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RECOGNITION OF EXCELLENCE

Local: Scenic Rivers was awarded national recognition during July's



National AHEC Organization (NAO) biennial conference in Washington, DC. A Program of Excellence Award was achieved for the Rural Health Tour program which started in 2010. Over the years the program has expanded from taking a few Viterbo Nursing students per year to include over 100 students per year and other campuses like the UW Richland. Read the [full PR](#) on our website.

Statewide: During the NAO conference in Washington DC– the entire Wisconsin AHEC team also took home a very prestigious award. The Program of Excellence award is given biennially to an AHEC program that exemplifies

community and university partnerships, program comprehensiveness, responsiveness to community needs and has had a significant impact on improving access to healthcare for citizens in its state. Nancy Sugden, Program Director for Wisconsin AHEC commented , “What I find most



remarkable about Wisconsin AHEC, however, is the degree of collaboration among our seven regional AHEC centers for program development and implementation. Shared programming and a cooperative spirit have enabled us to make the most of limited resources and build the program.”

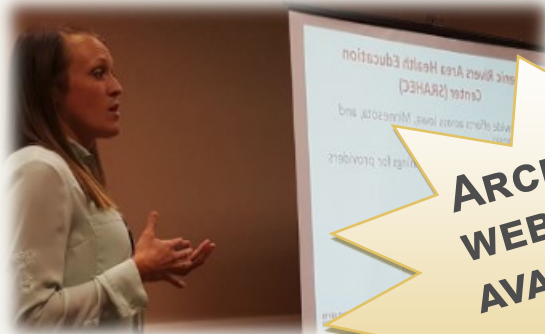
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HPV VACCINE EDUCATION PROJECT

Additional 2016 grant funding has allowed SRAHEC to continue efforts across WI, MN and IA to educate healthcare professionals about the HPV vaccine. Multiple webinars have been hosted and are archived on our website—including a session specifically for dental professionals. Regional HPV Educator, Aubrey Stetter-Hesselberg presented at the Wisconsin Public Health Association Annual Conference with partners from across WI to discuss successes and struggles with bringing

awareness to this issue. HPV Education Summits will be held in all three states this year and outreach numbers have exceeded 800 professionals!



**ARCHIVED
WEBINARS
AVAILABLE**

NAO Conference

Executive Director, Laura Pettersen, presented on SRAHEC's high school programming at the NAO conference in Washington DC. The program highlighted the multitude of partners, innovative engagement and evaluation metrics used to guide better practices.

WISCONSIN EXPRESS

SRAHEC coordinated two Wisconsin Express experiences in May 2016. Wisconsin Express is a statewide AHEC program that takes college students on a field experience to focus on particular underserved populations in the healthcare realm.

This was the tenth year for the La Crosse site which had four participants. There were six participants at the new Fennimore site. Both programs received great reviews. This is yet another testament to SRAHEC's commitment to expand its programming throughout the 10 county region.



After learning about SWCAP, Neighborhood Health Partners in Fennimore students and staff pose for a picture.



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STUDENT SPOTLIGHT

Another great line-up of exemplary AHEC student participants were highlighted in the past few months: March—Brooke Stanek April—Dominic Glodowski, May—Kolten Kline, June—Kristine Elsen, July—Jordan Gaal. Read about their involvement, future healthcare career goals, and testimony to the guidance from Scenic Rivers AHEC.



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Brooke Stanek

High School: Hillsboro, WI
College: University of Madison, WI
Majors: Human Development & Family Studies



Brooke and other AHEC Alumni participated in AHEC's Day at the Capital in Madison, Sept. 2015.



What was your first AHEC experience?

My first AHEC experience was Health Careers Camp the summer before my sophomore year of high school. The experience opened my eyes to the diverse field of healthcare and got me excited about the possibility of one day becoming a doctor!

What other AHEC programming have you utilized or plan to participate in?

This past May, I participated in WI Express, a week long program similar to Health Careers Camp but designed for college students. I also belong to the AHEC Alumni Association and the Scenic Rivers AHEC Leadership Council.

What would you like to do in healthcare?

I graduated from Hillsboro High School in 2012. In May, I will be graduating from UW-Madison with a B.S. in Human Development & Family Studies. I plan to take a gap year and apply to medical school over the summer with the goal of becoming a pediatrician.

Don't
Miss Out!

Students: Pathway to a Healthcare Career

September 28, 2016 | 5:30-7:30pm

Held at Gundersen Health System's Integrated Center for Education, 4th floor, 1827 Sims Place, La Crosse

Open to students in grades 9-12, registration required
Register today for this exciting opportunity to navigate your healthcare career path. You'll have the chance to speak with practicing professionals, learn about their journey into a healthcare career, and how you can prepare to get to your final healthcare career destination. A wide variety of professions will be represented.

Register on our website:

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HEALTHCARE PROFESSIONALS:

An interprofessional conference hosted by WI AHEC and WI Council on Medical Education & Workforce is planned for Nov. 10-11 in Madison. Find out presenting and registration details on the state AHEC site:

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Conference Objectives:

- Engage with colleagues practicing in health, social care, and education interested in IPE and IPCP.
- Develop and build on knowledge and skills across the spectrum of IPE and IPCP program development.
- Learn the current state of IPE and IPCP, theory based best practices, and lessons learned in the field.
- Advance and sustain IPE and IPCP to facilitate effective and patient centered health care education and practice.



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Countdown to the Capital

Executive Director, Laura Pettersen along with students and representatives from AHEC regions across Wisconsin spent a day in Washington, DC visiting elected officials to share participants' testimony and the progress of programs that promote a stronger healthcare system in Wisconsin through improved access.



Questions about this newsletter or how you can join our programming?

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