Health for All, In Our Community

Improving the health of western Pennsylvanians is not only in the best interest of our communities and the region, it is the mission of Allegheny Health Network. We are proud to be part of the communities we serve, and are committed to making the lives of our patients, staff and friends better through the work we do. Health for All means supporting our local schools and educational programs. We invite you to take a look at some of the ways we are engaged in the communities we serve. We invite you to reach out to us for any educational needs you may have at communityaffairs@AHN.org.
Two hours a day.

Students receive an hourly wage and work alongside regular staff and complete assigned work experiences. Students are assigned to a department from Start on Success (SOS):
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