



Pathway to Med School Physician Volunteer Opportunities

Pathway to Med School is a program offered
to pre-med students in Georgia by
Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

Overview

Thank you for your interest in the Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC) Pathway to Med School program.

There are a variety of ways for physicians to volunteer to support the Pathway to Med School program.

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Quick Facts

- Hosted by Foothills Area Health Education Center (AHEC)
- 4-5 week program
 - For students interested in primary care
 - Emphasis on rural and underserved areas
- 8 undergraduate students accepted to participate
- Components:
 - Direct Instruction (40 hours)
 - Physician Supervised Clinical Research (60+ hours)
 - Clinical Shadowing (80 hours)
 - Mentoring (by current medical students)



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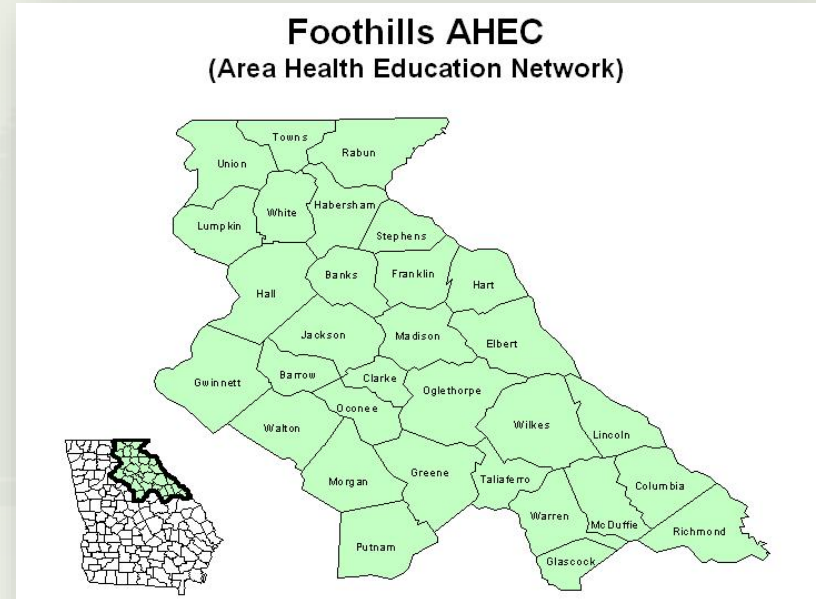
Eligible Students

To be considered for selection, applicants must meet the following criteria:

- Rising sophomore (undergrad) or higher
 - completed pre-med courses documented on transcript
- Minimum 3.0 GPA in math/science courses
- Minimum 3.0 GPA overall
- Legal GA resident and US citizen
- Completed online application and essay by deadline
- Submitted official transcript by deadline
- Have reliable transportation throughout the program
- Not have a concurrent application for the SOWEGA AHEC Pathway to Med School program

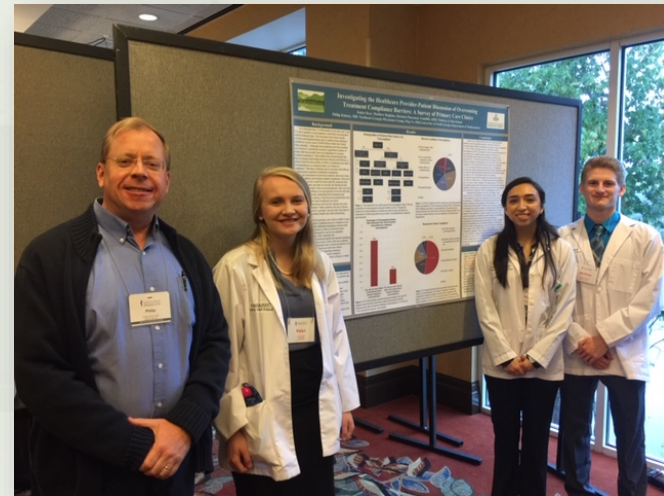
Preference will be given to students from Foothills AHEC's 31-county service region

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Physician Volunteer Opportunity: Supervise a Research Project

- Supervise a group research project
 - 2-3 students
 - Involvement in data collection preferred
 - Students present at program Graduation & GAFP research poster presentation the following fall



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Physician Volunteer Opportunity: Teach an Instructional Session

- Deliver a direct instruction session
 - Approximately 1-2 hours
 - Topics may include
 - Primary care
 - Rural health
 - Medically underserved areas/populations
 - MCAT prep
 - Med school applications, essays, interviews
 - Med school admissions and financial aid



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Physician Volunteer Opportunity: Host Students for Shadowing

- Host students for clinical shadowing
 - 1 student at a time
 - flexible scheduling—host as many or as few days as you are able to
 - Experiences are meant to give a ‘day in the life’ perspective of practicing primary care in northeast Georgia —*including non-clinical responsibilities*
 - If possible, we ask that physicians commit to hosting a student two days in a week during weeks they would like to have shadows

Keep in mind that Pathway participants do not have medical training—therefore hosting them is much less rigorous compared to accepting a medical student or resident.

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Expectations of Students

- Students are expected to comply with the following during all program engagements:
 - Arrive on time
 - Dress professionally (business casual), wear program lab coat & name tag
 - Ask questions at appropriate times
 - Shadow physician during non-clinical responsibilities (meetings, etc.)

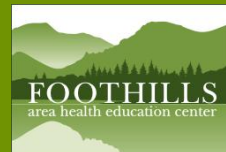
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www.foothillsahec.org/contact

using the subject line

Pathway Physician Volunteer

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