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October 9, 2017

Depart the Miami International Airport, U.S. for Jose Marti International Airport, Havana, Cuba. Upon arrival, transfer to the hotel, stopping at El Morro Castle for a panoramic view of Havana. Check in to the Meliá Cohiba, and gather for an informational briefing and introduction, followed by a welcome dinner in Old Havana a *paladar*, or privately owned restaurant. *(Dinner)*

October 10, 2017

Begin the morning with a meeting at the Cuban Ministry of Health. Learn about the history of the Cuban health care system with a special focus on clinical laboratory science. Following lunch at Casa de la Amistad, meet with a representative of the North American Division of the Cuban Institute for Friendship with the People. Dinner tonight will be at a local restaurant. *(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)*

October 11, 2017

This morning, visit the Center for Control/Oversight of Medical Equipment, Instruments, Devices and Medications (CEMED) to learn about current instrumentation in Cuba and the challenge in obtaining new equipment. Following lunch as a group, meet with officials from the Pan American Health Organization (PAHO) to discuss public health issues in Cuba, specifically related to laboratory medicine. Dinner tonight will be at a local restaurant. *(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)*

October 12, 2017

After breakfast, meet with leadership from the Cuba Society of Clinical Pathology (SCPC) to continue the discussion on laboratory equipment and sourcing. Discuss resource shortages in Cuba and how it affects clinical labs in the country. After lunch, visit a community-based Policlínico and Family Doctor/Nurse clinics. Learn about the role of community doctors and nurses in dealing with trauma in Cuba. Dinner will be at leisure. *(Breakfast, Lunch)*

October 13, 2017

This morning, visit a hospital to learn about laboratory medicine in the secondary care level. Enjoy lunch before visiting the University of Havana Medical School. There, meet with students and professors to discuss education of training of clinical specialists. This evening, gather for a farewell dinner, followed by a special musical performance. *(Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner)*

October 14, 2017

Transfer from Jose Marti International Airport, Havana, Cuba to Miami International Airport. *(Breakfast)*

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Accommodation:



Meliá Cohiba Hotel, Havana, Cuba

The 22-story Meliá Cohiba is located in the modern Vedado district of Havana and faces the Havana coastline with its renowned Malecón ocean drive. Just a 10-minute cab ride from Old Havana, the hotel has comfortable rooms, a spacious and elegant lobby with fountains, classical furnishings, and panoramic windows. A wireless Internet connection is available in the lobby, and several restaurants, bars, and cafes are nearby.

Delegation Prices:

Price based on double occupancy: \$4,995

Single Supplement: \$1,650

Deposit of \$500 per person, per program, payable by check or by major credit card is required to reserve a space on the program. Deposits are applied to payment of the program price. This cost includes round-trip international air arrangements between Miami and Havana, group transportation in Havana, a Cuban visa, Cuban medical insurance, meeting planning, accommodations in double-occupancy rooms, most meals, and essentially all other costs associated with participation.

For more information regarding this delegation please contact **877.298.9677** or visit www.professionalsabroad.org to reserve your spot today!

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