

Building Pathways to a Brighter Future

Community College of Allegheny County

Pathway to Success in Healthcare

Location: Pittsburgh, PA

OTHER GRANT INFORMATION

Five Year Project Period: September 30, 2015 - September 29, 2020

Annual Award Amount: \$2,625,119

Type of Organization: Public/State Controlled Institution of Higher Education

Service Area: Allegheny County of Pennsylvania

Target Population: TANF recipients and other low-income individuals

FIVE-YEAR QUANTIFIABLE PROJECTIONS

Number of individuals that will be enrolled in the overall HPOG program: 2,300

Number of TANF recipients that will be enrolled: 1,005

Number of individual participants that will begin basic skills education: 2,190

Number of individual participants that will complete basic skills education: 1,752

Number of participants that will begin any healthcare occupational training: 1,860

Number of participants that will complete any healthcare occupational training: 1,583

Number of individual participants that will obtain employment in a healthcare occupation: 1,108

ABSTRACT

The Community College of Allegheny County's (CCAC) Health Professions Opportunity: Pathway to Success in Healthcare (PSH) program will provide education and training in three healthcare tracks: Nursing, Emergency Medicine, and Medical Records/Health Information Technology (HIT). These pathways are designed as a career lattice that will allow program participants to enter, exit, and re-enter at each level outlined for each pathway. The project will target Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) recipients and low-income individuals (those with incomes at or below 70 percent of the poverty level in Allegheny County). The PSH Program will enable students to successfully complete each training level by providing them with a package of wraparound services that can address multiple issues (academic, financial, and personal) that can impede their successful completion of college. Among the available supportive services include case management, academic supports, career services, child care, tuition assistance, and transportation assistance. The goal of the project will be to prepare, support, retain, and graduate 1,860 TANF recipients and low-income students from health occupational programs that lead to employment in health professions. Specifically, occupational training will be provided for the following: Medical Insurance Specialist, Paramedic, Health Information Technology, Medical Assistant, and Nursing. CCAC will partner with the Three Rivers Workforce Investment Board (3RWIB), Pennsylvania CareerLink, Greater Pittsburgh Literacy Council (GPLC), Garfield Jubilee, Southwest PA Area Health Education Center (AHEC), Angels' Place, Human Services Center Corporation-Mon Valley Providers, University of Pittsburgh Medical Center (UPMC), Allegheny Health Network (AHN), Allegheny County EMS, and local 4-year universities to implement this program.