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Area Health Education Centers

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Arizona AHEC Program Mission Statement: To enhance access to quality health care, particularly primary and preventive care, by improving the supply and distribution of health care professionals through academic community educational partnerships in rural and urban medically underserved areas.

AzAHEC supported 4,302 Clinical Based Experiential Training (CBET) Rotations in AzAHEC Regional Centers, Rural Health Professions Programs, and South Campus Medical Residency Program for **639,003** training hours of health profession trainees.
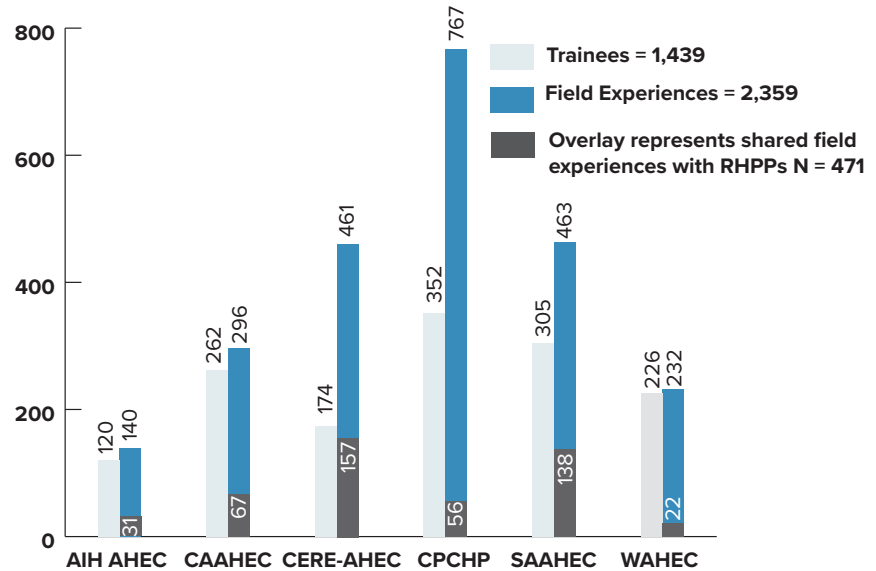
AzAHEC Scholars Program

The AzAHEC Scholars Program (ASP) is a two-year interprofessional program providing health profession students with advanced community-based experiences in rural and underserved settings in the AzAHEC Regional Center services areas. Graduate-level RHPP students are selected for participation by their RHPP, and health profession undergraduate students are selected by American Indian AHEC. A total of 512 scholars are currently enrolled or have completed the ASP.

Preceptor Laura Maurer, DNP, FNP-C and DNP, RHPP student Wilfredo Rodriguez, FNP during a Clinical Based Experiential Training (CBET) Field Experience.

AzAHEC Trainees and Field Experiences by AzAHEC Regional Center
July 1, 2024-June 30, 2025

- Trainees = 1,439
- Field Experiences = 2,359
- Overlay represents shared field experiences with RHPPs N = 471

Center	Trainees	Field Experiences	Shared
AIH AHEC	120	140	31
CAAHEC	262	296	67
CERE-AHEC	174	461	157
CPCHP	352	767	56
SAAHEC	305	463	138
WAHEC	226	232	22

AzAHEC Regional Centers

provided over **6,000** Youth (K–16) Health Career Preparation Programs in Rural and Urban Underserved Areas. This included 1,826 Grade 9-16 participants in structured pipeline programs with a minimum of 20 hours.

supported health information events for nearly **3,200** local community members.

provided 160 continuing education and professional development events for over **4,700** physicians, dentists, pharmacists, nurse practitioners, physician assistants and other health professionals.