

Catawba Valley Medical Center Summary of Partnership July 1, 2017 – June 30, 2018

HEALTH CAREERS and WORKFORCE DIVERSITY

Grades 9-12—

- **Camp Med Catawba/ Alexander County** – Partnership: Catawba Valley Community College, Newton-Conover and Hickory City Schools, Frye Regional Medical Center and Northwest AHEC. Coordinated and hosted by Catawba Valley Community College where **24** students participated from **Catawba** County. Toured Valley-Sim Hospital and Frye Regional and Wake Forest Baptist Medical Centers. Northwest AHEC provides \$1,500 in support for each program and makes this offer each fall for the upcoming summer.
- **Camp Med Nursing Catawba County** – Partnership: Catawba County Schools, Catawba Valley Community College, Catawba Valley Medical Center and Northwest AHEC. Coordinated and hosted by Catawba Valley Medical Center where **16** students participated from **Catawba** County. Toured Catawba Valley and Wake Forest Baptist Medical Centers. Northwest AHEC provides \$1,500 in support for each program and makes this offer each fall for the upcoming summer.
- **Northwest AHEC Scholars Program** – College students are recruited from Wake Forest and Winston-Salem State Universities to participate in a 3-year program. The first two years consist of didactic and clinical components to enhance their opportunities after matriculation for health professions' graduate school or employment. The third year will be an opportunity for students to fully participate in an evaluative forum to provide feedback about the first two years and thereby, help to improve program quality for current/future students.
- Information about Northwest AHEC programs can be found by going to our website: <http://nwahec.org/site> or by contacting Ms. Melanee Mills at (336) 713-7714 or mgmills@WakeHealth.edu

STUDENT AND PRECEPTOR SUPPORT

Medical/Physician Assistant Students

- Many **medical** and **physician assistant students** rotate with local precepting physicians and accompany them to see patients where the physicians have practicing privileges.
- Overnight student accommodations are available if needed for all students.
- The Northwest AHEC Student and Preceptor Support provide administrative and financial support for these preceptors and students with their rotations in community settings.
- Some communities use these student rotation opportunities to develop relationships with the students for potential future placement upon degree completion. Physicians interested in becoming preceptors should contact Ms. Angela Hodges at (336) 713-7717 or ahodges@WakeHealth.edu

Health Science Student Rotations in Catawba County

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
# Students in rotation	52	38	40	26
# Students weeks	153	114	105	68

Student week: can be 1 student for 1 week; 4 student weeks can be 1 student for 4 weeks or 4 students for 1 week each, etc.

CONTINUING PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT ACTIVITIES AND SERVICES

- Northwest AHEC CPD activities are marketed to healthcare professionals of **Catawba Valley Medical Center**.
- More information about CPD activities can be found on our website: northwestahec.org or by contacting Ms. Marie Simos at (336) 713-7721 or msimos@WakeHealth.edu

Catawba Valley Medical Center Healthcare Professionals' CPD Activity

	2014-2015*	2015-2016*	2016-2017	2017-2018
# Unique registrants	0	0	794	544
# Registrations	0	0	2,147	2,078

*Prior to FY17, CVMC CME data were not entered into the NC AHEC statewide database.

- Catawba Valley Medical Center (CVMC) provided its own CME activities which are accredited by the North Carolina Medical Society (NCMS). However, these activities are supported by NW AHEC via staff funding to organize the activities at CVMC; therefore, they are listed in this partnership summary as well as in our annual reports.

Nursing Management Institute

- Nursing Management Institute (NMI) - an online management curriculum for new or aspiring nurse managers
- Created and offered by the Northwest AHEC in partnership with Greensboro AHEC
- Total program enrollment for **FY18** was **7** for the 12 modules
- FY18 is the last year for the NMI program, as it was phased out 12/13/17. There are now very similar programs available elsewhere which interested participants can easily access.

Community Health Partnerships

- Northwest AHEC's Community Health Partnerships program was initiated to enhance the work of health coalitions in our region and to link them with the resources of the NC AHEC system. Since 2000, we have co-sponsored, with the Regional NC DHHS Healthy Carolinians/Health Education Consultant, meetings of the Coalition Coordinators' Network (CCN), a networking and education venue for those involved with coalition work. Although state funding was eliminated for the county's Healthy Carolinians' consultant positions, many local counties used local or grant funds to continue; therefore, Northwest AHEC continued our support of the Northwest AHEC Coalition Coordinators' Network.
- This year we held an educational program on community responses to the opioid epidemic and plan to offer a program on diversity, bias, privilege and the social determinants of health. We also continued to utilize a listserv which was established for the CCN to facilitate networking and idea sharing.
- For more information about this service, go to our website: <http://nwahec.org/site> or contact Ms. Ellen Kesler at (336) 713-7712 or ekesler@WakeHealth.edu

UNC Chapel Hill RN Refresher Program

- Northwest AHEC offers the UNC Chapel Hill RN Refresher Program to nurses who want to reinstate their licenses or want to update their skills.
- Curriculum consists of a didactic component and a clinical practicum.
- Students engage in their clinical practicum at a variety of hospitals in the Northwest AHEC region.
- Most institutions providing clinical rotations for these students use the opportunity to recruit them for employment upon program completion and having earned their RN credentials. **Catawba Valley Medical Center** served as a clinical site for **two** RN Refresher students.
- Interested health care organizations should contact Ms. Kay Herr at (336) 713-7720 or kherr@WakeHealth.edu

