



Subject: Tribal Area Health Education Center Discussion Notes

Date: October 30, 2019 from 10:00 AM – 12 Noon

Location: Health Sciences Innovation Building (HSIB) Room 995, Tucson, AZ

Attendees:

Michael Allison, Arizona Department of Health Services (ADHS) Native American Liaison

Agnes Attakai, MPA Director Health Disparities Outreach Prevention Education, AzCRH

Raquel Aviles, Board Member Advisory Council on Indian Health Care (ACOIHC)

Leila Barraza, JD, MPH, Rural Health Professions Program Director, MEZCOPH

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Senator Heather Carter, EdD

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Katie Dauphinais Director of State Relations, UArizona Govt. & Community Relations

Carlos Gonzales, MD Director Rural Health Professions Program & Commitment to

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David Reede, Director San Carlos Health Department, Board Member (ACOIHC)

Kim Russell, Executive Director, Arizona Advisory Council on Indian Health Care (ACOIHC)

Jennifer Zuñiga, Associate Director AzaAHEC Program

Invited – Unable to Attend:

Margaret M. Briehl, PhD, UArizona Professor of Pathology

Francine Gachupin, PhD, MPH, Asst. Director, Native American Research & Training Center

Michelle Kahn-John PhD, RN, NP, Clinical Assoc. Prof., UArizona College of Nursing

Francisco Moreno MD, UArizona Assoc. VP, Office of Diversity & Inclusion

Discussion: Senator Carter and Kim Russell provided a legislative history on the 2018 session's Tribal AHEC bill (SB 1174), sponsored by Senator Carter.

- [SB 1174](#) sought to amend current AzaAHEC statute ([§ 15-1643](#)) to add a sixth AzaAHEC Regional Center to “focus on the Indian Health Care Delivery System.” It did not request a state appropriation.
- The bill passed out of the Senate in 2018 session, but did not make it for a House vote.
- Discussed the uncertainty for health bills in the 2020 legislative session.
- Supported: San Carlos, Tohono O’odham, Fort McDowell Yavapai Nation, others.

Dan Derksen and Jennifer Zuñiga discussed the draft AzaAHEC Program 2019 Annual Report, the AzaAHEC Program, Regional Center and Rural Health Professions Program (RHPP) history, purpose, federal requirements, and requirements of Arizona Revised Statutes ([§ 15-1643](#), [§ 15-1644](#), [§ 15-1645](#), [§ 5-572C](#), and [§15-1754](#)). The AzaAHEC Program five-year budget includes contingencies for a sixth AHEC Regional Center (Tribal AHEC) if legislation is enacted in 2020. It is important that this be done without reducing funding to the existing five Regional Centers. If authorizing legislation does not pass, contracts with the existing five Regional Centers could be amended to “focus on the Indian Health Care Delivery System” in the near term

(over five years). This assumes continuation of federal AHEC funding through the Health Resources & Services Administration (HRSA), which is in year three of a five year competing continuation grant and ongoing state funding through the state lottery (§ 5-572). Additional state, federal or grant funding would be necessary for the long term (five to ten years).

All contributed to the discussion on challenges, opportunities, next steps for a Tribal AHEC.

- Interaction with current five AzAHEC Regional Centers, impacts on budget, activities.
- If federal funding is requested for a sixth AHEC Regional Center, federal requirements about geographic overlap would have to be addressed.
- Tribal AHEC priorities were discussed - workforce development such as health aide program, dental therapist, dental health aide, behavioral health.
- Discussed the Advisory Council on Indian Health Care (ACOIHC) roles in establishing a Tribal AHEC, goal setting and timeframe - such as tribal health workforce.
- Discussed how does public health accreditation might fit within the Tribal AHEC model.
- Dr. Mike Dake, SVP for Health Sciences, visited briefly with some of the group after the meeting. He asked to be copied with the notes and kept apprised of the progress.

