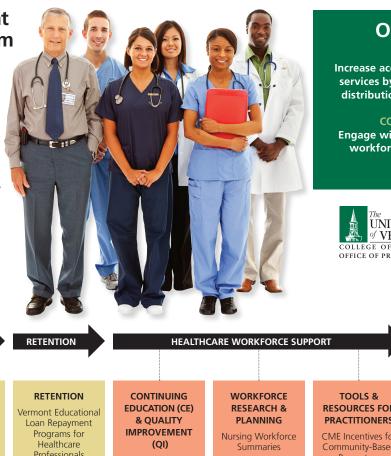
## UVM Office of Primary Care and the Vermont Area Health Education Centers (AHEC) Program

Encouraged by the State Legislature, UVM established the Office of Primary Care (OPC) in 1993 to focus the College of Medicine's commitment to primary care and community outreach in Vermont. OPC is actively involved in enhancing networks of community-based faculty, in strengthening teaching and research programs, and in preparing the workforce for the future.

The OPC was awarded federal funding to establish a statewide AHEC program in 1996. Current regional centers include: Northern Vermont AHEC in St. Johnsbury and Southern Vermont AHEC in Springfield, each a non-profit organization. Together, the Vermont AHEC Network is increasing the supply, geographic distribution, and education of Vermont's healthcare workforce, and providing a link between UVM's health professions training programs and Vermont's communities. The Vermont AHEC Network is a true academic-community partnership.

In FY16, the UVM OPC and VT AHEC Network provided 3,997 Vermont youth with health care careers experiences, worked with 171 providers precepting health professions students, delivered continuing education to 2,966 health care professionals, and placed 18 physicians in Vermont communities.



# **Overarching Aims**

### HEALTHCARE WORKFORCE

Increase access to primary and preventive health services by promoting an adequate supply and distribution of the Vermont health workforce.

#### **COMMUNITY HEALTH SYSTEMS**

Engage with and respond to community health workforce development needs in Vermont.

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