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**UAMS Northwest Regional Campus Accepting Applications  
for Spring and Summer Health Careers Program**

FAYETTEVILLE — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences (UAMS) Northwest Regional Campus is accepting applications from students who will be entering eighth, ninth or 10th grades and are interested in exploring careers in health care for its one-week intensive Community Health Applied in Medical Public Service (CHAMPS) programs.

UAMS Northwest Regional Campus in Fayetteville will host a CHAMPS program during spring break, March 19-23, 2018, and a second session June 4-8, 2018.

During the CHAMPS program, students will participate in hands-on activities including dissection, casting/suturing, CPR training and more. Students visit with health professionals in family and internal medicine, nursing, pharmacology, laboratory sciences, physical/occupational therapy, respiratory therapy, radiology, radiation therapy, kinesiology, and ophthalmology to learn more about these professions. Additionally, students will visit Northwest Arkansas Community College, the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville and John Brown University to learn about college entrance requirements, support programs and the various pathways to a medical education and a health care career.

There is no cost for students accepted to the program. The deadline for applications is Feb. 16, 2018, for the spring break program and May 11, 2018, for the summer program.

Applications for the 2018 CHAMPS programs may be picked up in a junior or senior high school counselor's office or at the UAMS Northwest Regional Campus, 1125 N. College Ave., in Fayetteville. Online applications and more information about the program are available at <http://regionalprograms.uams.edu/regional-centers/uams-northwest/recruitment/champs> or [www.arkansashealthcareers.com](http://www.arkansashealthcareers.com).

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For questions about the program, contact Ana Sanchez, UAMS Northwest pre-health professions recruiter, at (479) 684-5177 or [apsanchez@uams.edu](mailto:apsanchez@uams.edu).

The CHAMPS program has been made possible thanks to support from a partnership that includes Arkansas Blue Cross and Blue Shield, Arkansas Farm Bureau, the Oral Health Department of the Arkansas Department of Health, the UAMS Rural Hospital Program, and UAMS Regional Programs.

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; northwest Arkansas regional campus; statewide network of regional centers; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Myeloma Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging and Translational Research Institute. It is the only adult Level 1 trauma center in the state. UAMS has 2,834 students, 822 medical residents and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses throughout the state, Arkansas Children's Hospital, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit [www.uams.edu](http://www.uams.edu) or [www.uamshealth.com](http://www.uamshealth.com). Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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