Action Items

1. The AzAHEC Program will draft an AzAHEC Report on Tribal Activities for the planning committee. Jennifer Zuñiga will draft the report, collaborating with Agnes Attakai and Dr. Derksen to distribute to the group by November 15, 2019.
2. A Tribal Health Workforce Planning Committee will be created to plan a Tribal Health Workforce Forum to highlight allied and professional health careers, focus on opportunities at tribal and community colleges, highlight pathway programs, have AHEC Regional Centers present on their programs, and discuss, strategize on unmet tribal community needs. The Arizona Center for Rural Health (AzCRH) will assist with conference logistical support. The AzAHEC Program will cover the 2020 forum costs. Planning committee and Chairs will be decided at the next Tribal AHEC discussion meeting.
3. Tribal AHEC legislation: Senator Carter and Kim Russell are working on the 2020 bill.
4. Tribal AHEC development discussion will continue to focus on the goal and structure.
5. Notes from the October 30 discussion will be emailed to participants. Another meeting will be held December, 2019. Agnes Attakai will coordinate the logistics for the next meeting.

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SUMMARY OF NATIVE AMERICAN TRAINEE EXPERIENCES 2016-19

Overview

Arizona AHEC utilizes SalesForce, a customer relationship management software, to record all data for awarded sub-contracts. The data base requires input by awardees, including Health Professions and Health Career Pipeline Trainees’ demographics. Demographics are defined by HRSA, AzaAHEC’s federal funding source. The following report presents overall data related to participants who have self-identified as Native American, inclusive of participants who have also self-identified with a second race. Demographics are not required in the data base for short-term events (i.e. continuing education or other events) and are not contained in this report. Note that Regional Center GVAHEC, referenced in this report, transitioned to CAAHEC beginning 7/1/2019.

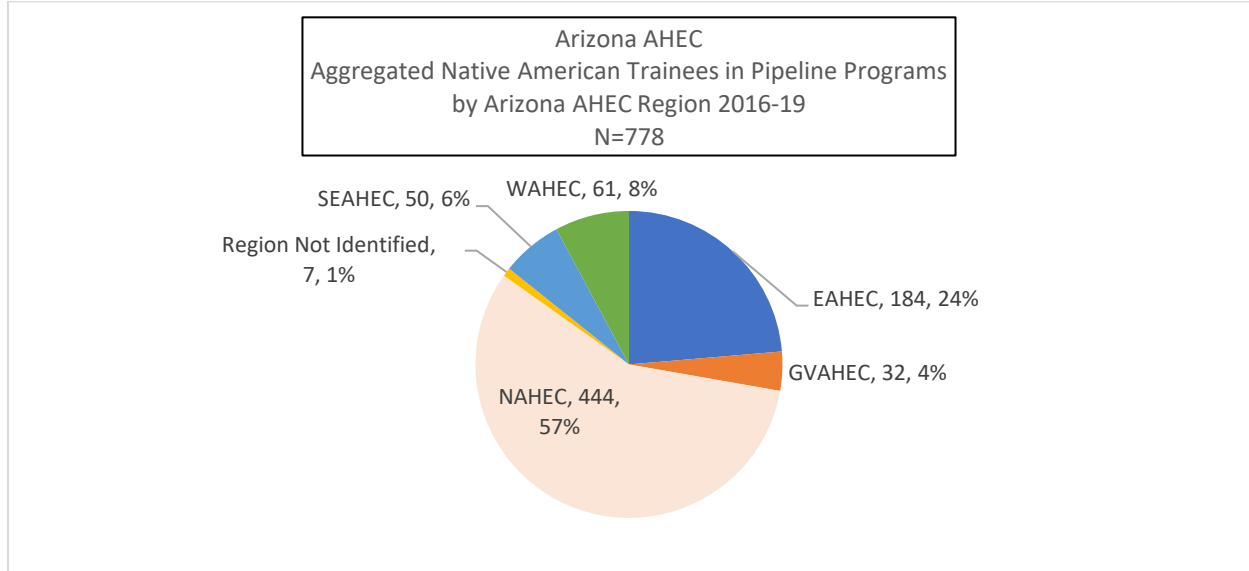
Pipeline Programs

Pipeline Programs are offered both through AzaAHEC Regional Centers (e.g. HOSA, Future Health Leaders) and through programs at the University of Arizona (e.g. Med-Start) which commonly build on Pipeline Program Trainees from Regional Centers.

