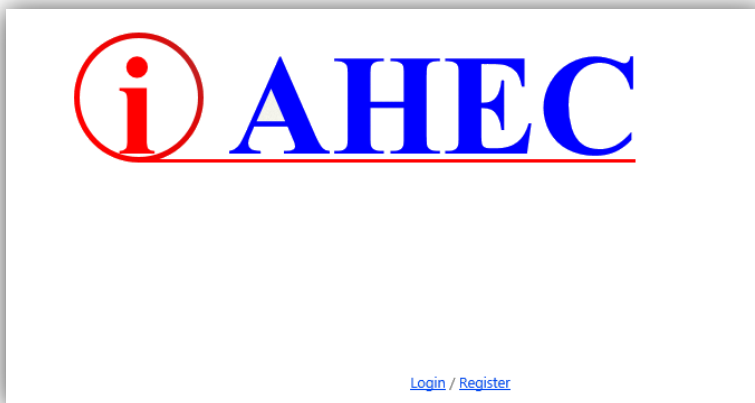# (i) AHEC© : A Web Resource for Data Collection and Reporting

Texas AHEC East has developed a **web based data system** that is **used by Center and Program Office staff** for data entry and collection and generating reports. Its design provides a secure, easy to use web-based information portal that encourages daily activity entry and ensures accurate and up-to-date data that is accessible on demand.

The **data collection portion** allows for capturing activities and efforts including: contact information, health career promotions activities, community-based student education experiences, practice entry & support activities, partnerships, health literacy projects, and community health system activities.

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Users are able to **generate effort reports** in standard federal, state and regional reporting formats and in customized reporting formats. Data can be explored using multiple filters such as center, county, program and other variables for individually customized reports.

Because we are both the owner and users for this system, we have full understanding of AHEC program needs, center needs and federal reporting needs. We are in the process of **updating our data collection to meet the current federal performance measures reporting requirements**. By closely working with the AHEC Training and Consultation Center (A-TrACC), we have excellent input and suggestions for best practices of AHEC data collection.

Our system includes a **knowledge base** of frequently asked questions and a **help desk** function with administrator response within 24 hours on business days.

The system **holds large amounts of detailed information and is easy to use**. Currently iAHEC© is used by a total of 19 centers and 3 programs.

iAHEC© has online public registration, but users must be approved AHEC employees to gain access.

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