switching to Isabelle's new single life. Continue into conversation between pairs before Dr. Cooper cutting them off saying they they're going to call one pair at a time for the exam while the rest of the group can stay here to practice. Rahul and Eve are called first.

### Act 2

Open up to a hallway with clinical rooms on either side. Cut into a clinical room where Eve and Rahul are getting ready for the exam with Dr. Cooper watching. Eve goes first and does it flawlessly and Rahul is next.

We switch back to upstairs where the group is not really practicing but gossiping about Jason. Isabelle claims that she could've guessed it and that he just didn't have what it took. Cut



to Isabelle talking head which shows the exact opposite and how she was struggling too but doesn't want to say anything because everyone else seems to be doing fine. Damien is trying to practice when Heather walks by and waves with a big smile before going away. Clio jokes about Damien and Heather, and Damien blushes with Clio's sharp eye catches. Cut to a talking head of Clio saying that she's noticed odd things with Damien and Heather (fill with B-roll of Heather and Damien). Cut back to the room where Clio incredulously ask Damien if something happened with Heather and he says yes and they are all shocked and going crazy. The group continues to discuss Damien when Levi notices that Sam is gone. They all look around but no one knows where.

Cut to a shot where Sam is in the corner talking on the phone. The camera zooms and right as he affirms the other person on the line by whispering cryptic stuff.

We cut back to Rahul who's in the middle of the physical exam but it's not going so well as he forgets a couple moves and when Dr. Bly asks him why he's doing certain moves he doesn't know. This continues for a little before he just becomes really frustrated after missing three things in a row. Eve tries to reach out but asking what's wrong but then he really blows up and rambles about Jason, and how for the past semester he's been struggling and maybe he should just drop out as well. Both Dr. Cooper and Dr. Bly along with Eve and the standardized patient are just awkwardly sitting there the entire time. Eve tries to reach out as she's never seen Rahul mad, let alone be frustrated at all. Rahul rejects this and just leaves the physical exam saying he can't do it. Rahul runs into Isabelle and Clio who are next and just brushes them aside. Cut to Rahul who's on a computer in the computer lab typing up an email and as he's finishing it he gets a call from one of his friends asking where he's at as they were supposed to meet. He completely forgot but says he has study, pauses, but then says actually I'll be there soon.

Open up to Rahul and a group of his undergrad friends who are hanging out at their typical bar. They're laughing and reminiscing about college. One friend turns to him to ask about med school and it feels like they haven't talked so long. Another friend chimes in and asks jokingly has he even talked to a non-med person since he started. They rip on him for a little before Rahul honestly answers stating that med school hasn't been that easy. Cut to a talking head of Rahul who's sitting there realizing that he hasn't talked to a single non-med person since he started. He smiles and says it's been good to get away from the med bubble. Cut back to Rahul and his friends where Rahul says thanks and has to run talk to the Dean about something. Rahul springs back to the Dean's office who is surprisingly still there late at night working.

We cut back to Rahul's friends who are still sitting there and Eve shows up. She asks them if they know Rahul cause he was supposed to be at this place hanging out with his friends. Eve says that she was worried about him and wanted to tell him something. Rahul's friends say they've heard of her before as Rahul mentioned her and tell her that he went to the Dean's office to discuss something. Cut to a talking head with Eve blushing saying that she wanted to tell Rahul that someone cares about him and she knows med school is hard but it's nice to have someone to talk to about it.



**Act 3**

Rahul and Dean Brown are sitting in her office discussing the email Rahul sent, which to his relief she hasn't read yet but is now curious to know the contents. Rahul explains that his email was stating that he was going to drop out but he doesn't want to anymore because he finally feels like he knows why he's in med school; it's the people, it's been the people all along. He exits the door and is surprised to find someone standing there and asks what she's doing there. The camera cuts to reveal Isabelle who was thinking of dropping out but overheard Rahul's conversation in with Dean Brown. She doesn't say anything but leans into to kiss him which Rahul accepts.

**Tag**

The main characters practicing their history and physical exam skills at different stages, which is really awkward.