



**Northern West Virginia
Rural Health Education Center**
Dedicated to Community Health

Region 2

Calhoun, Doddridge, Gilmer, Pleasants, Ritchie, Tyler, Wirt and Wood

Quarterly Report
April – June 2010

Current Students

**WVU Nursing
Students**

Ashley Abshire
Rachel Fulton
Stacey Valentine

WVU-C NP Students

Sheena Geer
Terri Ranson

**WVU Physical
Therapy Students**

Ashlee Small

WVU Dental Students

Kathleen Rowley
Jennifer Wolfe

**Mt. State University
PA Students**

Devon Somerville
Sara Noland

On April 7, 2010, all 4 regions of NWRHEC attended a meeting at Wheeling Jesuit University to learn more about the CYBERSURGEONS Program and were invited to sit in on a mission.

CyberSurgeons is an intense and immersive learning experience that engages students in a live simulation to quickly diagnose and treat unusual medical cases. During their mission students become part of an emergency medical team on a National Institutes of Health mercy ship traveling up the Amazon River. The mission is designed to address 21st century learning skills. Students prepare for the mission using a series of pre-mission lesson plans that address standards related to biology, anatomy, physiology or human health.

The CyberSurgeons program is an authentic way for high school and college students to apply science human body systems and the disease process.

The mission is conducted through a web/videoconference hookup from the classroom to the Challenger Learning Center at Wheeling Jesuit University in Wheeling, WV. For more information please visit www.cybersurgeons.net.

** Information was taken from the CyberSurgeon's brochure.*

Region 2 will be bringing the CyberSurgeon program to Wirt and Pleasants Counties for the 2010-2011 school years.

**CYBER
SURGEONS**



Region 2 student receives SEARCH Grant

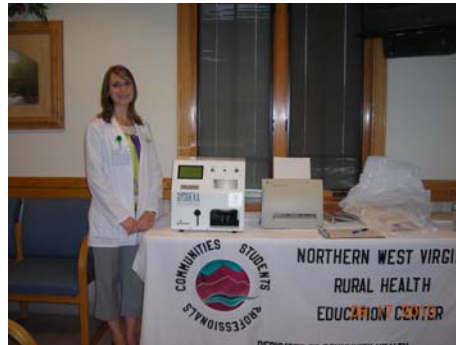
Congratulations to Sara Noland

Sara Noland was approved for the SEARCH Program. SEARCH stands for **S**tudent/**R**esident **E**xperiences **A**nd **R**otations In **C**ommunity **H**ealth. West Virginia SEARCH provides opportunities for health care professions students and residents to participate in multidisciplinary health care teams serving in underserved communities. A component part of this statewide program awards stipends to medical, dental and other health professions trainees who demonstrate strong potential for future practice in rural, underserved areas of West Virginia.

Sara will be working in Wirt County to complete the SEARCH Program components. She participated in the 5K Students Walk/Run on June 1st. This walk was organized by Wirt County Middle School teacher, Louann McVey and her class. It was to help raise money for a new walking trail around the Primary/Middle school. At this event, Sara used the Derma Scan to show participants the damage the sun can do to your skin.

In her essay submitted for approval for the SEARCH Program, Sara stated that osteoporosis screening is "important because as the elderly population becomes larger so does the population of people who develop osteoporosis. As a physician assistant I will be seeing patients with this osteoporosis on a regular basis, so being proficient at diagnosing and instituting proper management of the disorder is needed." Sara completed the Osteoporosis screenings on Friday, June 11th and Thursday, June 17th at Coplin Clinic, where she was able to screen 47 participants. WAY TO GO SARA!

Wirt County – 5k Walk/Run and Dexa Scan Screenings



Region 2 was awarded a mini grant through Higher Education Policy Commission (HEPC). The grant is working with high school students in Calhoun County to have them do shadowing at Minnie Hamilton Health System. The name of the grant is Moving Onward and Upward.

Marshall University Visits Minnie Hamilton Health System

JoAnn Raines, Assistant Dean of Academic Affairs, Marshall University School of Medicine, met with Dr. Hande, Dr. Morales, Dr. Suresh, Dr. Steger, Brady Whipkey, Assistant to the Director of MHHS, and Anna Reno, Region 2 Coordinator of NWRHEC on May 18, 2010. They discussed how Marshall could help in training the students to be more prepared and what MU could do for the doctors. The discussions included the doctor's expressing a desire to work with medical residents. CEU as well as the doctors wanting more feedback about what the students thought of the rotations was also discussed. The doctors also expressed a desire to have more students come to their location. JoAnn will take all the information back to the school and share with the staff there. Lunch was provided for the group by Minnie Hamilton Health System.

**Region 2 Board
Meeting
June 7, 2010
6:00 P.M.
Ritchie County
Board of
Education Office**



JoAnn Raines, Dr. Hande, Dr. Morales, Dr. Steger and Dr. Suresh

Staffing Changes in Glenville Office

We would like to take this opportunity to bid farewell to Terri Lilly, Community Outreach/Office Assistant and Amanda Fisher, Office Manager/Program Specialist. Terri's last day was May 21st and Amanda is leaving us July 2nd. While it is sad to see them go, we wish them luck in any future endeavor. These girls will be missed!

We would also like to welcome Donna Steigleder to the team as the new Community Outreach/Office Assistant. Donna worked with LKARHEP approximately 13 years ago as the AmeriCorps member assigned to the Calhoun Office where she worked with Anna Reno in the same capacity. Welcome aboard Donna!

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Student Comments about Rural Rotation

Dental Hygienist – *"My preceptor was very helpful and always available to answer questions and offer helpful advice."*

Physician Assistant – *"My preceptor was very attentive to my questions and challenged me to look up things that were more in depth than what I had learned."*

Next Region 2 Board Meeting will be Monday, September 27, 2010. There is a change in date due to the holiday.