



NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF  
Community Health Centers



Dear Colleague,

**Re: *Hometown* – Help Identify Potential CHC Healers**

NACHC partnered with A.T. Still University to open new dental and medical schools to insure an ongoing supply of primary care providers for health centers. Both the medical school ([www.atsu.edu/soma](http://www.atsu.edu/soma)) and dental school ([www.atsu.edu/asdoh](http://www.atsu.edu/asdoh)) have innovative curricula, state-of-the-art technologies, a community focus throughout the curriculum – and seek community-minded applicants with the character to serve the nation's safety-net of Community Health Centers.

This is a very unique opportunity for health centers. Potential students recommended by health centers are given careful consideration during the application process through a Program called *Hometown* Health Center Partnerships, <http://www.atsu.edu/asdoh/community/hometown.htm> and <http://www.atsu.edu/soma/admissions/hometown.htm>. For more information contact Gary Cloud at [gcloud@atsu.edu](mailto:gcloud@atsu.edu).

**Grow Your Own – Recruit The Right Students:**

- 1) **Identify** employees, family or community members to be the next generation of physicians or dentists committed to your community. For more information, go to <http://www.atsu.edu/>.
- 2) **Encourage interested individuals** to submit applications for the next class:
  - **Dentistry:** A.T. Still University Arizona School of Dentistry & Oral Health (ASDOH): Apply for the next class. Applications can be submitted starting May 1<sup>st</sup>, and must be in by December 1 prior to the fall of anticipated enrollment. For more information: [http://www.atsu.edu/asdoh/prospective\\_students/index.htm](http://www.atsu.edu/asdoh/prospective_students/index.htm).
  - **Medicine:** A.T. Still University College of Osteopathic Medicine – Mesa (SOMA): Apply for the next class. Applications can be submitted starting May 1<sup>st</sup>, and must be in by February 1<sup>st</sup> prior to the fall of anticipated enrollment. For more information: [http://www.atsu.edu/soma/prospective\\_students/index.htm](http://www.atsu.edu/soma/prospective_students/index.htm).
- 3) **Write a letter of reference and support** for interested candidates and forward to Gary Cloud, separate from the application:

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