### EARLY ASSURANCE PROGRAMS

### Rural Health Opportunities Program (RHOP)

The Rural Health Opportunities Program (RHOP) is a cooperative venture of the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC), Chadron State College (CSC), Peru State College (PSC) and Wayne State College (WSC). RHOP was designed for rural Nebraska high school students, interested in returning to rural areas to practice pharmacy, and who intend to apply for admission to CSC, PSC or WSC as pre-pharmacy majors. Through the RHOP program, students obtain early assurance for admission into the pharmacy program contingent upon satisfactory completion of the pre-pharmacy program at CSC, PSC or WSC. Students must meet minimum GPA requirements in accordance with individual school policy. In addition, students admitted through RHOP must participate in the special clerkship program for rural students during their final professional year. Students will be chosen based on academic potential (including SAT or ACT scores), commitment to practicing in rural Nebraska, county or city of residence (rural communities of less than 10,000), pharmacy exposure, extra-curricular activities and interviews with faculty at CSC, PSC or WSC and UNMC's College of Pharmacy. Students interested in this program should talk with their high school career counselor or contact copadmin@unmc.edu

#### **Kearney Health Opportunities Program** (KHOP)

The Kearney Health Opportunities Program (KHOP) is a cooperative program between the University of Nebraska at Kearney (UNK) and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). The purpose of the program is to recruit and educate students from rural Nebraska who are committed to returning to rural Nebraska to practice healthcare. This program represents a commitment and dedication to the education of Nebraskans and quality health care for citizens of the state. Selection criteria and procedures are the same as those for RHOP.

### **Resident Pharmacy Practice Educational** Initiative (RPPEI)

Students attending public and private institutions located in Nebraska who have a stated commitment to staying in Nebraska to practice pharmacy are encouraged to apply for the RPPEI early assurance program. Students must have completed at least the first semester of their undergraduate pre-pharmacy curriculum, maintained a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5, and obtained three letters of recommendation, including one from their pre-pharmacy advisor. Accepted students must maintain the program academic standards. Further information may be obtained by writing to copadmin@unmc.edu

# Hastings Pharmacy Early Assurance Program

The Hastings Pharmacy Early Assurance Program is a cooperative program between the Hastings College and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). High school seniors interested in pharmacy, planning to attend Hastings College are encouraged to apply. A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 is required, as well as three letters of recommendation. Accepted students must maintain the program academic standards. Further information may be obtained by writing to copadmin@unmc.edu

# Doane Pharmacy Early Assurance Program

The Doane Pharmacy Early Assurance Program is a cooperative program between the Doane University and the University of Nebraska Medical Center (UNMC). High school seniors interested in pharmacy, planning to attend Doane University are encouraged to apply. A minimum cumulative GPA of 3.5 is required, as well as three letters of recommendation. Accepted students must maintain the program academic standards. Further information may be obtained by writing to copadmin@unmc.edu