A download of Pipeline Program data for fiscal years 2016-17, 2017-18, and 2018-19 was completed and analyzed. The following table identifies which Regional Center reported Native American Pipeline Program Trainees by fiscal year.

AzaAHEC Pipeline Programs				
Native American Participation by Region	2016-17	2017-18	2018-19	2016-19
EAHEC	148	32	4	184
GVAHEC	27	1	4	32
NAHEC	127	124	193	444
SEAHEC	16	15	19	50
WAHEC	17	22	22	61
Region Not Identified	3	0	4	7
Total Native American Pipeline Trainees	338	194	246	778
Total All AHEC Pipeline Trainees	1423	1245	1430	4098
% of Native American Pipeline Trainees to Total	23.8%	15.6%	17.2%	19.0%

The following chart identifies the aggregate number and percent of Pipeline Program Native American Trainees by Center for the three year period 2016-19.



Health Professions Programs

Health Profession Programs are offered through AzaAHEC Regional Centers and RHPP Programs at UA, ASU and NAU.

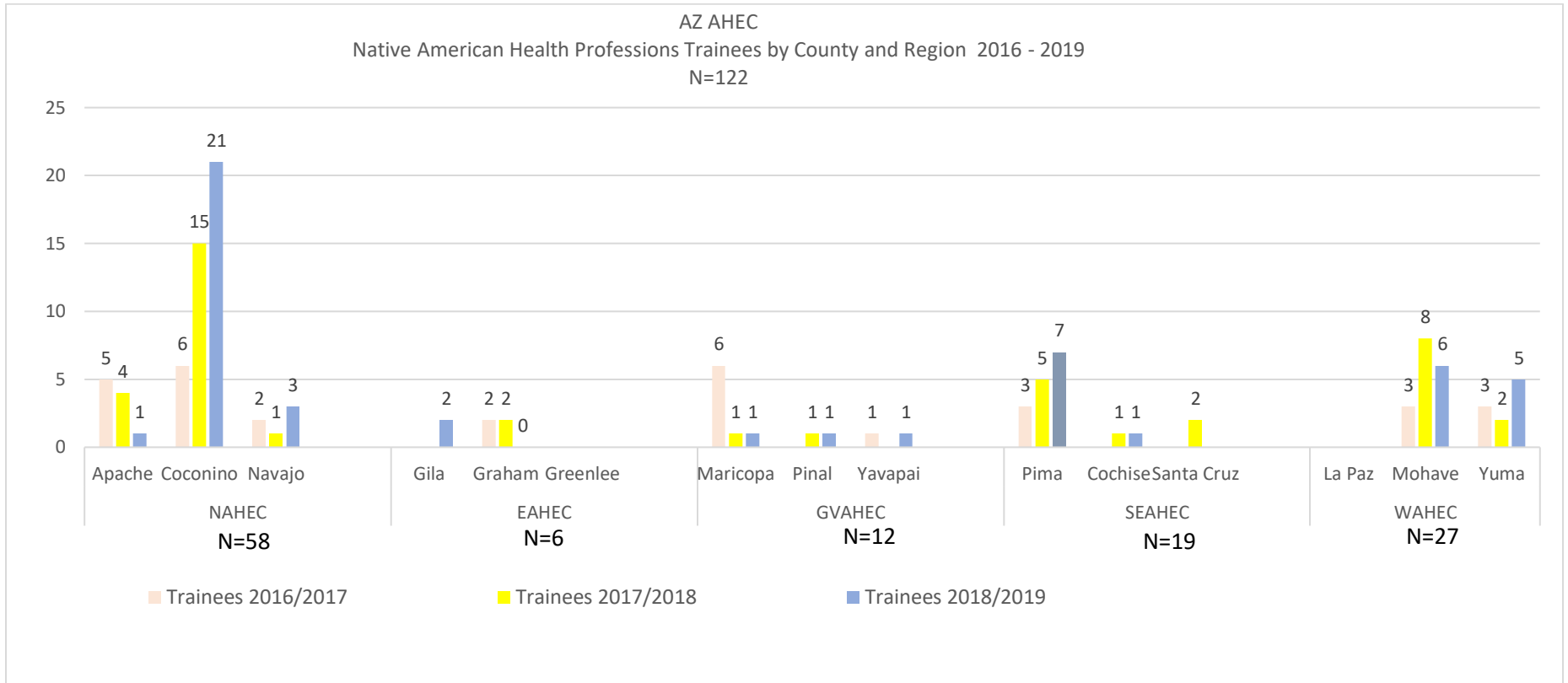
A download of Health Professions data for fiscal years 2016-17, 2017-18, and 2018-19 was completed and analyzed. The following table identifies all reported field experiences by fiscal year, inclusive of Native American Health Profession field experiences.

