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Coastal students get healthy dose of careers info at workshops

Year nine students from the North West will find out health careers during the UTAS Rural Clinical School Health Careers Workshops.

The UTAS Rural Clinical School is hosting the annual Year nine Health Careers Workshops in both **Devonport (Friday 17 May)** and **Burnie (Tuesday 28 May)**. Workshops will involve around 80 students at each location, and will run for a full day, with students being exposed to a variety of interactive sessions across a broad spectrum of health careers.

Students get the chance to scrub up for theatre, find out what physios do, focus on feet and get a feel for the wide and varied range of health careers, beyond the traditional fields of Nursing and Medicine. Thirty three presenters will be highlighting 20 different health careers during the workshops.

Dr Lizzi Shires, Acting Co-Director of the North West Rural Clinical School, said the health industry offers a great opportunity for young people to expand their ideas about career options.

“The Health Careers Workshops provide a great insight for students who are working through ideas about the kind of job they would like to have in the future.

“They get information plus interactive experience of a broad range of health careers, giving them the chance to consider what might be right for them,” she said.

The UTAS Rural Clinical School is running the workshops in partnership with the Tasmanian Health Organisation - North West, with professional health staff volunteering their time to contribute career advice to the workshop participants, and the Tasmanian Department of Education, through the Pathway Planning Program.

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