# SCI AHEC NEWSLETTER

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THE SUMMER SCOOP!

 -Michael Edwards, Center Director medwards@hoosieruplands.org

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### **MEET MACKENZIE**



Hi! My name is Mackenzie Colston. I am a senior Social Work major at IU Bloomington. I was raised and currently live in Bloomington, IN. I am currently working on my bachelor's degree from IU and plan to also attend IU to obtain a master's degree in social work. I believe

in the mission of Hoosier Uplands and jumped at the opportunity to intern here for the summer. Hoosier Upland's mission aligns with my personal values and I am excited to work here. I am looking forward to learn, grow, and develop skills that will help me in the future. I am ready to contribute in a meaningful way. When I am not at work I enjoy spending time with my pet, my family and friends, and doing physical activity.

## **HEAT FLASH**



SCI AHEC nominated the Mitchell High School Counseling Department (MHSCD) for the "Partnership Matters" Award. This award is presented to community partners that provide outstanding opportunities for success to local AHEC programs. The MHSCD collaboratively to transcend boundaries and leverage scarce resources to effectively build the workforce pipeline of next generation Hoosier health professionals. Mr. Chastain and Waldbieser are consistently supportive of new activities and programs

that SCI AHEC has for the students. Thank you MHSCD for your contributions!

Congratulations to our 2021 Cohort for successfully completing the AHEC Scholars program! Not pictured: Meredith Laderer, Bachelor of Nursing-IU Bloomington



**Chandler Boys** Master of Social Work **IU** Bloomington



Alexandria Crawford Bachelor of Nursing IU East



Kendra Flint Bachelor of Nursing IU East



Jill Popp Associate of Science & Nursing Ivy Tech



MSN, FNP-C USI

Tessa Ray

Dr. Andrew Morton is a family medicine physician affiliated with Baptist Health Medical Group in Corydon, IN. The SCI AHEC chose to nominate Dr. Morton for the "Outstanding Preceptor"

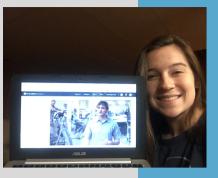
Award. This award is presented to preceptors that have made significant contributions to Indiana AHEC's clinical experiences program. For the 2020-2021 academic year, Dr. Morton precepted 40% of all medical students placed in Southern Indiana for their 3rd year Family Medicine Clerkship. Serving as a preceptor for students adds even more responsibilities to a physician's already busy schedule; however, Dr. Morton continued teaching students throughout the COVID-19

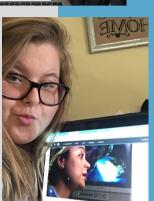


pandemic. As a preceptor and IUSM alum, Dr. Morton adds immeasurable value to the hands-on experiences provided to students and helps to progress the AHEC mission of expanding the healthcare workforce in underserved and rural communities. Thank you, Dr. Morton!

## THE DEEP DIVE

### **Pipeline Activities - Virtual Job Shadowing**





For the 2020-2021 academic school year, SCI AHEC partnered with Mitchell, Bedford North Lawrence, Shoals, & Orleans High Schools to implement a program allowing students to explore careers, build resumes, learn about salaries, and education required for specific careers. Overall, 318 students were able to participate in the Virtual Job Shadowing (VJS) program to help enhance their knowledge about colleges, careers, or trade schools after high school. The VJS program was implemented into lesson plans for each class. Classes that utilized the program included: College & Career Readiness, Health Science, Medical Terminology, and Orleans' Internship Class. With an increase in virtual learning this past academic year due to COVID-19, the VJS program proved effective in providing students unique engagement opportunities.

- *Emily Webb, Academic Success Coordinator* ewebb@hoosieruplands.org

#### **Clinical Placements**

Alexandra Muhlbach, Clinical Education Coordinator

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In partnership with the Indiana University School of Medicine, SCI AHEC assists the school in coordinating the Family Medicine Clerkships for students placed in the South Central region. Below are some of the students who spent time in the region over this past quarter.

#### **Elaine Colomb-**



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Elaine is interested in pursuing surgery and is specifically looking into Otolaryngology (ENT) as a specialty. Throughout college, she volunteered with various mental health services which sparked her interest in pursuing medical school. During Elaine's time in the South Central region, she has learned just how broad Family Medicine is since it covers medical care "from womb to tomb". plans to leverage experience and exposure from her time during this clerkship to be successful in the rest of her medical program.



Jourdan Carroll

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Jourdan is currently interested in pursuing Neurology as a specialty, but is also keeping an open mind throughout her upcoming rotations. She chose to pursue medicine because of her love for the sciences, desire to work and build relationships with people, and to be a health care provider that they trust. During Jourdan's time in South Central Indiana, the importance preventative care and thorough history taking to treat patients was reaffirmed for her. She has really enjoyed focusing on family medicine the past several weeks and is now seriously considering it as a field she may pursue.

### **Scholars Program - Apply Now!**

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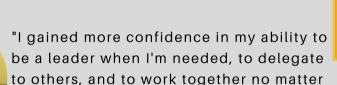
AHEC Scholars is designed specifically for applicants who have a strong interest in providing care to rural and medically underserved communities across Indiana as a health professional. The program offers online learning and community-based experiences designed to give health profession students a deeper understanding of rural and urban health care, caring for underserved populations, and the importance of practice transformation.

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#### **Eligibility Requirements**

- Must be available to participate for two years and complete 40 hours of online learning units and 40 hours of team-based community experiences per year.
- Must be in the final two years of an accredited health professions program. (Two-year degree programs are eligible to apply.)
- Must be able to provide the necessary paperwork to receive the annual stipend of \$750 that supports participation.

which role we have. As a nurse, I will be a leader by educating my patients in every opportunity that comes my way." - *Jill Popp, SCI AHEC Scholar 2019 - 2021* 

# THE LOCAL BUZZ

Parent Cafés

Fair
July 10-17, 2021

Every 3rd Thursday
&
#WOWTalk Cafés
Every 4th Thursday

Lawrence County
Safe Night
September 11, 2021

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