



## HEALTH CAREERS ACADEMY OF NEVADA

*BUILDING THE FUTURE OF HEALTH CARE*

The Health Careers Academy of Nevada was developed to support statewide capacity building and aims to serve as an overarching umbrella that houses the Nevada AHEC pathway programs. Partners, key stakeholders, employers, students, and even the overall community can easily identify this as the vehicle that recruits, trains, and produces highly qualified healthcare professionals at all levels through various programs and initiatives and in support of our state's health care workforce needs.

**3,289**  
Participants

*Enhancing access to quality healthcare, particularly primary and preventive care, by improving the supply and distribution of healthcare professionals through community and academic educational partnerships.*



**AHEC Scholars** is for graduate and doctorate level health profession students who wish to complement their education by further developing their leadership knowledge and experience in rural or underserved urban settings. The experiential and didactic trainings cover six core topic areas related to the practice of healthcare to supplement students' knowledge of behavioral health, interprofessional education, social determinants of health, cultural competency, practice transformation, and other current and emerging issues.

## 81 AHEC SCHOLARS:

Behavioral Health Students (Clinical Psychology, Psychiatry, Marriage and Family Counselor and Clinical Social Work)

Dental Student

Medical Students

Nursing Students (APRN, RN, LPN, NP and CNA)

Physician Assistant Students

Pre-Med Students

Public Health Students (MPH, Kinesiology and Epidemiology)

Radiology Technician Student

Rehabilitation Student

**Rural Outreach Clinics:** AHEC centers continue to support rural outreach clinics organized by UNR Medical Students. Outreach clinics were provided specifically for migrant workers and underserved rural communities.

## 14 TOTAL CLINICS

**120**

Total medical patients seen

**26**

Total dental patients seen

7 Clinics in Yerington  
4 Clinics in Fallon  
5 Clinics in Silver Springs

**18**

Scholars

Completed the MED663 (Medical Spanish) Course offered at UNR. This course improves medical students' skills and acquire basic Spanish medical terminology needed to communicate about health and disease effectively.

**Pipeline programs** expose students at the K-16 level to health careers. Programs encourage the pursuit of post-secondary education and/or a career in a healthcare field.

## 1,077 health career participants

**64%**

*from disadvantaged backgrounds*

*from rural backgrounds*

**22%**

**Clinical training** improves the readiness, willingness, and ability of health professions trainees to gain direct patient care while serving in primary care, rural, and underserved community settings.

## Rural Clinical Rotations

Discipline	Number of Professionals/Students
Medical Students	12
Biology	1
Public Health	1
EMT Paramedic/ First Responder	1

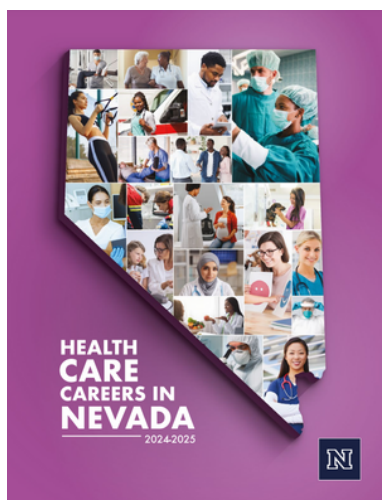
**Continuing education** provides certified and licensed health professionals with access to education and resources; improving the quality of patient-centered care for Nevadans, supporting professional development, staff retention, and prioritizing best practices.

**40**

Continuing education participants

## STATEWIDE PARTNERS

- BeHERENV
- Carson Tahoe Health
- Carson Valley Medical Center
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention
- Center for the Application of Substance Abuse Technologies
- Children's Cabinet
- Churchill County School District
- Clark County School District
- Community of Bilingual English-Spanish Speakers
- Communities in Schools
- Community Chest
- Community Health Alliance
- Department of Health and Human Services
- Employ Nevada
- Governor's Office of Workforce Innovations
- Great Basin College
- Healthy Communities Coalition
- Immunize Nevada
- Kirk Kerkorian School of Medicine at UNLV
- Las Vegas HEALS (Health, Education, Advocacy, and Leadership of Southern Nevada)
- Lyon County School District
- Nevada Alliance for Youth Apprenticeship
- National Association for the Advancement of Colored People
- Nevada Community Health Worker Association
- Nevada Certification Board
- Nevada Department of Education, Career & Technical Education
- Nevada Department of Employment, Training, and Rehabilitation
- Nevada Health Centers
- Nevada Hospital Association
- Nevada Office of Minority Health and Equity
- Nevada Minority Health and Equity Coalition
- Nevada Office of Public Health Informatics and Epidemiology
- Nevada Primary Care Association
- Nevada Public Health Training Center
- Nevada Rural Health Network
- Nevada Rural Hospital Partners
- Nevada State Office of Rural Health
- Nevada System of Higher Education
- Nevada Works
- Office for Service Learning
- Project ECHO Nevada
- Renown Health
- Roseman University of Health Sciences
- Southern Nevada Health District
- Touro University Nevada
- TRIO
- Truckee Meadows Community College
- Unite Us
- University of Nevada, Las Vegas
- University of Nevada, Reno
- Upward Bound
- Washoe County Health District
- Washoe County School District
- Western Governor's University
- Western Nevada College
- Workforce Connections



The 2024-2025 edition of the *Health Care Careers in Nevada* contains information on over 75 health care occupations in Nevada. The biennial publication includes an overview of job requirements, current workforce, statewide employment projections, and average salary in Nevada for each occupation.

Scan here for the downloadable pdf.



## TESTIMONIALS:

"These programs are able to expose young learners to the breadth of career opportunities within the health care field. Reaching students at earlier ages has a number of benefits, including encouraging youth to be civically engaged in their communities. Youth programs also have the ability to broaden participation across racial/ethnic minoritized groups. K-12 programs are able to support youth through mentoring and additional recourses, which is especially important as they transition out of K-12 to post-secondary education. All of these experiences build emotional intelligence in youth, better preparing them for post-secondary aspirations and career readiness. - Jenica Fennegan, Community of Bilingual English-Spanish Speakers (CBESS)

"This program has helped me put a name to what I now know as health care barriers. It has taught me what ways I may need to prepare in order to enter the healthcare system. Beyond that I they also taught me knowledge that I will be able to apply to my daily health which would be my biggest take away. This includes in what ways I am responsible for my health and how I can advocate for myself. Overall, I am grateful for my opportunity to participate in this program." - Program participant

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