South Central Montana Area Health Education Center (AHEC)

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South Central Counties: Lewis & Clark, Powell, Granite, Deer Lodge, Silver Bow, Beaverhead, Madison, Jefferson, Broadwater, Gallatin, Park

Updates

- Heads Up – Behavioral Health Careers Camp
  - Introduces students to careers in behavioral health and gives them tools to use immediately in their communities (YMHFA, QPR Training)
  - Hosting camp in Dillon March 16th – 17th in partnership with UM Western
  - Partnering with Shodair, OPI and East Helena superintendent to host program in East Helena early summer
  - Looking at statewide option for future camps
  - Inaugural camp was hosted in Anaconda last fall

- MedStart Camp
  - MedStart Matters – tracked SC students from 2010-2016 to provide statistical data
  - Butte camp hosted at Montana Tech - July 23rd – 27th
  - Partnering again with Montana Tech / Highlands College for main instruction and with St. James Healthcare for job shadows. Also looking to partner with local EMS, SW Community Health Center, Big Sky Senior Living and other local professionals

- R.E.A.C.H Camps (Research and Explore Awesome Careers in Healthcare)
  - REACH Camps will be hosted in the SC region during the spring
  - Arranging camps in Butte, Townsend and Livingston

- University of Washington Dental Rotations
  - Signed new MOU with University of Washington School of Dentistry
  - SC to assist in placement and housing for 6 rotations per year
  - 3 SLR (Student Learning Rotation) and 3 RUOP (Rural Underserved Opportunities Program)
  - 2 students completed rotations in January and February
  - Visiting UW in April to present to dental students on recruitment and loan repayment opportunities in Montana

- School Activities
  - Provided classroom presentations to students in Gardiner, Sheridan, Harrison and Whitehall
  - Attended Butte HS Career Fair – Attending West Yellowstone/Lone Peak Career Fair
  - Hosted Healthcare Day at MHA with Clancy students
  - Distributed 2017 AHEC Scholarship Guide

- Additional Projects:
  - Meet & Greet Dinner at MHA Fall Convention – Wednesday, September 20
  - New website launched – http://www.scmtahec.org/
  - Follow us on Social Media
    - Facebook - @SCMTAHEC
    - Instagram - @sc_mt_ahec

*Connecting students to healthcare careers, professionals to communities, and communities to better health.*