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## Engagement within Cities and Regions to Improve Public Health

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The University of Missouri–Kansas City (UMKC) School of Pharmacy has a long tradition of engaging within its cities and the regions in which it resides to improve the public health in all aspects of the life span across a multitude of specialties and patients. This realization has continued to expand into one that embraces the aspects of global health and civic responsibility across borders and interprofessional relationships. Our commitment to excellence in healthcare is embedded within our mission and vision. It embraces the actuality that all our faculty, staff and students have a role in the improvement of the lives of those around us.

The garnering of resources to support the strategic placement of faculty within areas of most need has resulted in obtaining all aspects of Healthy People 2010 while meeting the CAPE education guidelines. In turn, this has resulted in best practices and scholarship that furthers the research mission of the school and university. By leading these efforts, the UMKC School of Pharmacy has sought to further the health-related knowledge to which scientists, practitioners and patients will look as the body of knowledge surrounding healthcare continues to evolve. Furthermore, our student pharmacists continually observe positive models in our faculty, staff and alumni resulting in their development into change agents and leaders within the profession and the future communities in which they will serve.

