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Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center Recognizes Founding Member

Katherine Murphy, Catskill Hudson AHEC Program and Marketing Coordinator

As one of the founding members of Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center Board of Directors, Bonnie Kaido recently resigned from her post as President, which lasted from November 2003 to February 2008. Ms. Kaido is the Director of Emergency Preparedness at Bassett Healthcare in Cooperstown, New York, and has also worked to train leaders of emergency squads to be better equipped to direct such volunteer organizations.

"It is clear to see Bonnie's passion for volunteerism," noted Kathryn Reed, Catskill Hudson AHEC's Executive Director. "Her dedication to the development and success of Catskill Hudson AHEC was clear from the very beginning. Her leadership and her vision for our success are large contributing factors for the continued viability of Catskill Hudson AHEC."

Susan Koppenhaver, MPH, Administrator of Eden Park Healthcare and new President of the Catskill Hudson AHEC Board, also cited Ms. Kaido's accomplishments. "Bonnie Kaido's commitment and dedication to the Catskill Hudson AHEC is most appreciated by the Board and the people we serve. Her perseverance has helped found and support the development and growth of this fine organization, and has contributed to its current and future success."

Catskill Hudson AHEC works with community-based partners to address health care professional shortages through programs that familiarize students with various health care occupations, provide the means to recruit students into health care professions, train and support health care professionals, and advocate the elimination of health care disparities.

For more information about Catskill Hudson AHEC, please call (845) 883-7260, email to *chahec@fwi.net*, or log onto their website at *www.catskillhudsonahec.org*.

New Student Program Launched by Catskill Hudson AHEC

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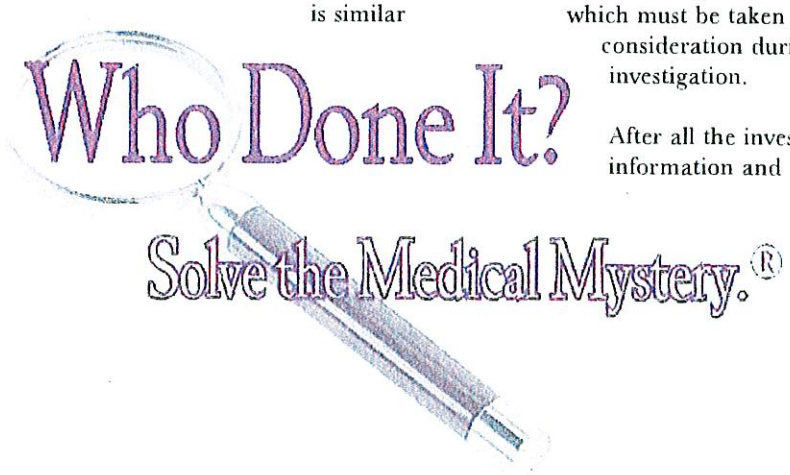
Catskill Hudson Area Health Education Center (Catskill Hudson AHEC) has recently launched a new product on DVD - *Who Done It? Solve the Medical Mystery®*.

Who Done It? Solve the Medical Mystery® is similar to a murder mystery, but with a better outcome. In an amusing way, the storyline of this middle school health career awareness program presents a crime that the audience must solve. However, each of the four suspects has a physical ailment requiring medical treatment, which must be taken into consideration during the investigation.



After all the investigative information and physician "flashbacks" are presented, the video is paused and the audience is given a questionnaire with medically relevant multiple-choice questions related to 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 lab analysis of the evidence, and the culprit is revealed.

For additional information on *Who Done It? Solve the Medical Mystery®*, *My Health Career®* or any of our other programs, please contact Catskill Hudson AHEC at (845) 883-7260 or email us at *kdoyle@catskillhudsonahec.org*.