



**CT AHEC FYI**

Connecticut Area Health Education Center Network

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)

[www.centralctahec.org](http://www.centralctahec.org)

Health Education Center, Inc. (Windham and New London Counties)

[www.healtheducenter.org](http://www.healtheducenter.org)

Health360, Inc.  
(Greater Waterbury, Greater Danbury and Litchfield County)

## **CT AHEC Alumni Pay It Forward**

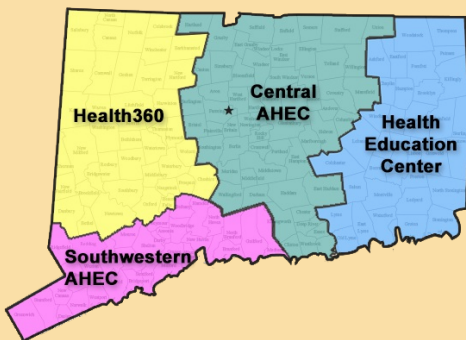
The CT AHEC Program values the contributions of current and former health profession student trainees. Tapping into the 450-plus graduates of the Urban Service Track/AHEC Scholars (UST/AS) Program, CT AHEC invites alumni to participate in the interviewing of potential AHEC Scholar applicants, as well as in enhanced training opportunities as community-based preceptors, learning retreat facilitators and mentors. CT AHEC recognizes the value added by graduates who understand the mission of the program and are willing to “pay it forward” by training current and future AHEC Scholars.

**Rubby Koomson, RN** (UST/AS Cohort 8), shares while as a student in the program she “did not fully comprehend the value that the program was instilling ... and the goal of making me an effective member of an interdisciplinary team.... I stay involved (in UST/AS) to pass on this knowledge to our new students, to encourage them and show them where UST/AS fits in the bigger picture upon

[www.health360.org](http://www.health360.org)

Southwestern AHEC, Inc.  
(Southern Fairfield and New  
Haven Counties)

[www.swctahec.org](http://www.swctahec.org)



graduation. I also stay involved to keep up with our communities and see the growth and impact Urban Health/AHEC Scholars continue to have....”

In addition to creating a UST/AS Alumni Advisory Committee to provide guidance on the needs of the health care workforce, the alumni provide content for the online column “[Lessons from the Field](#).” The column encompasses current and emerging topics for health professionals and is yet another example of how CT AHEC effectively taps the talents of graduates to inform and support health care providers and learners.

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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