

Scenic Rivers Wisconsin AHEC

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Feature Program: IMPACT-IPE 2.0, Interprofessional Model of Patient Care Training



Health professions students from UW-La Crosse's Occupational Therapy, Physician Assistant, and Physical Therapy programs along with Viterbo University's Dietetics, Nursing, and Social Work students participate in this annual event. Standardized patients are seen by teams of students who address patient concerns and collaborate to develop a patient care plan. The program focuses on skills students will use in future employment including communication, conflict resolution, respect, cultural competence, and cooperation. Providing students an environment to better understand the scope of practice of other health professions and recognize their own contributions to a team is essential to supporting patient centered prevention and health services.

Hands on Health Days

Partnerships with the Mayo Clinic Health Systems and Gunderson Healthcare System provides students, from surrounding area high schools, with real life exposure into healthcare facilities. These day-long health career tours give students the opportunity to partake in hands-on activities and engage with health professionals, while learning about what it takes to have a future career in healthcare.



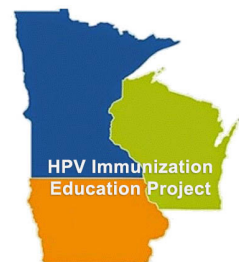
Community Projects & Internships

Scenic Rivers Wisconsin AHEC coordinates community based health projects for medical students rotating through the region. These projects focus on community needs and connect students with local organizations, helping them better understand specific cultures and communities as well as their role as health care professionals beyond the hospital/clinic walls. Student placement in community based internships has provided opportunities for first hand learning for students and completion of projects with evidence based practice for organizations.



HPV Immunization Education Project

Scenic Rivers Wisconsin AHEC received funding from the National AHEC Organization and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to participate in a national education effort around the HPV vaccine. We connect with providers, healthcare professionals, and health facilities that deal directly with HPV vaccinations throughout Iowa, Minnesota, and Wisconsin. Through webinars, events, fact sheets, etc., we educate at least 300 individuals per state annually, to help increase vaccination rates and lower the chances of cancer caused by HPV.



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