



# NORTHERN HIGHLAND

Wisconsin Area Health Education Center

## 2021-22 Impact

Serving Florence, Forest, Langlade, Lincoln, Marinette, Menominee, Oconto, Oneida, Price, Shawano & Vilas Counties -and-  
Ho-Chunk, Lac du Flambeau, Menominee, Forest County Potawatomi, Sokaogon Mole Lake, Chippewa & Stockbridge-Munsee First Nation communities.



**2 Staff Members, 6 Board Directors**

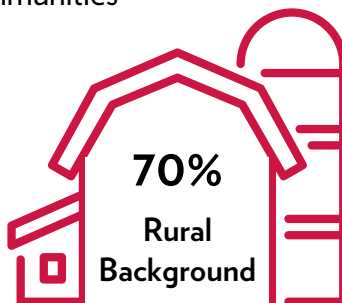
Wisconsin AHEC advances health equity in our rural and underserved communities through education and training opportunities that aim to increase the diversity, distribution, and development of our healthcare workforce.



### Cohort 4 & 5 Scholars Completed:

3, 678 community-based experiential learning hours serving 26 partner organizations in:

- 8 primary care settings
- 23 medically underserved communities
- 15 rural areas



**70%**

**Rural  
Background**

### Demographics:

- 30 Scholars
- 10 different health professions
- 30% graduate health professions

*"I would like to reiterate that my WI AHEC Scholars experience has been phenomenal, and I have no doubt that it has prepared me to step into this public-health-focused role."*

*-C3Y2 Scholars Student*

Addressing primary care health professional shortages while focusing on these core topics:

Social Determinants of Health	Current and Emerging Health Issues	Practice Transformation	Cultural Competency	Interprofessional Education	Behavioral Health Integration
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## Community Health Internship Program



### Host Site Locations:

- Florence County
- Lincoln County
- St. Germain
- Madison with statewide support



*"My leadership, creativity, and organizational skills have grown so much as a result of this internship. I will take these skills with me in the rest of my education and future career. You played a great role in connecting me to resources like shadowing and networking opportunities, which I am grateful for."*

*-2022 CHIP Intern*

Interns reported increased confidence in:

Describing how social determinant affect the health of a community or a population

Demonstrating how skills and knowledge of interprofessional team members complement and overlap

Responding appropriately to needs of others with respect to their cultural/ethnic backgrounds or socioeconomic status



### Wisconsin Express

100%

Strengthened  
knowledge & skills  
reflecting cultural  
competency

#### Winter 2022 - Virtual

- 5 NH Scholars joined a group of 52 interprofessional student learners
- Presenters from diverse populations: Indigenous, Incarcerated, Hmong, African American, Homeless, Hispanic, Immigrant

#### Summer 2022 - In-person

- 11 interprofessional student learners
- Cultural immersion of Indigenous culture and health, public health, domestic violence support, substance use and behavioral health support

*"The community that we were placed into to learn about was the best part. It offered a sense of humility and conscious thinking to realize that everyone needs help and there are resources that need to be advocated for."*

-2022 WI Express Participant

### Rural Mental Health Simulation

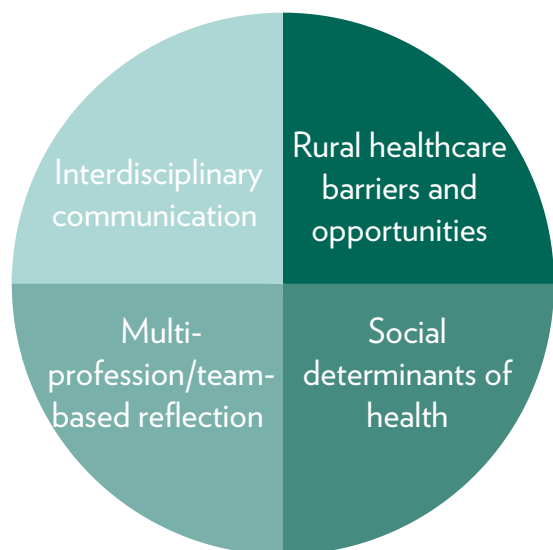
In partnership with Nicolet College

2 Simulations completed:

10.20.2021 and 4.6.2022

#### Interdisciplinary Professions:

- Nursing
- EMS/Fire
- Law Enforcement
- Substance Use Disorder Counseling



#### Supporting Youth Programming:

- HOSA Board participation
- HOSA Partnership Council support
- Encouraging more HOSA Chapters in Northwoods region

#### Currently 2 HOSA Chapters in NH Region:

- Rhinelander School District
- Eagle River School District