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**UAMS to Host Virtual Health Career Event
for High School Students**

LITTLE ROCK — The University of Arkansas for Medical Sciences' (UAMS) Division for Diversity, Equity and Inclusion will host a virtual R.E.A.C.H. (Raising Exposure and Awareness of Careers in Health) event on Saturday, Nov. 13, for high school students who are interested in getting into health careers once they graduate.

The R.E.A.C.H. event is an annual project initiated by the Edith Irby Jones Student National Medical Association chapter at UAMS.

In the past, UAMS students would visit different high schools in the Delta region, but due to COVID-19, this year's event will be held on Zoom from 8 a.m. to noon on Nov. 13.

Although they won't get to interact with students in person this year, event organizers say the virtual event will allow them to reach more students from multiple high schools at one time.

The event will feature speakers from the colleges of Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing, Public Health and Health Professions. High school students will be able to join breakout sessions, ask questions related to their career preferences, participate in Kahoot pop-quizzes and win gift cards.

To register for the virtual event and be sent a Zoom link, [click here](#).

UAMS is the state's only health sciences university, with colleges of Medicine, Nursing, Pharmacy, Health Professions and Public Health; a graduate school; hospital; a main campus in Little Rock; a Northwest Arkansas regional campus in Fayetteville; a statewide network of regional campuses; and seven institutes: the Winthrop P. Rockefeller Cancer Institute, Jackson T. Stephens Spine & Neurosciences Institute, Harvey & Bernice Jones Eye Institute, Psychiatric Research Institute, Donald W. Reynolds Institute on Aging, Translational Research Institute and Institute for Digital Health & Innovation. UAMS includes UAMS Health, a statewide health system that encompasses all of UAMS' clinical enterprise including its hospital, regional clinics and clinics it operates or staffs in cooperation with other providers. UAMS is the only adult

Level 1 trauma center in the state. *U.S. News & World Report* recognized UAMS Medical Center as a Best Hospital for 2021-22; ranked its ear, nose and throat program among the top 50 nationwide for the third year; and named five areas as high performing — colon cancer surgery, diabetes, hip replacement, knee replacement and stroke. *Forbes* magazine ranked UAMS as seventh in the nation on its Best Employers for Diversity list. UAMS also ranked in the top 30% nationwide on *Forbes*' Best Employers for Women list and was the only Arkansas employer included. UAMS has 2,876 students, 898 medical residents and six dental residents. It is the state's largest public employer with more than 10,000 employees, including 1,200 physicians who provide care to patients at UAMS, its regional campuses, Arkansas Children's, the VA Medical Center and Baptist Health. Visit www.uams.edu or www.uamshealth.com. Find us on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#), [YouTube](#) or [Instagram](#).

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