



## NM AHEC Scholars Program Partners

### Project ECHO

*Right Knowledge. Right Time. Right Place.*

*Project ECHO delivers education and knowledge to rural communities by linking interdisciplinary specialty teams with primary care physicians, using technology to*

*reach as many areas as possible. There are more than 65 sites spread over more than 20 countries. For more information*



*please visit:*

<https://echo.unm.edu/>



## The UNM Health Sciences Center Interprofessional Education Program

*The mission of the UNM HSC Interprofessional Education (IPE) program is to support the training of health professions students and faculty in inter-professional communication and collaborative practice models. The IPE program prepares future health professionals with the knowledge, skills, attitudes, and leadership necessary to improve health outcomes for the patients and communities we serve through collaborative patient centered care practices. To find out more, please visit:*



<https://hsc.unm.edu/ipe>

## A few quotes from students who participated in the Pilot Program

*"The content and goals [I learned] that we can make a difference, no matter how big or small our roles are. . . ."*

*"It helped me get more exposure to different healthcare professions, which will help me change my practice in the future."*

*"The main thing I learned was that there are many ways to go about treating a patient, all of which can be correct."*

*"I learned that even experienced clinicians have medical mysteries crop up"*



### AHEC CENTERS:

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# New Mexico Area Health Education Center Scholars Program



*Area Health Education Centers (AHECs) connect students to health careers, connect health professionals to communities, and connect communities to better health!*

**NEW MEXICO AHEC PROGRAM**  
A Member of the National AHEC Organization



# AHEC SCHOLARS



## The AHEC Mission

To enhance access to quality health care, particularly primary and preventative care, by improving the supply and distribution of health care professionals through community-academic partnerships.

## The AHEC Scholars Program

The AHEC Scholars Program is a federally funded, nation-wide initiative to create a cadre of health professionals across disciplines committed to working together in rural and underserved communities.

AHEC Scholars will be leaders in their fields, having gained the knowledge, skills and training to improve primary care practice outcomes through inter-professional and collaborative training and experience.



NATIONAL AHEC ORGANIZATION

## About the New Mexico AHEC Scholars Program

New Mexico AHEC Scholars will be selected from various health professions programs and regions of the state. They will participate in a two year program that includes 40 hours per year of didactic training related to six core topic areas:

- ◆ Inter-professional education
- ◆ Behavioral health integration
- ◆ Social determinants of health
- ◆ Cultural competency
- ◆ Practice transformation
- ◆ Current and emerging health issues, such as opioid addiction

A significant part of the didactic training will include intensive systems leadership workshops with the NM AHEC Scholar cohort. In addition, Scholars will participate in an interprofessional primary care AHEC TeleECHO clinic, the first of its kind!

AHEC scholars will also receive 40 hours per year of community-based, interdisciplinary team-based experience as part of their regular clinical training each year. Each cohort of scholars will have the opportunity to network with other scholars and faculty through in-person and online training and seminars.

## Benefits

- ◆ Intensive leadership training
- ◆ Expert mentorship and training by recognized faculty
- ◆ Acknowledgment as an AHEC Scholar in graduation program
- ◆ Formal Certificate of Completion that can be added to a CV
- ◆ Participation in a state-wide interdisciplinary group of future health care leaders
- ◆ Membership in the national AHEC Scholars initiative
- ◆ Some programs may offer academic or honors credit
- ◆ Participation in the path-breaking Interprofessional Primary Care AHEC TeleECHO clinic



## How can I join this prestigious group?

To apply to the NM AHEC Scholars Program, visit:  
<https://is.gd/NMScholars>

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