



CT AHEC FYI

Connecticut Area Health Education Center Network

Connecting students to careers, professionals to communities and communities to better health.



Supporting Primary Care Workforce Development in Connecticut By:

- ▶ Promoting Strong Community/Academic Partnerships
- ▶ Creating Pipeline Programs for Pre-Health Professions Students
- ▶ Supporting Health Careers Awareness Programming
- ▶ Providing Community-Based Training for Health Professions Students

AmeriCorps in CT: Feeding the Health Workforce Pipeline



AmeriCorps engages more than 75,000 Americans each year throughout the country, providing pathways to opportunity for young people entering the workforce. Through intensive service positions, AmeriCorps members provide valuable activities to the communities they serve

► Supporting Community-Based Health Education and Screenings

► Promoting Strategies to Address Health Disparities

CT AHEC Network Regional Centers:

Central AHEC, Inc.
(Hartford area)

www.centraltahec.org

Eastern AHEC, Inc. (Willimantic-New London area)

www.easternctahec.org

Health360, Inc. (Waterbury area)

www.health360.org

Southwestern AHEC, Inc.
(Stamford-Bridgeport-New Haven area)

www.swctahec.org

while learning valuable work skills and earning money for education. The CT AHEC Network has hosted 70 AmeriCorps members resulting in 130,000+ hours of service.

Currently launching its seventh year of service, the CT AHEC Network AmeriCorps program provides valuable hands-on experience to young adults through exposure to a vast array of health professions and health-care settings. AmeriCorps members lead students in the Youth Health Service Corps and Collegiate Health Service Corps as they implement service learning projects that address pressing community health issues.

Post service, a large majority of CT AHEC Network AmeriCorps alumni has continued into health professions schools and health careers. In the words of a 2014 alumna: "[The CT AHEC AmeriCorps program] reinforced my desire to go into a health career and helped me decide that I want to eventually work with medically underserved populations. I am currently enrolled in an accelerated BSN/MSN program. At the end of the program I will be a licensed Nurse Practitioner."

The statewide CT AHEC Network, based at UConn Health, is implemented through four regional centers which enable CT AHEC to provide high-quality, efficient, effective and flexible services that meet local needs. Thank you for your continued support of the Connecticut AHEC Network.

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