

University of Nebraska Medical Center students will be participating in rotations with health professionals across Nebraska as part of their health care education. Grant High School graduate, Russell Swan will do a rotation with the Ogallala Medical Group from May 2 to June 24.

The rotations are part of the UNMC Rural Health Education Network (RHEN), an innovative program developed to help address the shortage of health professionals in rural Nebraska.

The RHEN program was developed to expose students to a rural health setting with the idea that if students receive their training in a rural area, the chances are greater they may consider returning to a rural area once they complete their training.

Nebraska's Area Health Education Centers support students during UNMC rural rotations by integrating them into the community during their rotation.

AHECs are community-based programs that work with community and academic partners to address the health care work force needs of medically underserved communities through a variety of activities such as continuing education for providers, pipeline development for K-12 students, and other community-oriented programs.