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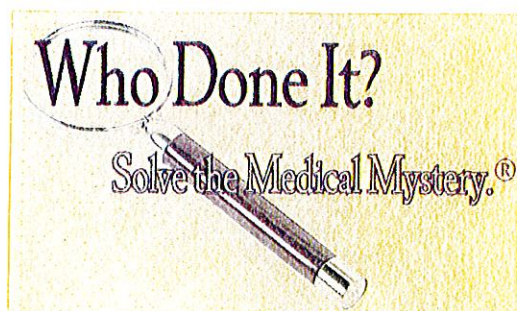
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## CAREER-BUILDING

Middle and high school students will be interested in two new healthcare career education programs launched by the Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center (Catskill Hudson AHEC).

Presented in DVD format, *Who Done It? Solve the Medical Mystery*® is a middle school health career awareness program that is similar to a murder mystery. The storyline presents a crime that the audience must solve. However, each of the four suspects has a physical ailment that requires medical treatment which must be taken into consideration during the investigation. After all

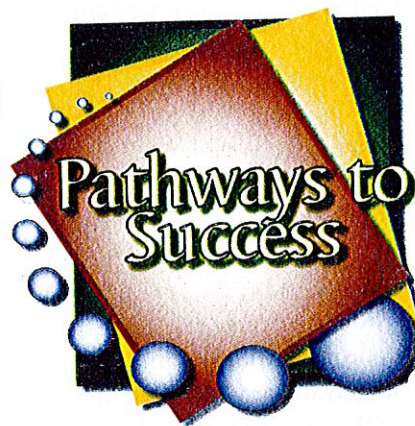
the investigative information and physician “flash-backs” are presented, the video is paused and the audience is given a questionnaire to complete, which contains multiple choice, medically-related questions correlating with



the video. The last question is, “According to the evidence and taking into consideration the physical health of all of the suspects, who do you think committed the crime?” When the questionnaires are completed and handed in, the video resumes with the lab analysis of the evidence taken from the crime scene, and the culprit is revealed.

Catskill Hudson AHEC created and developed the program in coordination with the Communications & Journalism department of the Ulster BOCES New Visions Education Careers Exploration Program. It is designed for middle schools, after-school organizations, youth bureaus, and anyone who would like to solve a mystery and learn about health occupations in the process.

The second program, *Pathways to Success*, a Career Preparedness and Life Skills program for middle and high school students, is a resource tool to help students build a



transitional “bridge” from student to employee. The program is divided into six segments: Life Skills, Personal Appearance, Career Preparation, Interview Skills, Personal Finance, and How to Obtain a Driver’s License.

In Life Skills, students explore how facial expressions, body language, attitude and listening skills all contribute to other people’s perception of them. Personal Appearance highlights making positive impressions with clothing, makeup, accessories and personal hygiene. Career Preparation focuses on choosing a career, understanding and completing pertinent paperwork (such as working papers), how to write an effective résumé, cover letter, thank-you letter, and how/where to find career resources. Interview Skills familiarizes students with the interview process. Personal Finance reviews banks and types of financial accounts, building good credit, and includes a budgeting exercise. How to Obtain a Driver’s License is for student information only and is not designed as a program lesson. Each student is assigned a different health occupation and corresponding salary to maintain as their professional identity throughout the program.

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