

A strategic partnership to promote health, wellness, access, equity and career growth

Hartford HealthCare (HHC) and Quinnipiac University (QU) announced a unique, university-wide strategic partnership focused on building the healthcare workforce of tomorrow and growing student pipelines across a wide range of industries that will address long-term talent needs for the state and beyond. The two organizations' collaboration centers around **three core areas: redefining healthcare education, providing our university community with high-quality, coordinated health and wellness services, and developing and growing the state's workforce.** Hartford HealthCare will make an investment in QU and the future of the state's healthcare workforce through a \$5 million philanthropic commitment to the university over five years.

1. Workforce Development and Growing Student Pipelines with Priority Hiring

ALL Quinnipiac students will receive priority hiring for job opportunities within Hartford HealthCare. This transformative partnership will address current and future talent shortages across industries by building college-to-career pipelines that provide real-life experience, keep graduate talent in-state, and encourage upskilling and lifelong learning for those already employed:

- ▶ Create a leadership development program with QU's School of Business to educate developing leaders, from individual contributors to senior executive and physician leadership.
- ▶ Practicums, internships or research opportunities for undergraduate and graduate programs across QU's eight schools and the College of Arts and Sciences. We are discussing a Computing Fellows program within our School of Computing and Engineering, for example.
- ▶ Opportunities for QU students to participate in HHC's Graduate Administrative Internship Program and Administrative Fellowship Program.
- ▶ Facilitation of learning and upskilling opportunities for HHC employees, volunteers and their families, including a tuition discount benefit for HHC colleagues and their dependents.

2. High-Quality and Coordinated On-Campus Healthcare Services

Implement a comprehensive set of coordinated health services for all members of the Quinnipiac community, with a radical, unified electronic health record:

- ▶ Quinnipiac will use Hartford HealthCare's Campus Care program to provide high-quality, coordinated health and wellness services to manage students' complete care needs – physical and mental well-being as well as athletic training for the university's Division I athletes.
- ▶ Access to expanded services including counseling, adult health and athletic training from one of Connecticut's largest integrated healthcare systems, which includes Hartford HealthCare's 33,000 affiliated employees, seven hospitals, behavioral health and rehabilitation services, and many other clinical best practices.
- ▶ Pharmacy delivery from St. Vincent's community pharmacy to the QU campus medical office to support prescription needs.
- ▶ Integrated care through HHC's advanced electronic medical record, so all students who engage with health services will have their health records accessible through MyChartPLUS.

3. Redefining Healthcare Education

HHC will work with QU to develop a variety of programs and educational and job opportunities for our students. Here are examples of some school-specific areas of collaboration:

School of Medicine

Create more opportunities for students of QU's Frank H. Netter MD School of Medicine in both undergraduate and graduate medical education, including:

- ▶ Develop new sites for clinical placement of students across a variety of HHC clinical sites.
- ▶ Establish new residency programs in Psychiatry and Family Medicine.

School of Nursing

Grow much-needed nursing talent through new educational offerings and job opportunities both as students are pursuing their degrees and after graduation:

- ▶ Development of a Certified Nursing Assistant (CNA) program.
- ▶ Clinical rotations at HHC for participants in a new Acute Care Nurse Practitioner Program that is being developed.

School of Health Sciences

Advance student research, scientific, ethical and administrative perspectives that are needed to thrive in health sciences fields, including:

- ▶ New Ambulatory Surgery Center rotations for Physician Assistant students.
- ▶ Increased clinical placements for Physical Therapy and Occupational Therapy students.

College of Arts and Sciences

Interdisciplinary and dual-degree opportunities will ignite and evolve as important relationships are established, including:

- ▶ Integrating Hartford HealthCare's expertise and resources across existing programs such as biology and data science.
- ▶ More exposure to healthcare and health systems for students hoping to pursue graduate medical education or perform advanced research.

School of Business

This collaboration with Hartford HealthCare will evolve already expansive interdisciplinary and dual-degree opportunities, including:

- ▶ Gaining access to expertise and resources across the curriculum such as supply chain management and finance.
- ▶ Preparing students for leadership roles in healthcare systems as individual contributors and senior executives.

School of Communications

This strategic partnership will allow students to gain meaningful experience in communications with internship and career opportunities by:

- ▶ Adding depth to areas such as public relations, graphic design, advertising and integrated communications.
- ▶ Taking advantage of new internship placements and graduating with an understanding of how large-scale teams thrive.

School of Computing and Engineering

As part of this innovative partnership, QU will soon unveil a simulation center that will provide cutting-edge learning opportunities such as:

- ▶ Live-testing sophisticated medical devices developed as part of senior capstone projects.
- ▶ Paving the way for Quinnipiac students to design the solutions to the medical challenges of tomorrow.

School of Education

This exciting partnership will provide students with more comprehensive and coordinated health and wellness services such as:

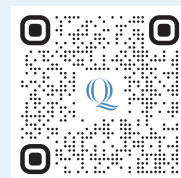
- ▶ Providing access to an expanded service library, including counseling, adult health and athletic training.
- ▶ Transitioning to Hartford HealthCare's EPIC MyChartPLUS platform to make healthcare data more accessible and portable.

School of Law

This bold partnership with Hartford HealthCare will enable students to access practicums, internships and other research opportunities, including:

- ▶ Growing talent by evolving academic programs and other opportunities to address the needs of the marketplace and underserved communities.
- ▶ Offering real-world experiences in a leading healthcare system and a pipeline to many rewarding careers.

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