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**WEST VIRGINIA  
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**Dedicated to providing  
training  
of health professional faculty,  
students and practitioners  
in the  
diagnosis, treatment and  
prevention of disease,  
disability and other health  
problems related to our  
elderly.**

*“Sure I’m for helping the elderly. I’m going to  
be old myself some day.”  
Quote from Lillian Carter, in her 80’s*

## OUR MISSION

The WVGEC's mission is to improve the health and well-being of older West Virginians, especially in rural areas, by creating a sustainable interdisciplinary program of geriatric education for health profession students, faculty and practitioners from medicine, nursing, dentistry, pharmacy, social work and allied health disciplines.

*Improving the health and wellbeing  
of older West Virginians...*



## STATUTORY PURPOSES

- Improve the training of health professionals in geriatrics;
- Develop and disseminate curricula relating to the treatment of the health problems of elderly individuals;
- Support the training and retraining of faculty to provide instruction in geriatrics;
- Support the continuing education of health professionals who provide geriatric care;
- Provide students with clinical training in geriatrics in various settings such as: nursing homes, chronic and acute disease hospitals, ambulatory care centers and senior centers.

## Partners:

- Eastern West Virginia Rural Health Consortium
- Gorge Connection
- Kanawha Valley Health Consortium
- Marshall University School of Medicine
- Northern West Virginia Rural Health Education Center
- South Eastern Health Consortium
- West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine
- West Virginia University School of Medicine
- Winding Roads Health Consortium

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