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Feature Program: MCW Future Physician's Day



North Central Wisconsin AHEC (NCAHEC) and Northern Highland Wisconsin AHEC (NHAHEC), along with the Medical College of Wisconsin-Central WI Campus (MCW-CW), hosted 'Future Physician's Day' on Friday January 6. Fifteen junior and senior high school students from 13 schools in northern Wisconsin participated in the day-long event, where they toured the MCW-CW Campus, participated in several interactive and simulated activities, learned about the pathway into medicine from a primary care physician, gained an understanding of the classroom format and technology involved in medical school, and even got to have lunch with 1st year medical students who shared their medical school challenges and triumphs. The day was a success with 14 out of 15 students agreeing that their interest in becoming a physician increased, while all students agreed they gained a better understanding of academic and financial planning for medical school.

UW-SP Interprofessional Education Presentation

North Central Wisconsin AHEC hosted an interprofessional education (IPE) interactive presentation on February 1, 2017 at the University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point. Students gained an understanding of IPE principles, analyzed perceptions and stereotypes of various health professions and evaluated case studies of poor care coordination in a clinical setting. Sixteen students attended the session and are enrolled in a Research Design and Methods for the Health Sciences course in which they complete an interprofessional practice research project. This presentation served as an overview of IPE leading into their project research.



Health Careers Summer Camp

Each year, NCAHEC accepts 20 students to participate in an intensive, week-long summer health careers camp, with concentrated efforts placed on recruitment of rural, disadvantaged, and minority participants. The camp focuses on career exploration, post-secondary planning, service learning, and caring for vulnerable populations, all through in-kind experiences coordinated with 14 regional health care and academic partners.



Amish/Mennonite Wisconsin Express

This week-long program gives health professions students of different disciplines a unique opportunity to become immersed in Wisconsin's diverse communities and cultures, while they explore health care delivery in medically underserved and rural areas. In May 2016, six students spent a week in north central Wisconsin learning about rural health care and the Amish/Mennonite population. Students toured health care facilities, spoke with health care professionals serving the area, and visited many Amish businesses.



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