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STATEWIDE PROGRAM

CHANGES IN AHEC LEADERSHIP ACROSS THE STATE



Alabama Statewide AHEC Director, Mike Faircloth, MD, Retires

It is with mixed emotions that we share news of Dr. Mike Faircloth's upcoming retirement. As we are excited for his next adventure, we are disappointed to lose Dr. Faircloth in the Program Office. As an Associate Professor, he leaves behind a lasting legacy of excellence and through his leadership of AHEC he significantly advanced healthcare education and community connections across the state.

In addition to his role as UAB Student Health Medical and Lab Director, Dr. Faircloth led AHEC through COVID, the grant renewal, and most recently the HRSA site visit. His dedication to AHEC predates his role as the statewide director as he served on the Southern Alabama AHEC Board of Directors for many years before moving to the coordinating role in the Program Office. Dr. Faircloth's last day with us will be February 1. Please join us in congratulating Dr. Faircloth on his well-deserved retirement!

Rebecca A. Reamey, PhD, will be stepping into the role of Interim Director at the Alabama Statewide AHEC Program Office, following the retirement of Dr. Mike Faircloth. As we embark on the search for a new permanent director, we are confident that Dr. Reamey's leadership will ensure a smooth transition and continued success for the Alabama Statewide AHEC Program.

Joe Crozier of North Alabama AHEC Retires



Announcing the retirement of Joe Crozier, who has served as the Executive Director of North Alabama Area Health Education Center (AHEC) since January 2017, accumulating 7 years of dedicated leadership. Joe's unwavering commitment has played a crucial role in advancing healthcare education and fostering community connections in North Alabama. As he concludes this chapter, we extend heartfelt congratulations to Joe Crozier for his remarkable contributions and express our gratitude for seven years of exemplary service. Best wishes to Joe as he embarks on a well-deserved retirement.

Lamont Dupree as the new Executive Director of North Alabama AHEC



Following Joe Crozier's retirement, we are pleased to share that Lamont Dupree, the current Associate Director with eight years of dedicated service, will step into the role of Executive Director. Lamont's wealth of experience and commitment positions him perfectly to continue the impactful work of the North Alabama Area Health Education Center. We look forward to his continued leadership and success in this new role!

Learning Opportunities

2024 Alabama Primary Care Summit

When: Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 8:30 AM to 4 PM CST

Where: 808 20th St S, Birmingham, AL 35205
Hilton Birmingham Downtown at UAB

About This Event

Join us this Thursday! The Alabama Statewide AHEC will be hosting the 2024 Alabama Primary Care Summit on January 25, 2024, at UAB Hilton in Birmingham, AL, 8:30 am to 4 pm. We will be focusing on “Recruiting, Training, and Retaining the Healthcare Workforce”. We look forward to advancing Alabama’s healthcare with you!

AHEC Scholars are encouraged to join us!

To learn more about sponsoring the 2024 Alabama Primary Care Summit, visit alahec.org/pcs



Registration

AHEC Scholars Webinar

2024 Primary Care Summit Recap

When: Friday January 26, 2024 12 PM - 1 PM CST
Where: Zoom

About This Event

As part of our monthly AHEC Scholars Webinar Series, January's insightful session will provide a comprehensive review of knowledge acquired during the Primary Care Summit held the day before. This unique opportunity allows participating students to share their first-hand experiences and insights, shedding light on the current state of primary care in Alabama. Gain valuable perspectives on the steps needed to enhance patient care as these scholars discuss actionable strategies for improvement.



JANUARY AHEC SCHOLARS WEBINAR

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26th January, 2024
12:00 – 1:00pm

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Missouri AHEC Scholars Webinar

Trauma-informed Care and Human Trafficking

When: Tuesday, February 13, 2024 6:00-7:30 p.m.
CT

Where: Zoom

About This Event

Join Missouri AHEC for a webinar on Trauma-Informed Care and Human Trafficking with Dr. Lauren Mays, an expert in the field. As Assistant Professor at UAB School of Nursing and Clinic Director at The WellHouse, she brings a unique perspective on the impact of past traumas on health outcomes. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from a distinguished professional actively involved in addressing the needs of survivors.



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SPEAKER
Lauren Mays, DNP, CRNP, FNP-BC

Dr. Lauren Mays is Assistant Professor and Co-Coordinator of the Family Nurse Practitioner Specialty Track at the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB) School of Nursing. She also serves as the UAB Clinic Director at The WellHouse, a long-term residential facility for female victims of sex trafficking, where she provides trauma-informed primary care.

Mays is an expert in trauma-informed care and social determinants of health and incorporates both throughout her teaching and practice. Her perspective of trauma-informed care will provide a unique lens to the AHEC Scholars—bringing to light the impact experiences of past traumas have on health outcomes.

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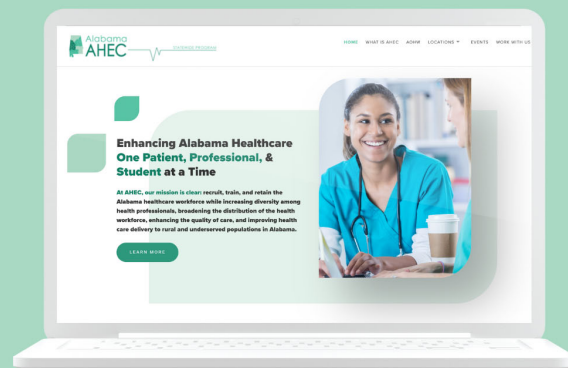
In response to overwhelming feedback from past AHEC 101 participants, the NAO Education Committee has put together the Inaugural AHEC 201 Webinar Series which will launch on January 24, 2024.

The AHEC 201 Series is designed to provide a deeper dive into AHEC topics. The topics were selected after review of AHEC 101 evaluations submitted over the course of the past 3 years. The series will feature nationally renowned speakers, internal NAO experts, and recorded sessions. The 10-session series includes access to all session recordings at the low cost of \$150 per participant.

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The Alabama Statewide Area Health Education Center is dedicated to recruiting, training, and retaining the Alabama healthcare workforce while increasing diversity among health professionals, broadening the distribution of the health workforce, enhancing the quality of care, and improving health care delivery to rural and underserved populations in Alabama.

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