

Health Occupations for Today and Tomorrow (HOTT) is a K-12 health career awareness curriculum. HOTT is a web-based tool with lesson plans, activities, resources etc. designed to increase students' knowledge of health careers.

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In 2007, the Department of Health established the South Dakota Healthcare Workforce Center. The purpose of the Center is to function as a clearinghouse for healthcare workforce-related data and information. The Center is also designed to develop and implement programs and projects that assist individuals, agencies and organizations in their efforts to address current and projected workforce needs.

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Scrubs Camps are free, one-day, hands-on health career camps for high school students. South Dakota students have the opportunity to experience a wide variety of health careers through hands-on activities and discussions with healthcare providers.

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Camp Med is a free, one-day, hands-on health career educational opportunity for middle school students. Students have the opportunity to experience a wide variety of health careers through hands-on activities and discussions with healthcare providers.

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The South Dakota Healthcare Workforce Center recently completed the 2011 South Dakota Healthcare Workforce Report. Data from a variety of sources was collected and analyzed for inclusion in this report.

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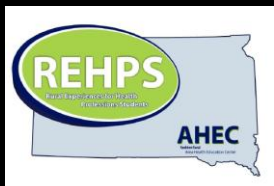
The Office of Rural Health administers a variety of programs to assist communities in recruiting health care professionals such as: the Physician Tuition Reimbursement Program; the Dentist Tuition Reimbursement Program; the Midlevel Tuition Reimbursement Program; and the Health Professional Recruitment Incentive Program.

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The Community Healthcare-workforce Allies through Mentoring, Partnering and Solutions (CHAMPS) program establishes a contact person in healthcare facilities in SD to assist the Healthcare Workforce Center in promoting health careers to students and community leaders.

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The Yankton Rural Area Health Education Center (YRAHEC) administers Rural Experiences for Health Professions Students (REHPS) which gives first and second year medical, physician assistant, pharmacy and certified nurse practitioner students a four week experience in a rural setting. The goal of REHPS is to increase the number of medical professionals who practice in rural and frontier communities in South Dakota.

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