Join us in our innovative new interprofessional health professionals training opportunity!

<u>WWAMI AHEC Scholars</u> <u>Program Overview</u> A "HRSA/AHEC branded interdisciplinary educational and training program that focuses on a diverse, culturally competent healthcare workforce that specializes in rural and underserved areas."

## Program Entry

- · Two-year program
- Formal application process
- Program seeks to help students from disadvantaged backgrounds, rural areas and racial/ethnic groups inadequately represented in health care
- Goal: Diverse cohorts of interprofessional students enrolled in a variety of health professional degrees or certificate programs.

## Year One

- Orientation to AHEC Scholars
- 40 hours community/experiential/clinical learning
- 40 hours didactics through Rural/underserved Health Course I (offered on various regional campuses and/or asynchronously)

**Year Two** 

- 40 hours community/experiential/clinical learning
- 40 hours didactics through Rural/underserved Health Course II (offered on various regional campuses and/or asynchronously)
- Spring regional networking events
- AHEC Scholars Graduation!

## <u>WWAMI AHEC Scholars Program</u> <u>Core Topic Areas</u>



**Interprofessional Education**: supports a coordinated, patient-centered model of health care that involves an understanding of the contributions of multiples health care professionals



**Behavioral Health Integration**: promotes the development of integrated primary and behavioral health services (mental health and substance use conditions)



**Social Determinants of Health**: economic stability, education, social and community context, health & health care, neighborhood & built environments (determinants) - their impact on health



**Cultural Competency**: training health care providers to recognize & address the unique culture, language & health literacy of diverse individuals & communities.



**Practice Transformation**: goal-setting, leadership, practice facilitation, workflow changes, measuring outcomes, adapting organizational tools and processes to support new team-based models of care delivery



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**Current and Emerging Health Issues**: examples include Zika virus, pandemic influenza, opioid abuse, geographically relevant health issues, etc. Prior approval by HRSA required for a topical health issue.

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