



CT AHEC FYI

Connecticut Area Health Education Center Network

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



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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
- ▶ Supporting Community-Based Health Education and Screenings
- ▶ Promoting Strategies to Address Health Disparities

CT AHEC Network Regional Centers:

Central AHEC, Inc.
(Hartford area)

CT AHEC Supports Rural Training Initiatives

The CT AHEC Network directly supports primary care workforce development in Connecticut by providing unique and essential interprofessional training in both urban and rural communities.

One such training is the 12-day interprofessional Rural Immersion Program implemented by Health360 (formerly Northwestern AHEC) and its partners in greater Litchfield County. Health professions students discover the challenges and opportunities unique to providing health care in a rural environment, with the long-term goal of recruiting them into Connecticut's rural health care workforce. This primary care clinical training

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

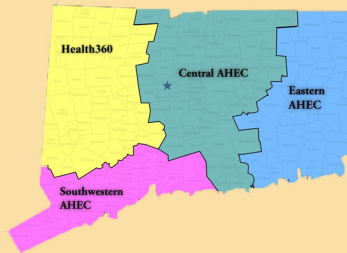
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Health360, Inc. (Waterbury area)

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emphasizes geriatric, emergency, rehabilitative, and home health care, as well as migrant health.

Medical, physician assistant and dental students are recruited from schools in the region including UConn, Quinnipiac University and Touro College. A 2017 participant described the Rural Immersion Program as “one of the best, if not the best, program to help you understand the needs of rural communities of Connecticut... and learn more about how medicine is practiced in these communities.”

Health360’s partners in this endeavor include Sharon Hospital, Geer Village, Hudson River Health Care, North Canaan Volunteer Ambulance Corps, Mountainside Treatment Center, Indian Mountain School, the Foundation for Community Health, and Northwestern Connecticut Community College.

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

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