UNC Chapel Hill RN Refresher Clinical Practicum Placements in Catawba County

	2014-2015	2015-2016	2016-2017	2017-2018
# RN Refresher students	4	2	5	2

PRACTICE SUPPORT SERVICES

- In FY18, Northwest AHEC Practice Support Services coached practices in a variety of quality improvement programs including, but not limited to, AHRQ Heart Health Now, Meaningful Use Stage 2, and NCQA Patient-Centered Medical Home transformation. The NWAHEC Practice Support Team coached a total of **117** practices throughout our seventeen-county region. **Twenty-nine** of these practices were in Catawba County.

Health Professionals Assisted by Northwest AHEC Practice Support in Catawba County	
Adult Internal Medicine, PA	Hart Family Practice PA
Allergy & Asthma Associates	Healthview
Cabral Internal Medicine PLLC	Hickory Chest PLLC
Carolina Foot & Ankle Associates	Michael C. DeSantis MD
Catawba Valley Healthcare	Newton Family Physicians, PA
Catawba Valley Primary Care	Palliative CareCenter & Hospice of Catawba Valley
Catawba Valley Psychiatric Services	Piedmont Endocrinology, PA
Catawba Women's Center, PA	Rudisill Family Practice

Cornerstone- Conover Family Practice	Swisher Internal Medicine
Crossroads Counseling Center, Inc.	The Child Health Center, PA
Crossroads Family Medical Care PA	Unifour Family Practice PLLC
Desantis Family Practice PLLC	Unifour Pediatrics, PA
Dr. Michael R. Sigmon	Viewmont Internal Medicine
Fairgrove Primary Health	
Family Healthcare Practice	
Gastroenterology Associates PA	

- For more information about how Northwest AHEC's Regional Extension Center can help you, contact Dr. Chris Jones at (336) 713-7039 or cjones@WakeHealth.edu or please go to <https://www.ncahec.net/practice-support/>

LIBRARY SERVICES

- Catawba Valley Medical Center is a member of NW AHEC Library Services.

	7/1/13-6/30/14	7/1/14-6/30/15	7/1/15-6/30/16	7/1/17-6/30/18
Document Delivery Request ¹	3,884	4,361	5,968	5,976
ADL ² Registered Users	396	638	825	736
ADL Users who logged into the ADL	169	322	151	83
Total Number of ADL logins	602	1,359	2,783	3,487
Number of Site Visits ³	6	5	5	12
Number of Search Requests	49	29	38	33
Number of Consults ⁴	1,710	1,903	3,302	2,486

1--Materials checked out from library collection; items from library collection which have been used and re-shelved; photocopies made by library staff from library collection; and documents borrowed from a library outside of the Northwest AHEC Library system.

2 -- AHEC Digital Library

3 -- Site visits are meetings with Northwest AHEC institutional members for education, administration, promotion or consult purposes which are located away from WFSM, Catawba Valley Medical Center, and Watauga Medical Center.

4 -- Consults include telephone, email or in person; include number of consultations to preceptor sites; categories of assistance can range from various types of technology assists to accreditation preparation, collection development, and training library contacts.

OR = orientation

EC = educational class

FY18 Search Request Details

- Total of **33** requests with the following topics/categories:

Topic	Type
Hashimoto Disease and urticaria	Patient Care
biostatistics	Research
Diagnosis & Current treatment for meralgia paresthetica	Research
Relationship between hyperthyroidism and meralgia paraesthetica	Research
Novel Anticoagulant Agents	Research
Inventory Turn Ratio	Research
Intensivist staffing in ICU	Patient Care
home cpap resp tx	Patient Care
Aromatherapy and Neonates	Patient Care
c diff	Patient Care
Contact Precautions MRSA or VRE	Research
Non-Steroidal Anti-inflammatory post-op pain in laminectomy patients	Patient Care
Patient Discharge	Research
Best Practices Supply Chain Management	Research
steroids and acute pneumonia	Patient Care
lung ca review	Patient Care
MRSA VRE Huskins verif	Research
Dashiell Earp isolation interns verif	Research
Mehrota et al problems w care verif	Research
Edmond co discontinuation identify	Research
HADS scores Day et al identify	Research
Catalano HAM-D scores and isolation identify	Research

Acute Care Best Practices	Patient Care
Delays in Treatment	Patient Care
NSAIDS for Laminectomy	Patient Care
Mobility Tool from John Hopkins	Patient Care
Best Practices in Ambulatory Care	Patient Care
Early Mobility	Patient Care
Mobilization with Ed Psy Patients	Patient Care
Pulmonary physicians, Hospitalists, and Intensivists	Research
antibiotic tx c dif	Patient Care
crystalloids vs ns pneum	Patient Care
px sepsis w oral care	Patient Care

- Information about these services can be found at the Northwest AHEC website: <http://nwahec.org/site> or by contacting Ms. Karen Martinez at (828) 326-3482 or martinez@wakehealth.edu.