



# SUPPORTING CLINICAL CAREER PATHWAYS WEBINAR SERIES

*Webinar series collaborators*



## *Session 2 objectives*

- INCREASE KNOWLEDGE OF WISCONSIN AHEC'S PRE-HEALTH PROGRAMS
- IDENTIFY STRATEGIES TO SUPPORT EMPLOYEE RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

# Welcome!

*Thank you for joining us.*

## DISCUSSION AND INSIGHTS



### WISCONSIN AHEC'S PRE-HEALTH PROGRAMS

Learn about Wisconsin AHEC's community-based programs that engage pre-health learners and how your organization can get involved



### CLINIC SPOTLIGHT

Hear how HealthNet of Rock County and Southwest Health leverage Wisconsin AHEC and their own programs to engage with pre-health learners and support their clinic's recruitment and retention efforts



### OPEN Q&A

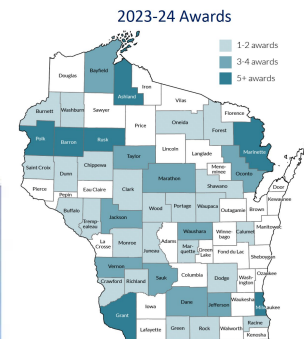
Ask questions of our Wisconsin AHEC Program leaders and our healthcare representatives

Today's webinar will be recorded. A link to the recording will be shared with all registrants.

# Health Career Pathway



Today: Share opportunities to and examples how to cultivate pre-health profession learners as a strategy to support employee recruitment and engagement





# WISCONSIN AHEC

Area Health Education Centers

<https://ahec.wisc.edu>

## 2023-24 Health Workforce Program Impact

*Since 1991, Wisconsin AHEC works to advance health equity in our rural and underserved communities through education and training opportunities that aim to increase the diversity, distribution, and development of our healthcare workforce.*

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Regional  
AHEC  
Centers



6,500+  
learners



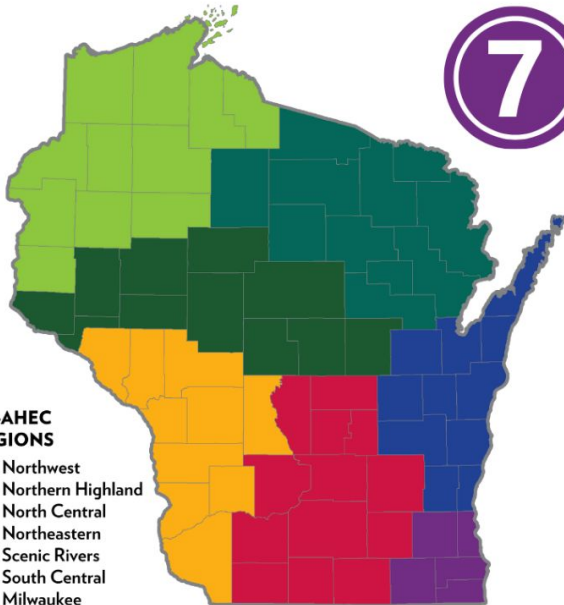
30+  
programs

Wisconsin AHEC specializes in developing and offering education and training opportunities statewide in partnership with academic and community partners across the full spectrum of health career pathways. In 2023-24 this included:

- Enrichment programs for 5,474 high school learners to increase their awareness of and interest in pursuing health careers,
- Community-based, interprofessional programs for 877 college level pre-health and health professions learners, and
- Professional development and continuing education programs for 151 currently practicing health professionals.

### WI-AHEC REGIONS

- Northwest
- Northern Highland
- North Central
- Northeastern
- Scenic Rivers
- South Central
- Milwaukee



