

## Alumni Bio: Monica Hahn

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Monica is a Bay Area native and completed undergrad at UC Berkeley with a major in Molecular and Cell Biology and a minor in Ethnic Studies. She stayed at UC Berkeley for her MPH in Maternal and Child Health with an emphasis on global health. Before medical school, she worked for several years with at-risk youth in Oakland as a sex educator and community health advocate at Asian Health Services Youth Program. While completing her MD/MS at UCSF, she was thrilled to be a part of the first PRIME-US class, which strengthened her passion for advocating for underserved communities and pursuing research in social determinants of health. Throughout medical school and public health school, she has been involved in community-based participatory research projects to engage communities in promoting health equity and social justice. She has also worked on HIV prevention and adolescent sexual health projects here and abroad, including in South Africa and the Dominican Republic. Monica is currently in her final year of residency at the UCSF/San Francisco General Hospital Family and Community Medicine Residency Program, participating in the HIV Primary Care pathway program. She is interested in HIV prevention and HIV primary care, adolescent health, sexual health and family planning, immigrant health, and reproductive justice. For fun, she volunteers at St. James Infirmary, a clinic run by and for sex workers, and writes a sexual health column for Hyphen Magazine with fellow PRIME alum, Dharushana Muthulingum. When

she's not working, you can find Monica training capoeira, enjoying Afro-Brazilian and Afro-Haitian dance, playing drums in her Brazilian percussion band, and traveling in search of the world's best street food with her husband.

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