



CALIFORNIA EAST LOS ANGELES AHEC

ABOUT

Housed at AltaMed Clinic Services, a full service federally qualified community health center network with 43 locations in southern California, the East Los Angeles Area Health Education Center (AHEC) provides continuing education to health professionals working in Community Health Centers (CHC) and offers clinical rotations to primary care residents and health professions students. The AltaMed Health Services AmeriCorps Program is funded by California Volunteers. AmeriCorps members provide outreach services to increase health care access, engage in health education and wellness efforts, and provide career exposure and development activities to encourage high school students to pursue health care and other science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) careers in Los Angeles and Orange counties. The AHEC acts as the entry point for all workforce pipelines and community recruitment for AltaMed and its CHC network, providing opportunities such as student internships and clinical placements from high school to graduate level.

The AHEC assists in incumbent worker training to AltaMed's 3,000-employee workforce, providing curriculum development and competency-based training to assist in employee retention. With collaborative partners such as the Los Angeles City and the Los Angeles County Workforce Investment Boards, the AHEC aligns Workforce Investment Act (WIA) funding to support WIA participants through vocational training allied health programs. Through these partnerships and the support of its advisory board school entity members, the AHEC focuses on achieving job preparedness and successful transition to meaningful employment.

In partnership with the Unidos US, the AHEC provides disadvantaged youth with health career pipeline services through its Escalera Program in the Los Angeles area that offers health career information, internships and strategies to navigate the college admittance process. The Program partners with the Los Angeles Unified School District (LAUSD) to provide college and career preparatory services in and after school at various high schools. To meet the demands of non-traditional students, the AHEC offers on-site GED and high school programming for independent study in partnership with LAUSD Adult School and Learn 4 Life Charter Academy. In 2011, the AHEC was one of four sites to be nationally funded by the Department of Labor to implement the Young Parent's Demonstration Project. This pilot program provided intensive mentoring services for low-income parents and expectant parents ages 16 to 24 as a supplement to educational and occupational skills training available through existing workforce development programs.

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A total of 25 male students had the opportunity to attend the 2017 Men in Nursing Conference (above left). Medical assistance students in training (above right).



A group of 132 eleventh grade students from Boyle Heights' Medical Magnet High School, who are interested in pursuing a career in Patient Care, learned about human anatomy and physiology at the world-renowned Body Worlds: Pulse Exhibit at the California Science Center (above).

2017-18 OUTCOMES TO DATE

Delivered education sessions to **800 high schoolers** on health professions careers and college preparation

30 AltaMed Health Fellows enhanced their communities by developing and implementing community service projects

389 students have been part of a clinical experience at AltaMed and currently, **66 clinical interns** placed within the organization

Provided **5 internships** through Bravo Medical Magnet and **11 internships** with Children's Hospital Los Angeles

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