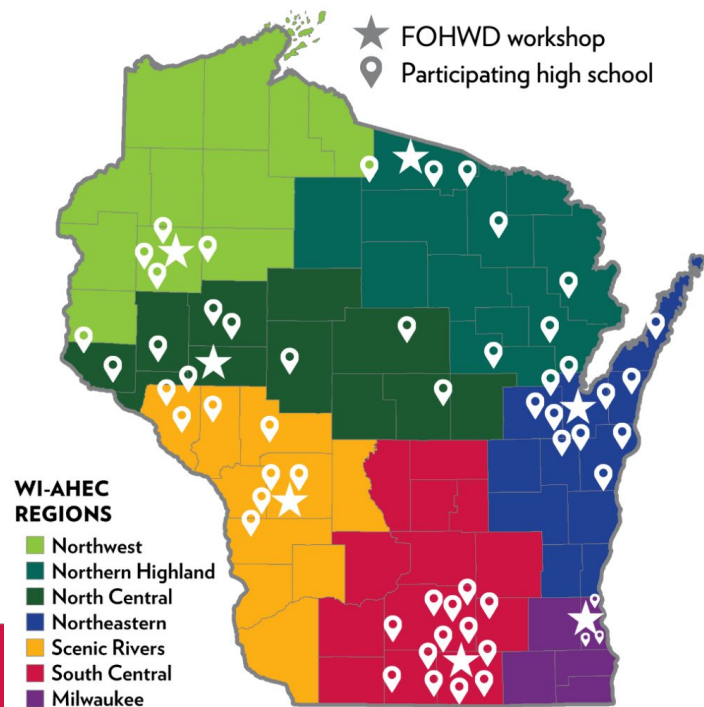
# Future Oral Health Workforce Day (FOHWD)

## Community & Academic Partners

- Apex Dental Laboratory Group
- Children's Wisconsin
- Community Health Systems, Inc.
- Eby Family Dental
- Green Valley Dental Care
- HealthNet of Rock County
- Integrity Family Dentistry
- Peter Christensen Dental Clinic
- Scenic Bluffs Community Health Center
- Summit Dental Consulting
- Wauwatosa Family Dental
- Wisconsin Department of Health Services
- Blackhawk Technical College
- Chippewa Valley Technical College
- Marquette University
- Milwaukee Area Technical College
- Northeast Wisconsin Technical College
- Northwood Technical College
- Western Technical College



Map of approximate FOHWD workshop locations and participating high schools



Pre-health  
professional  
learners

# Community Health Internship Program (CHIP)



**124**  
CHIP Interns



Coming from  
**35**  
Academic Institutions



Serving at  
**97**  
Host Sites

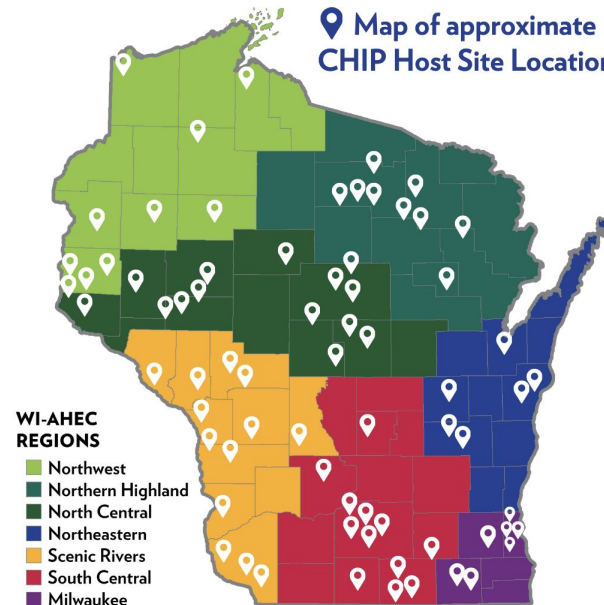


Across  
**41**  
Counties



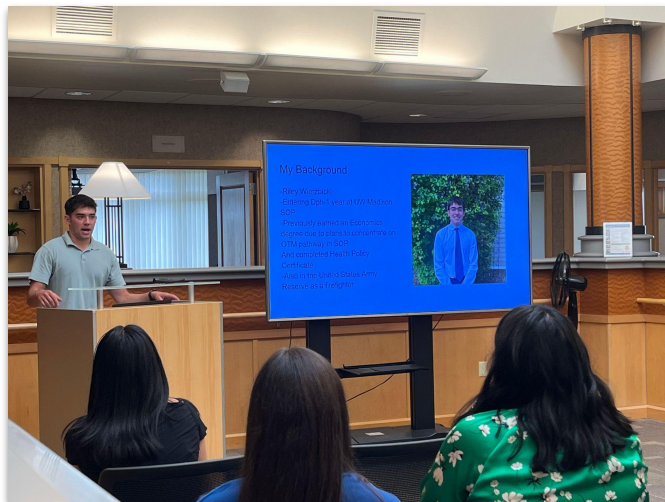
- 8-week summer internship
- gain valuable public health knowledge, skills, and experience
- strengthen and extend the capacity of community host sites
- receive a stipend based on position type to help with living expenses

