

AREA HEALTH EDUCATION CENTERS

The Oregon Area Health Education Centers program (AHEC) is a partnership between OHSU and Oregon communities. AHEC's mission is to improve the education, training and distribution of health care professionals in Oregon. Five regional AHEC centers statewide work with local health care facilities and providers, community leaders, schools and the public to identify and meet local needs. AHEC provides K-12 programs for students interested in health careers.

OREGON AHEC PROGRAM OFFICE AT OHSU

Contact: 503 494-4896, www.ohsu.edu/ahec/

MedStars – a residential summer experience at OHSU, this program exposes rural and underserved high school students to careers in health care. Participants must be entering their senior year of high school or their freshman year of college, and they must have a demonstrated prior interest in a health career. Applications, scholarships and other information can be obtained from your regional AHEC.

NORTHEAST OREGON AHEC AT EOU IN LA GRANDE, OREGON

Serving Baker, Gilliam, Grant, Hood River, northern Malheur, Morrow, Sherman, Union, Umatilla, Wallowa, Wasco, and Wheeler counties

Contact: 541 962-3801, www.eou.edu/neahec/

MedQuest – a five-day residential camp at Eastern Oregon University. High school students throughout Oregon are eligible to attend career, education and shadowing experiences in cooperation with 90 health professionals and Grande Ronde Hospital. Priority will be given to students from the Northeast Oregon AHEC service area but there are usually slots open for other students.

Girls in Science – a daylong opportunity for Northeast Oregon sixth through eighth grade girls to explore science, math and technology through hands-on activities.

Great Inventors – this five-day workshop provides specific hands-on and inquiry based science education for elementary school science teachers in Northeast Oregon AHEC's twelve-county region.

GroMed – a multicultural youth for health program at Hermiston High School and Nixyaawii Community School.

Field Guide to Health Careers – a downloadable web document for use in the classroom.

CASCADES EAST AHEC AT SCMC IN BEND, OREGON

Serving Crook, Deschutes, Harney, Jefferson, Lake, Klamath and southern Malheur counties, and the Warm Springs Community in Wasco County.

Contact: 541 671-2607, www.cascadeseast.org/

Health services CAM – health occupation orientation and job-shadows.

Health Career Planning – for high school students.

Summer Health Careers Camp – programs for high school students.

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OREGON PACIFIC AHEC AT SAMARITAN NORTH LINCOLN HOSPITAL IN LINCOLN CITY, OREGON

Serving Benton, Clatsop, Columbia, Lincoln, Linn, Marion, Polk, Tillamook and Yamhill counties

Contact: 541 557-6460, www.opahec.org/

OP AHEC Health Careers Manual – located at www.oregonhealthcareers.org/, features 94 health care professions.

Hispanic Scholarship Database – located at www.oregonhealthcareers.org/scholarships.phtml, provides information on nearly 100 scholarships.

Multicultural Youth for Health (MY Health) Program – a health careers exploratory college prep program for underrepresented minorities and/or rural students at high schools in Toledo and Willamina.

Health Career Presentations – information on hospital health careers and the growing demand in Oregon; this presentation can be tailored for students or adults.

Health Careers Resource Guide – “Oregon Education Opportunities in Health Careers Fifth Edition 2005-2007” provides information in English and Spanish on 71 careers, salary information, and college and university programs.

AHEC OF SOUTHWEST OREGON IN WINSTON, OREGON

Serving Coos, Curry, Douglas, Jackson, Josephine and Lane counties

Contact: 541 784-3660, www.healthyoregon.com

Club M.E.D. – a youth focused health careers program including a Discovery Journal and curriculum.

Health Career Academies – one week academies presented in Jackson County for youth interested in health careers.

Women in Science – a daylong program on the coast presented specifically for female youth to become more aware of health careers.

Medical Interpreter Program – a program to train health care professionals and students to become medical interpreters in our clinics and hospitals.

Bioterrorism and Health Care Preparedness – a program to prepare our region for emergent issues.



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