

## Michigan SEARCH Program Vision and Mission Statements

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### **Vision:**

Primary health care needs throughout Michigan will be fully met by a multi-disciplinary primary health care workforce sustained by a pipeline of primary health care professionals educated in an environment with:

- Strong linkages between communities and health professional training programs,
- Collaboration among health professional training programs (within and across disciplines), and
- Opportunities for all students to experience primary care service delivery in an underserved community as part of a culturally competent, multidisciplinary health care team.

### **Mission:**

The Michigan Student/Resident Experiences and Rotations in Community Health (M-SEARCH) will:

- Enable students and residents to experience meaningful clinical rotations on multidisciplinary health care teams in underserved communities across the state,
- Contribute to improved provider recruitment and retention for health care facilities in underserved areas, and
- Establish a web-based student clinical rotation matching system that provides high quality, multi-disciplinary training experiences in underserved areas.

### **To accomplish this mission, the M-SEARCH program will:**

- Increase clinical rotation opportunities for students at primary care clinical practice sites in underserved areas.
- Develop and support clinical placement sites for health professional students at health care facilities in underserved areas.
- Provide training, academic linkages, and peer support for preceptors.
- Offer incentives to students to encourage their participation in rotations at primary care clinical practice sites in underserved areas and completion of community projects.
- Provide students with an optimal clinical rotation experience, thereby attracting premiere students and leading edge clinical practice sites.
- Support the development of culturally competent, community focused primary health care students through participation in a community project.
- Upon completion of M-SEARCH placement, encourage students and practice sites/preceptors to remain in contact throughout the student's professional training to assist in their respective job search and recruitment efforts.
- Promote the availability of the National Health Service Corps and State Loan Repayment Programs.
- Monitor student and practice site evaluations to drive continuous program improvement.
- Expand statewide partnerships to meet the diverse primary care needs of the underserved.