



CT AHEC FYI

Connecticut Area Health Education Center Network

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



Connecticut's delegation at the 2022 National Junior Science and Humanities Symposium

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

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CT AHEC Supports STEM Workforce Development at Symposium

The Connecticut Junior Science and Humanities Symposium (JSHS), held virtually this year, was hosted by CT AHEC and sponsored by UConn Health in Farmington.

Over 125 participants from 35 high schools competed with and/or observed STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) research presentations as well as took part in career exploration and humanities activities. JSHS challenges students to be the future workforce that will make exciting discoveries and solve society's problems.

Five of Connecticut's top competitors earned a spot at the National JSHS held in Albuquerque, New Mexico, in April. There, two students especially stood out.

Sebastian Mengwall of Darien High School placed third in the physical sciences oral

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competition for using Mars global maps and artificial intelligence to improve the identification of cloud distribution and variability that will ultimately assist with future climatology studies on Mars. **Maya Chiravuri** of Choate Rosemary Hall, Wallingford, placed second in the medicine and health / behavioral sciences poster competition for developing an at-home test for elevated blood levels of a hormone precursor for early detection of congestive heart failure.

JSHS is organized by the National Science Teaching Association with the sponsorship of the U.S. Army, Navy and Air Force to encourage young people to pursue careers in STEM. CT JSHS is yet another example of how CT AHEC is preparing the state's workforce for tomorrow.

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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