ACU
ASSOCIATION OF CLINICIANS FOR THE UNDERSERVED

WHO WE ARE

The Association of Clinicians for the Underserved is a uniquely transdisciplinary membership network uniting clinicians, advocates, and organizations in the shared mission to improve the health of America's underserved populations and to support the clinicians serving them.

Founded in 1996 by participants of the National Health Service Corps, we are the leading voice of advocacy for the NHSC. Our members include diverse organizations such as Federally Qualified Health Centers, primary care associations, free clinics, and health departments spread across the U.S., as well as clinicians from 18 professional disciplines.

OUR COLLECTIVE COMMUNITY INCLUDES

10,000+

Organizations
Health Centers, PCAs, State Primary Care Offices, & Free Clinics

Individual Members
Healthcare Providers, Students, & Academics

Advocates
for Health Equity and the National Health Service Corps

WHAT WE DO

The ACU works to achieve health equity for the underserved through professional education, training and technical assistance, clinical tools, and more. A few examples of our recent programs to improve care for the underserved include:

THE STAR² CENTER

Our Solutions, Training, and Assistance for Recruitment and Retention (STAR²) Center works closely with the Bureau of Primary Health Care to help build and sustain a robust health center workforce through resources, trainings, and technical assistance for health centers, PCAs, and HCCNs.

STAR²CENTER
SOLUTIONS TRAINING AND ASSISTANCE
FOR RECRUITMENT & RETENTION

SUICIDE SAFER CARE

A groundbreaking curriculum training primary care providers and their teams in evidence-based strategies to prevent suicide in primary care, reaching 1,000+ providers in 2020 alone.

VISION SERVICES

An initiative to improve eye and vision health for the underserved through mobile vision screenings and grants for health centers. Since 2017, we've provided 3,500 screenings, with 80% receiving Rx glasses or readers.

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WHAT WE DO

In addition to our growing programs, we also train thousands of clinicians each year in our virtual and in-person annual conferences and webinars.

ANNUAL ACU CONFERENCE

The ACU unites hundreds of clinicians and advocates working to improve care for the underserved at our Annual Conference in the heart of D.C.

These singular events allow attendees to learn and network with national experts, speakers, and advocates; honor excellence; and advocate—all while learning cutting-edge, trandisciplinary practices in care for the underserved.

WEBINARS & TRAININGS

We regularly provide free webinars with national experts. In 2020, we reached thousands of attendees with our policy series, workforce trainings, and more.

50+

Standalone Webinars
COVID-19, policy, and other webinars.

Workforce Trainings
STAR² Center webinars exploring PCA & HCCN workforces, COVID-19, and more.

WHAT OUR ADVOCACY & POLICY WORK INCLUDES

A VOICE FOR THE NHSC...

Founded by NHSC alumni, we are the nation's leading advocate for the National Health Service Corps, spearheading the effort to secure funding and protect this vital program through our ongoing campaign to *Strengthen the NHSC.*

... AND FOR THE UNDERSERVED

We're also working everyday to lift the voices of our patients and clinicians on Capitol Hill. We advocate tirelessly to make the U.S. health care system more inclusive, responsive, and accessible to **all**.

WHAT WE OFFER YOU

When you join the ACU, you'll gain access not only to a trandisciplinary community of health professionals and advocates, but also crucial benefits such as:

• A voice speaking up for frontline clinicians, their communities, and the NHSC
• Purchasing discounts via membership in the Commonwealth Purchasing Group
• Reduced registration fees on all of our trainings and conferences
• Full access to the *Journal of Health Care for the Poor and Underserved*
• Premier access to our Career Center, emerging online ACU Community, & other exclusive content

GET STARTED

Join us now at members.clinicians.org
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