AzaAHEC Health Profession Field Experiences				
	<u>2016/2017</u>	<u>2017/2018</u>	<u>2018/2019</u>	TOTAL
Native American Field Experiences	43	68	68	179
Total All Field Experiences	1832	1881	2144	5857
% of Native American to Total	2.3%	3.6%	3.2%	3.1%

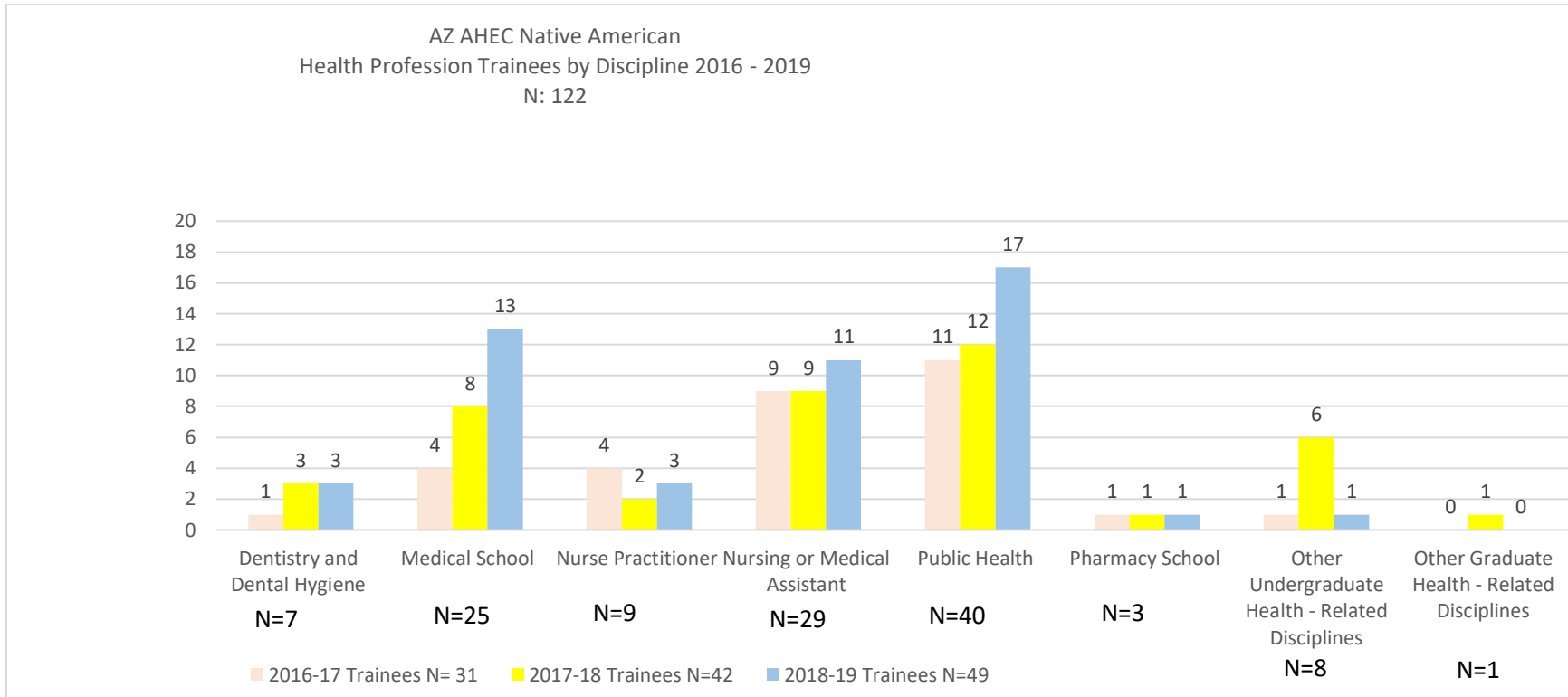
Health profession trainees may have multiple field experiences. The following table identifies all reported trainees and field experiences by Native American Health profession trainees in the Arizona county where the field experience occurred. This results in an average of 1.42 field experiences per trainee. Field experiences may be organized by regional centers or by RHPP programs. However, the regions and associated counties where the training experience occurred are reflected below for ease of reference.

