

## AHEC OBJECTIVES

1. Introduce health profession careers and/or academic enhancement to K-16 students with an emphasis on high school schools from a minority population or underserved area.
2. Provide health professions students and residents with clinical experiences in community-based settings, with an emphasis on rural and underserved settings.
3. Promote the optimal use of the healthcare workforce and improve quality of care delivered through inter-professional collaboration.
4. Strengthen the existing healthcare workforce in rural and underserved areas and support the retention of community-based health professionals.

## MISSION STATEMENT

Improve the health of our communities by developing an interdisciplinary workforce prepared to address the health needs of rural and underserved communities of West Virginia.

- WV AHEC provides education and training for:
    - 3rd and 4th Year Medical Students, Primary Care Residents, Nurses, and Physician Assistants
    - Professional and Para-professional disciplines:  
Dentistry, Dental Hygiene, Dietetics, Pharmacy, Clinical Psychology, and Physical and Occupational Therapy
  - WV AHEC addresses disparities in rural health and encourages cooperation between the community and the providers of rural health care
- WV AHEC infrastructure consists of:
- 5 Regional Centers
  - 456 Training Sites, 112 of which are located in HPSAs and MUAs or serve primarily underserved populations
  - 743 rural field faculty

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**Central Counties  
Area Health Education Center  
(CCAHEC)**

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**Center Director  
Amber Crist, MS, CHES**

**Geographic Area — 4 Counties**  
Kanawha, Jackson, Roane, Clay  
Main Office — Dawes, WV

**Eastern  
Area Health Education Center  
(EAHEC)**

Phone: (304) 596-6306

**Executive Director  
Aaron Henry**

**Interim Associate Director  
Morgan Wright**

**Geographic Area — 9 Counties**  
Berkeley, Mineral, Grant, Morgan,  
Pendleton, Hardy, Tucker, Jefferson,  
Hampshire

Main Office — Martinsburg, WV

**Southern WV  
Area Health Education Center  
(SWVAHEC)**

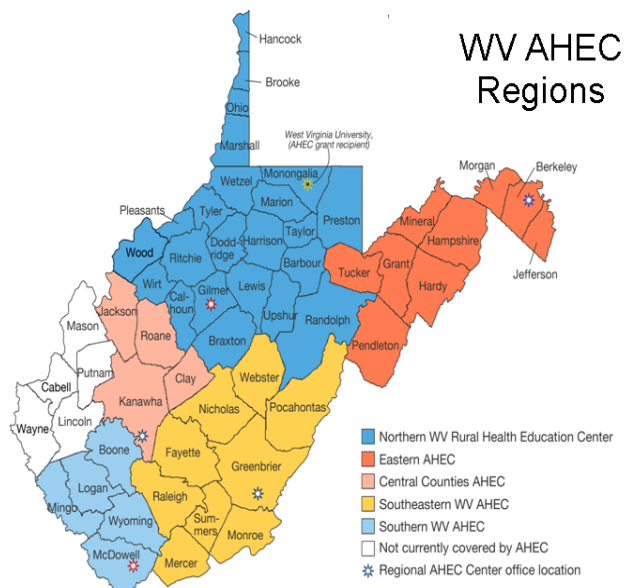
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**Center Director  
Parr Thacker**

**Geographic Area — 5 Counties**  
Boone, McDowell, Mingo,  
Logan, Wyoming

Main Office — Gary, WV

**WV AHEC has five regional AHEC Centers  
(Central, Eastern, Southern, Southeastern and  
Northern). Each Center works with local  
communities, preceptors and faculty to develop  
unique contributions and expertise  
in community-based health professions  
training in West Virginia.**



**Rural Rotations and Housing**

If you are interested in a rural rotation in one of these regions, the housing coordinators can assist you with your housing needs.

**Central Counties and Southeastern AHEC**  
Donna Bush (304) 465-2389

**Eastern AHEC**  
Malinda Turner (304) 257-5812

**Northern WV Rural Health Education Center**  
Sonnie Strader (304) 471-2200

**Southern WV AHEC**  
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**Southeastern  
Area Health Education Center  
(SEAHEC)**

Phone: (304) 793-6867

**Angela Alston  
Center Director**

**Geographic Area — 9 Counties**  
Fayette, Pocahontas, Greenbrier, Raleigh,  
Mercer, Summers, Monroe,  
Webster, Nicholas

Main Office — Lewisburg, WV

**Northern WV  
Rural Health Education Center  
(NWRHEC)**

Phone: (304) 462-6261

**Center Director  
Lew Holloway, MS, CHES**

**Geographic Area — 23 Counties**  
Barbour, Ohio, Braxton, Pleasants,  
Brooke, Preston, Calhoun, Randolph,  
Doddridge, Ritchie, Gilmer, Taylor,  
Hancock, Tyler, Harrison, Upshur, Lewis,  
Wetzel, Marion, Wirt, Marshall, Wood,  
Monongalia

Main Office — Glenville, WV

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