

Once again, Miami Dade College's (MDC) physician assistant (PA) students recently won the coveted Florida Academy of Physician Assistants Challenge Bowl. This is the 7th state win for MDC.

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MDC competed with two teams of three students each, including **Andrew Grossman, Jaime Chavez, Ginna Lora Ortega, Shirene Tabarestani, Ernesto Martell Polo, and Antonio Canero**. As in years past, they were coached by **Dr. Nicolas Massimini**, chair of the Student Progress Committee at the Medical Campus and also a graduate of MDC's renowned PA program. Dr. Massimini has coached MDC's challenge bowl teams for over a decade.

MDC heads to the next round of competition where it has vanquished many teams in the past representing top institutions across the country, such as Duke University, Emory University, and the University of Florida, among others. The team will compete for its **third national title on May 24, at the AAPA Virtual National Medical Challenge Bowl**.

"We are extremely proud to once again win this prestigious state competition and we are looking forward to participating at the National Challenge later this month" said **Medical Campus President Dr. Bryan Stewart**. "Competing in these events, which is totally voluntary, requires a great deal of dedication with students having to devote many hours to discussing subjects and presentations, in addition to their demanding curriculum."

MDC's Physician Assistant program offers Associate in Science and Bachelor of Applied Science degrees, as well as an opportunity to complete a bachelor's and master's degree simultaneously.

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