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The Community Agrees: MAHEC Is Among the Best in WNC

Readers of Mountain Xpress vote MAHEC in the top of four categories

Asheville, NC | September 1, 2024 — The votes are in for the highly sought-after Best of WNC awards, now in its 30th year, selected by thousands of readers of Mountain Xpress.

MAHEC, with significant competition, earned impressive recognition:

- Best Family Medical Practice in WNC: No. 2
- Best Maternity Care Services in WNC: No. 2
- Best Place in WNC to Get Medical Care when Under- or Un-insured: No. 2
- Best Women's Health Center in WNC: No. 3

Readers also selected Healthcare as the No. 1 Best Employment Sector to Work In.

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About MAHEC

Established five decades ago, MAHEC—Mountain Area Health Education Center—is a leader in healthcare, education, and innovation. Headquartered on a 14-acre campus in Asheville with family medicine, ob/gyn, internal medicine, psychiatry, and dentistry offices in <u>various locations</u> across its 16-county, Western North Carolina service area, MAHEC is one of the largest nonprofit employers in the mountain region with more than 1,000 employees.

Among MAHEC's focus areas is recruiting, training, and retaining the workforce needed to create a healthy North Carolina, with a particular focus on primary care in rural communities and for those with less access to resources. A Federally Qualified Health Center (FQHC) and the largest of nine Area Health Education Centers in North Carolina, MAHEC's Biltmore campus is also the home of UNC Health Sciences at MAHEC, an academic health center with branch campuses of UNC schools of medicine, dentistry, pharmacy, public health.

MAHEC is a private, <u>501(c)</u> 3 <u>nonprofit organization</u> celebrating its <u>50th anniversary</u> in 2024 . For more information, visit mahec.net and follow Facebook, Instagram, LinkedIn and X