AzaHEC Native American Trainee and Field Experiences by County and Region							
		Trainees	Field Experiences	Trainees	Field Experiences	Trainees	Field Experiences
Region	County	2016/2017	2016/2017	2017/2018	2017/2018	2018/2019	2018/2019
NAHEC	Apache	5	7	4	10	1	11
	Coconino	6	8	15	18	21	23
	Navajo	2	2	1	2	3	3
EAHEC	Gila	0	0	0	0	2	2
	Graham	2	4	2	2	0	0
	Greenlee	0	0	0	0	0	0
GVAHEC	Maricopa	6	8	1	4	1	3
	Pinal	0	0	1	1	1	1
	Yavapai	1	1	0	0	1	1
SEAHEC	Pima	3	4	5	12	7	10
	Cochise	0	0	1	3	1	2
	Santa Cruz	0	0	2	4	0	0
WAHEC	La Paz	0	0	0	0	0	0
	Mohave	3	3	8	8	6	6
	Yuma	3	6	2	4	5	6
	Total:	31	43	42	68	49	68

The following chart identifies the number of Native American Health Profession Trainees by county and region for the three years from 2016-19.



The following chart identifies the number of Native American Health Profession Trainees by discipline for the three years from 2016-19.





Native American Preceptor Site 2016-19 Organization Name	Number of Native American Field Experiences
Community Health Representative Program Navajao Nation	4
El Rio Community Health Center Pascua Yaqui Clinic	1
Gila River Health Care Hu Hu Kam Memorial Hospital	1
Hopi Health Care Center	0
IHS Chinle Comprehensive Health Care Facility	16
IHS Phoenix Indian Medical Center	1
IHS Salt River Clinic	0
IHS Winslow Indian Health Care Center	3
Komatke Health Center	0
Native Americans for Community Actions, Inc. (NACA)	0
NATIVE HEALTH Central	2
Parker Indian Health Center	0
San Carlos Apache Healthcare Corporation	0
San Xavier Health Center	3
Sells Indian Hospital	3
Tsehootsooi Medical Center	5
Tuba City Regional Health Care Corporation	6
Whiteriver Indian Health Service Hospital	2
Total Native American Field Experiences These Sites	47



