



## NEWS RELEASE

### Foundation for Community Health Funds “Scrubs Club” for Housatonic Valley Regional High School

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In their unwavering support, The Foundation for Community Health has awarded a grant of \$950.00 to Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center (AHEC) to enable the students of the Housatonic Valley Regional High School in Connecticut to benefit from the Scrubs Club after-school healthcare careers program. To date, The Foundation for Community Health has also awarded grants to support the Scrubs Club program at Webutuck and Taconic Hills High Schools, as well as being instrumental in initiating the program at Dover High School.

“We are looking forward to integrating this program in our district and helping students to consider pathways in the health field,” stated Dr. Pam Vogel, Assistant Superintendent.

Scrubs Club is a complete and highly adaptable turnkey program that enables high school students to experience, first-hand, the real-life roles, responsibilities, and rewards of serving in the healthcare field by “test driving” various occupations through the program’s engaging and relatable lesson plans, hands-on activities, thoughtful exercises, and meaningful field trips. Scrubs Club was conceptualized and developed by Catskill Hudson AHEC in collaboration with the Foundation for Community Health to encourage students to consider a health occupation as a future career choice, inspiring them to complete their high school education and continue to post-secondary studies or vocational training in the health field.



“We are looking forward to working with Housatonic Valley Regional High School to enrich the Scrubs Club experience,” said Tricia Harrity, Executive Director of the Northwestern Connecticut Area Health Education Center who assisted in the placement of the program.

The Foundation for Community Health invests in people, programs, and strategies that work to improve the health of the residents of the northern Litchfield Hills and the Greater Harlem Valley.

Catskill Hudson AHEC is a 501c3 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 professionals. For additional information on programs and services, please contact the staff at Catskill Hudson AHEC at (845) 883-7260 or visit their website at [www.chahec.org](http://www.chahec.org). For more information about Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center, please visit [www.chahec.org](http://www.chahec.org) or call 883-7260.

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