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UM DANCE MARATHON PRESENTS *WHAT WE STAND FOR: AN EDUCATION EVENT*

On Sunday, November 16 from 1-3 pm, University of Michigan's Dance Marathon will present What We Stand For: An Education Event, an informational session intended to present different perspectives surrounding disabilities. The event, held in the Pendleton Room at the Michigan Union will feature several guest speakers, including parents of children with disabilities and Beaumont Hospital doctors, as well as simulation activities that will better educate members and supporters of the organization about the disabilities that UMDM provides therapies for.

University of Michigan Dance Marathon raises money each year for physical therapy programs at both Mott's Children's Hospital in Ann Arbor as well as Beaumont Hospital in Royal Oak. These are rehabilitation programs are not covered by health insurance, and without the UMDM fundraising efforts, these programs would not exist.

The University of Michigan Dance Marathon group is the largest student run 501c 3 non-profit organization in the Midwest. The group runs a yearlong fundraising effort that culminates with a two-day dance marathon in March. This year the event will be held on March 21st and 22nd.

Admission for the event is free. If you would like to be a part of the program through a donation of time, money, media stories or ways to raise money, please contact Kathleen Olson or Liz Horvat at umdm.fhr@umich.edu. For more information regarding UMDM, please visit umdm.org.