ARIZONA AHEC PIPELINE PROGRAMS REPORTED BY REGIONAL CENTERS
FISCAL YEARS 2016-19

EAHEC

2016/2017 Payson HS HOSA
2016/2017 SCRUBS Camp-Globe
2016/2017 SCRUBS Camp-Payson
2016/2017 SCRUBS Camp-Thatcher
2016/2017-Bullock-Pathways into Health
2016/2017-Cunanan/Perez-Pathways into Health
2016/2017-Hunter/Mix-Pathways into Health
2016/2017-Jackson-Pathways into Health
2016/2017-Ordonez-Pathways into Health
2016/2017-Russell-Pathways into Health
2016/2017-Tower-Pathways into Health
2017/2018 Payson HS HOSA
2018 5th Grade Pathways Into Health-Summer Program
2018 SCRUBS Camp/Graham-Greenlee
2018 SCRUBS Camp-Globe
2018 SCRUBS Camp-Payson
2018/19 Scrubs Club Fairbanks Middle School
2018/2019 HOSA-Cobra Valley Institute Club
Summer 2018 Future Health Leaders - EAHEC

GVAHEC

2016/2017 - Bioscience High School
2016/2017 - Hoop of Learning - Chandler Gilbert Community College
2016/2017 - HOSA - (CAVIT)Central Arizona Valley Institute of Technology
2016/2017 - HOSA - Combs High School
2017/2018 - Bioscience High School
2017/2018 - HOSA - Combs High School
2017/2018 Falcon Med-Cactus Shadows
2018/2019 - HOSA - Red Mountain High School
2018/2019 HOSA - Combs High School
Summer 2018 Future Health Leaders – GVAHEC



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NAHEC

2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - BASIS Flagstaff
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Cromer Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - DeMiguel Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Flagstaff Junior Academy Bonito Campus
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Grand Canyon Elementary
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Haven Montessori School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Killip Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Kinsey Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Knoles Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - La Tierra Community School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Leupp Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Many Farms Public School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Marshall Magnet Elementary
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Montessori Charter School of Flagstaff Switzer
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Mountain School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Puente de Hozho
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Sedona Charter School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Thomas Elementary School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Washington Elementary
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - West Sedona Community School
2016/2017 - Girls on the Run - Williams Elementary/ Middle School
2016/2017 - Heart & Sole - Boys and Girls Club
2016/2017 - Heart & Sole - Desert Star Community School
2016/2017 - Heart & Sole - Sinagua Middle School
2016/2017 - Heart & Sole - Williams Elementary/ Middle School
2016/2017 CAVIAT Health Foundations Flagstaff
2016/2017 CAVIAT Health Foundations Fredonia
2016/2017 iCreate
2016/2017 IPHW Summer 2017
2016/2017-HOSA- Ganado High School
2016/2017-HOSA- Page High School
2016/2017-HOSA-Window Rock
2016/2017-Skills 4 Success-Mt. Elden Middle School
2017/2018 - Girls on the Run - BASIS Flagstaff
2017/2018 - Girls on the Run - BASIS Prescott
2017/2018 - Girls on the Run - Cromer Elementary School
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2017/2018 Tuba City Nursing Services
2017/2018 Window Rock High School HOSA
2017/2018 Yavapai County Community Health Service
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2018/2019 Ganado High School HOSA
2018/2019 Greyhills HS HOSA
2018/2019 HOSA-Window Rock High School
2018/2019 iCreate
2018/2019 Skills 4 Success
Summer 2018 Future Health Leaders - NAHEC
Summer 2018 Indigenous Pride Health Workers (IPHW)

SEAHEC

2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Baboquivari High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Bisbee High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Douglas High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Nogales High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Pueblo High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Tohono O'odham High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Willcox High School
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders PPEP TEC - Douglas
2016/2017 - Future Health Leaders - Ajo High School
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2018/2019-Young Leaders RISE
Summer 2018 Future Health Leaders - SEAHEC

WAHEC

2016/2017 - HOSA - Antelope Union High School
2016/2017 - HOSA - Kofa High School
2016/2017 - HOSA - Parker High School
2016/2017 - HOSA Kingman High School
2016/2017- HOSA - Lake Havasu High School
2016/2017- HOSA - San Luis High School
2017/2018 - HOSA - Kofa High School
2017/2018 HOSA- Parker High School
2017/2018-HOSA -Lake Havasu High School
2017/2018-HOSA-Cibola High School
2017-2018-HOSA-Antelope Union High School
2018/2019 - Nuestros Niños Summer Program
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