Map of approximate  
CHIP Host Site Locations

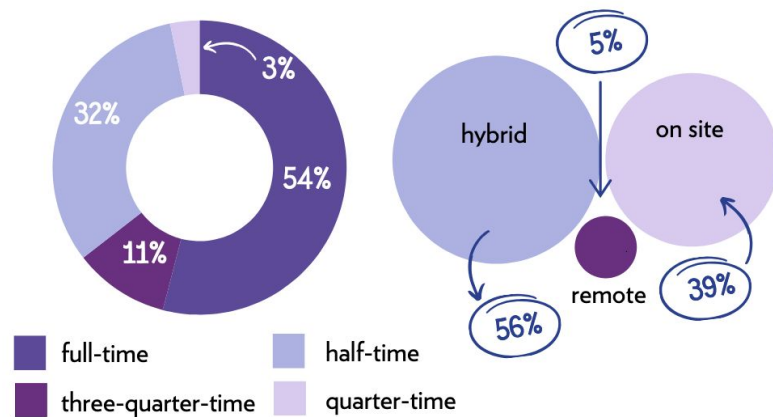


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# Community Health Internship Program (CHIP)



## CHIP Intern Position Types & Arrangements



**97% of host site mentors indicated a positive overall experience and rated the quality of their CHIP Intern's work as excellent**



*"Having a local intern proved crucial for this project. We needed someone self-motivated, ready to dive in, and capable of leading a project. Our intern met these criteria and played a vital role in laying the foundation for our work." ~ 2024 CHIP Host Site Mentor*

Health  
professional  
learners

# AHEC Scholars



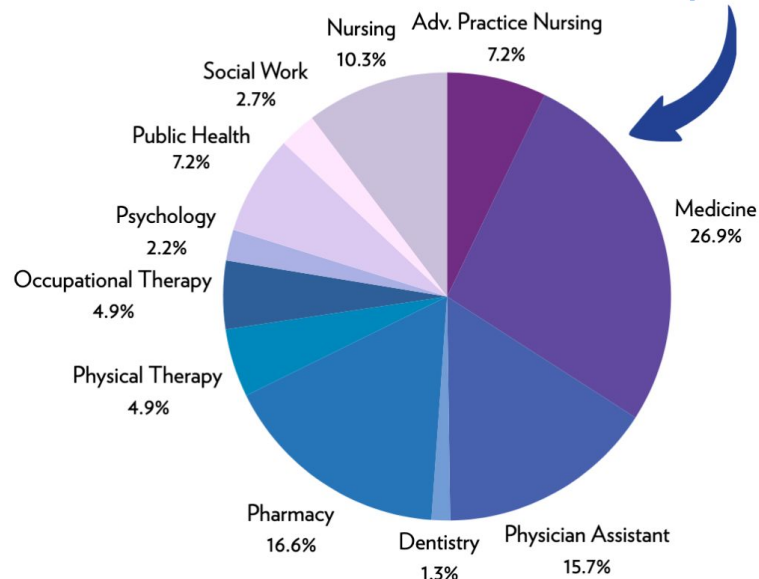
**223**  
AHEC Scholars



Coming from  
**26**  
Academic Institutions



Representing  
**11**  
Health Disciplines



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You can extend your organization's reach by partnering with your local AHEC Center:

- Host a student for a hands-on community health internship or field placement
- Lend your expertise to our curriculum through virtual or in-person presentations/demonstrations
- Serve as a member of your local AHEC Center's board of directors
- Use our experienced staff to organize and facilitate your community health education event
- Other ideas? Let's talk!

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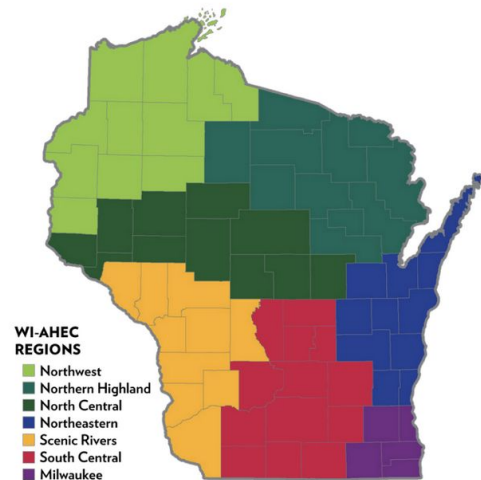
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