

UNMC, College of Public Health
Applied Practice Experience (APEX) Opportunities

Partner organization name: Nebraska Department of Health and Human Services (NE DHHS)
Office of Rural Health

(For more information, log into UNMC's Handshake platform and search for job #8806018)

Partner organization website: <https://dhhs.ne.gov/Pages/Rural-Health.aspx>

Partner organization brief description: The Office of Rural Health's mission is to define and promote the development of a healthcare system that assures the availability and accessibility of quality healthcare services to meet the needs of people living in rural Nebraska. Programs and activities are designed to assist rural Nebraskans get high quality health care through: recruitment and retention, hospital maintenance, community planning, health care networks and cooperative ventures, identifying community leaders, developing leadership skills, and having an information clearinghouse.

Partner organization's point of contact name and email:

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Description of partner organization's priority opportunities (APEX activities):

- Update J-1 Visa Waiver Report
 - <https://dhhs.ne.gov/RH%20Documents/Nebraska%20J1%20Visa%20Waiver%20Program%20Summary.pdf> [dhhs.ne.gov]
 - Experience with maps and pivot tables, if possible. The report is in need of a content update and suggestions to enhance the report.
- Health Needs Assessment –
 - Looking for student support to complete a health needs assessment, looking at current and projected rural health provider needs in Nebraska. This would be an immersive experience working closely with the administrators of this survey. Prior experience with health needs assessment is a plus, but not required.
- July 2024 NOSORH Conference Planning and Attendance –
 - July 2024 is the regional NOSORH conference in Omaha. Conference activities include content creation, such as welcome video is created featuring facts about Nebraska

Timeframe of proposed activities: May through July, 2024

Additional Information (format of preferred engagement-virtual, hybrid, in-person; partner organization's location): **Hybrid/remote opportunities available.**

*Note—An affiliation agreement will be required prior to student engagement