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**Great Minds in STEM™ Leads STEM Teachers Summer Workshop**  
*Integrating STEM and Medicine into Lesson Plans*

Monterey Park, CA, June 23, 2014 - Great Minds in STEM™, in partnership with California State University, Los Angeles (CSULA), United States Patent & Trademark Office (USPTO), Keck Medicine of USC and the California Science Center will lead the first of two cohorts, beginning on June 23, 2014 at CSULA, where participating educators will tour the campus and take part in project-based learning sessions as part of the STEM Teachers Summer Workshop.

Now in its sixth year, the workshop provides educators with STEM resources through a variety of collaborative activities, dialogues and other interactions during the summer weeklong series. The summer STEM practicum for educators will have the mission of building capacity in technology and engineering medical and medicine education. This collaboration intends to improve the understanding of the learning and teaching of elementary, middle and high school students and teacher as they gain knowledge and apply engineering design processes to technological problems and best practices. This series is designed for educators interested in integrating STEM and medicine into their lesson plans for the 2014-2015 academic year.

At the end of this workshop educators will have developed a portfolio of project -based learning activities that can be integrated into their lesson plans and will have each designed STEM lesson plans that outline step by step activities for their classes to be showcased in the 2014-2015 academic year. Through the workshop they will connect with medical professionals, scientists and engineers from various entities where information and current resources will be shared.

**About Great Minds in STEM™**

Great Minds in STEM™ is a national 501(c)3 nonprofit organization based in Los Angeles County. GMiS is proud to celebrate 26 years of keeping America technologically strong through the delivery of national science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) awareness programs for students, parents and teachers in underserved communities; providing opportunities for the academic and career development of underrepresented students and professionals in STEM; and honoring the excellent contributions of our nation's Hispanic engineers and scientists. With a national presence through its education programs as well as its college and professional offerings, the organization is working to ensure that the U.S. maintains its status as the world's technology leader. For more information, please contact Julie Magallanes-Guevara, Manager of Public Affairs at (213) 435-9934 or (323) 262-0997 ext. 628 and visit the Great Minds in STEM™ website at [www.greatmindsinstem.org](http://www.greatmindsinstem.org).

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