

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## **Hudson Scrub Club Tours Columbia Memorial Hospital**

As part of the Scrub Club curriculum, 12 Hudson High School Scrub Club students embarked on an educational field trip to Columbia Memorial Hospital on February 26, 2015. The students quickly became absorbed in learning about the various departments of the hospital they had the opportunity to tour, and all aspects of the medical field they became familiar with during the tour. It was not only an educational experience for the students, but it also provided a first-hand, real-life introduction to the health careers available to them as future careers.

"The students were amazing and loved the experience. I am very proud!" stated Nancy Zincio, Health Teacher & Scrub Club Instructor, Hudson High School. "I am also thankful to my colleagues and community representatives who assisted in this event and made this possible. Thank you." continued Nancy.

Columbia Memorial Hospital, a stout educational partner of Scrub Club, readily afforded the students this invaluable opportunity. "We look forward to our continued collaboration with the students in the Hudson School District. The students are a great team." Stated Mary Daggett, Director of Community Health Service and Grants, Columbia Memorial Hospital.

This field trip, as well as other opportunities that Scrub Club has offered the Hudson High School Scrub Club students are, in great deal, attributed to the support and funding of the Hudson Community Schools Initiative, Taconic Foundation, Inc., and Hudson Bluehawk Nation Afterschool Program.

Hudson High School is one of 11 area high schools, BOCES, and community-based, at-risk youth programs to implement Scrub Club, which was developed by Catskill Hudson AHEC to introduce high school students to various health occupations as future career options through hands-on activities and meaningful field trips.

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 <a href="https://www.CHAHEC.org/programs">www.CHAHEC.org/programs</a>.



Hudson Scrub Club Students