

## Abstracts Details

### SEARCH

<b>SEARCH Program</b>	Oregon SEARCH
<b>Contractor Organization Type</b>	Primary Care Association
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<b>Website</b>	<a href="http://www.orpca.org">www.orpca.org</a>
<b>Project Service Focus</b>	Urban/Rural
<b>Length of Rotation</b>	4- 6 weeks
<b>Disciplines eligible for rotation</b>	MD/DO, PA/NP (NP learners will need an Oregon RN license)
<b>Project Infrastructure Focus</b>	Training
<b>Products and Dissemination</b>	Education of Providers for future community health center practice
<b>Stipend/Living Cost</b>	Y – travel, living and housing stipend (depends on student location)
<b>General Description of Your Program</b>	<p>OPCA's comprehensive SEARCH program will encompass three types of learners who will benefit from the program. First, 25 Rebecca Landau SEARCH learners, named in honor of Rebecca Landau, Oregon's founding SEARCH Program Director and advocate for access to healthcare for all Oregonians. The Oregon SEARCH program began eight years ago as the brain-child of Rebecca, and the program framework reflects her dedication to the mission of Oregon's health centers and safety net providers, cultivation of relationships and commitment to creating rewarding learning experiences for health professionals in training. These Rebecca Landau SEARCH learners will be local and national learners demonstrating a strong commitment to community service, health care, and service to rural and underserved people. Once accepted, these scholars will be provided with a SEARCH scholarship to complete 4-6 week rotations in safety net clinics serving vulnerable populations in urban and rural areas, identified throughout the State of Oregon. The scholarships will include housing, travel and a living expenses stipend.</p>

<b>Goals and Objectives</b>	<b>Overall goal for the Oregon SEARCH Program is to improve the quality and quantity of care provided for underserved populations by providing opportunities for health professionals in training to collaborate with community based providers and systems of care so that they will chose to continue working with these populations after completion of their educations. This goal compliments OPCA's broader goals and activities, which focuses on significantly increasing the number of people with access to health care services and eliminating health disparities. We will accomplish this goal through our objective of providing exposure to community health center practices to over 170 learners locally and nationally through SEARCH clinical experiences.</b>
<b>Activities undertaken by Students/Residents in Program</b>	Oregon SEARCH learners will be paired with preceptors who have been prepared (through preceptor training) to provide high quality clinical experiences for the learners. Learners will have the opportunity to do provide medical services to patients in a supervised environment. Learners will be evaluated and allowed to practice at the level of their ability. Each learner will be expected to complete a community based project. The project focused is determined by the learner and clinic site.
<b>Coordination</b>	All student placements will occur throughout the year and are depending on the successful applicant's schedule and availability of an appropriate site. All learners are expected to live in the community and to work full time on a schedule determined by designated lead preceptor for that learner. A list of clinics is posted on our website ( <a href="http://www.orpca.org">www.orpca.org</a> ) to allow learners to state placement preferences as part of their application process. Each clinic has unique characteristics and provides a variety of services based on patient and community needs.
<b>List of Sites Students can/will be rotating through</b>	Clinic sites can be found on our website ( <a href="http://www.orpca.org/learn-about-opca/oregons-community-health-centers">http://www.orpca.org/learn-about-opca/oregons-community-health-centers</a> ) we are also interested in adding additional sites and will work with learners doing rotations at other sites in Oregon provided they meet certain criteria.
<b>Evaluation</b>	Learners will be evaluated by their assigned preceptor at the conclusion of their rotation experience. Learners are also required to complete an evaluation based on their SEARCH rotation experience.
<b>Are you a former SEARCH Program</b>	Yes