Class Oath 2014

I swear to myself and before all those present to uphold this oath:

I recognize that I am but one part of the healthcare team. I will acknowledge and value the talents of each member of the healthcare team and appreciate that each member has a unique and important skill set. I promise to collaborate enthusiastically with other healthcare professionals for the improvement of patient care.

I will further the field of medicine by teaching, mentoring, and guiding those who seek to learn and will do so with humility, passion, and joyfulness.

I vow to serve as a leader and advocate within my community, to continuously improve access to quality care both locally and around the globe, and promote health, well-being, and compassion.

I recognize that medicine is a dynamic and ever-changing field. I will commit to life-long learning and will continually strive to improve my clinical skills and knowledge base. I will practice evidence-based medicine and will grow as a clinician each day.

I will maintain the ideals which attracted me to a career as a physician. I will continuously work to overcome bias and cynicism in myself and others. I pledge to conduct myself, both publicly and privately, in a manner befitting this noble profession.

I recognize that to help my patients improve their health, I must maintain my own physical, emotional, and spiritual health. I will treat myself with the same compassion, kindness, and dignity that I give to my patients. Mistakes are inevitable; I will forgive myself for those I make, learn from them, and strive to avoid them in the future.

If I keep this oath faithfully, may I lead a fulfilling life and enjoy the privilege of practicing medicine.