



Connecting students to careers, professionals to communities and communities to better health.



Supporting Primary Care Workforce Development in Connecticut By:

- Promoting Strong Community/Academic Partnerships
- Creating Pipeline Programs for Pre-Health Professions Students
- Supporting Health Careers Awareness Programming
- Providing Community-Based Training for Health Professions Students
- Supporting Community-Based Health Education and Screenings
- Promoting Strategies to Address Health Disparities

CT AHEC Network Regional Centers:

Central AHEC, Inc. (Hartford, Middlesex and Tolland Counties, Meriden and Wallingford)

CT AHEC Partners With Opioid Prevention and Response Trainers

The CT AHEC Network partners with local organizations to address many of the healthcare challenges facing underserved populations in both rural and urban communities. Eastern AHEC recently launched a naloxone training initiative to teach community members, students and others how to properly react to and intervene during an opioid overdose. Participants learn the signs and symptoms of an overdose, how to properly administer the drug naloxone (known under the brand name Narcan™) in response, and facts about the current opioid epidemic and local resources they can turn to. As of August

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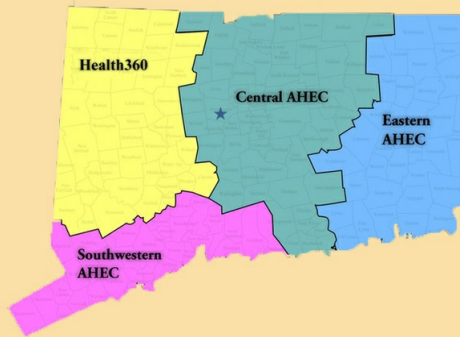
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2017, drug-related deaths in Connecticut were on track to exceed 1,000 in 2017, meaning an 18 percent increase over 2016, with deaths in both rural and urban areas.

Stephen Feathers, risk reduction outreach worker with Perception Programs, one of Eastern AHEC's partners, explains that "the opioid epidemic is reaching every corner of our communities on a daily basis. By working together we can help make sure people have the ability to save lives and give individuals a second chance just like with CPR/first aid and AED machines."

By increasing the accessibility of naxolone/Narcan training throughout Connecticut, Eastern AHEC strives to decrease the number of deaths via overdose occurring in the state. For training in Windham and New London Counties, [contact Eastern AHEC](#); for training in any region of the state, [contact AIDS Connecticut \(ACT\)](#).

The statewide Connecticut Area Health Education Center (CT AHEC) Network, based at UConn Health, is implemented through four regional centers which enable the CT AHEC Network to provide high-quality, efficient, effective and flexible services that meet local needs. Thank you for your continued support of the CT AHEC Network.

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