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### **Cobleskill Regional Hospital Supports Schoharie Scrub Club**

Through a grant applied for by **Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center (AHEC)**, Schoharie Scrub Club received funding from Cobleskill Regional Hospital to support its monthly afterschool sessions at the Schoharie VoTech Center.

The Scrub Club program was created and developed by Catskill Hudson AHEC and is designed to help high school students build solid futures by introducing them to a broad array of healthcare careers through interactive programs, hands-on activities, and meaningful field trips. There are currently eight area high schools instilling Scrub Club into their curriculum. The Schoharie Scrub Club is a collaboration between Cobleskill-Richmondville High School, Middleburgh High School, Schoharie High School and the Schoharie VoTech Center.

“We are pleased to support the Schoharie Scrub Club. It is an excellent opportunity to introduce Schoharie County students to various healthcare occupations” stated Deb Dolan, Regional Marketing and Community Engagement Manager of the Bassett Healthcare Network. “We are confident that this program will make an impact on the students of this community by sparking personal growth, professional development, and a viable career path. As healthcare is the fastest growing industry in New York State, programs like the Scrub Club are a solid investment toward building the future of our healthcare workforce” continued Ms. Dolan.

“Not only has Schoharie Scrub Club developed into a pioneering collaboration between three area high schools, but it has also been a tremendous community effort as well” stated Kathryn Reed, Executive Director of Catskill Hudson AHEC. “In addition to the funding provided by Cobleskill Regional Hospital, the Schoharie Scrub Club has also received funding from Fenimore Asset Management and additional funding is anticipated through other grants applied for by Catskill Hudson AHEC” added Mrs. Reed.

Catskill Hudson AHEC is a non-profit organization whose mission is to address regional healthcare workforce shortages through education and collaborative community relationships to assist students, career seekers, and health professions. For additional information on Scrub Club, please visit [www.CHAHEC.org/programs](http://www.CHAHEC.org/programs) or call our office at (845) 883-7260.

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