



Program Dates July 6 - August 17

Audience: Disadvantaged Middle School Students grades 7-8 and High School Students grades 9-12 that are interested in the Health Professions.

Funding: Michigan State University, College of Human Medicine, Health Careers Opportunity Program, Division of Disadvantaged Assistance, HRSA, PHS, DHHS, Federal Grant No. 5-D18HP10616.

Objectives: The academy utilizes a problem based learning curriculum designed to enrich the participant's skills in math, science and language arts. This academy focuses upon: strengthening and enhancing the participant's academic performance, interest in the health professions and developing their cultural competence. The academy also provides personal and career development to participants. The participants receive college admissions and financial aid information about applying for college. The academy provides prep-work for standardize test. Each grade level is responsible for identifying, researching then presenting a health related project to educate the Lansing Community about a particular disease or health issue. These projects also include information on health care disparities.

Description: The Health Professions Summer Scholar Academy (HPSSA) is a pipeline program designed to provide exposure to the health careers, academic enrichment activities and educational services for students who are interested in careers in medicine and other health professions.

Impacts: To enrich, strengthen the academic base for 7-12 disadvantage students in science, math and language and standardized test taking each year of the project. Students will exhibit measured successful progression and continued enrollment in college preparatory science and math courses. Have approximately 50 % of the students enroll in a pre-health professions curriculum at the undergraduate level after graduation from high school.

Additional Significant Information:

- **Program Period** – Six Week program usually between July-August
- **Program Hours** – 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m., Monday - Friday
- **Program Location** –MSU campus.
- **Cost** – There is no charge for the program. Education materials are provided by the academy.
- **Transportation** – will be supplied by the academy for up to three Lansing locations.
- Parents are responsible for student lunches.

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