Abstracts Details

SEARCH

SEARCH Program	New York State Area Health Education Center (AHEC) System
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Project Service Focus	Urban/Central City, Rural
Length of Rotation	Minimum of 120 hours
Disciplines eligible for rotation	 Clinical Psychology Clinical Social Work Dental Hygiene Dentistry Family Medicine General Internal Medicine General Pediatrics Marriage and Family Therapy Nurse-Midwifery Nurse Practitioner Obstetrics/Gynecology Physician Assistant Psychiatric Nursing Psychiatry *Please note not all disciplines are available in every area
Project Infrastructure Focus	Training
Products and Dissemination	NA
Stipend/Living Cost	Housing or travel reimbursement may be available.
General Description of Your Program	The New York State AHEC System, in collaboration with the Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS), places medical and health professions students interested in working with underserved populations into rotations and community experience projects in underserved communities.

Goals and Objectives	
Activities undertaken by Students/Residents in Program	SEARCH Program student/resident participants will participate in clinical placements and mentoring experiences with preceptors in HPSAs. Other student experiences can include community health projects such as 1) community assessment; 2) research on a specific community health problem; 3) health education, promotion and outreach; 4) survey of community resources; and 5) coordination of public health interventions (e.g., health screening, smoking cessation, and immunization programs.
Coordination	The New York State AHEC System, in collaboration with the Community Health Care Association of New York State (CHCANYS), will develop and implement the SEARCH Program for New York State; partners will identify community-based clinical sites and community health project sites. Workshops on precepting and teaching skills will be provided to preceptors who mentor students and residents at community health centers and other community-based training sites.
List of Sites Students can/will be rotating through	The rotation site depends on the type of rotations requested.
Evaluation	Students will be surveyed (pre and post) at all training sites, as will preceptors, mentors, and participating organizations.
Are you a former SEARCH Program	Ν