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Intern at West Tennessee Healthcare



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Since 1995, Tennessee Hospital Association's [Agenda 21 Internship Program](#) has operated with the mission of matching graduate students from minority and underrepresented groups in healthcare administration with hospital executives for summer internships in hospitals across the state. Bege Mallam, an intern in the 28th class of the program and an MPH student at Tennessee State University, interned at West Tennessee Healthcare in Jackson, TN.

One of Bege's projects was the creation of an educational CPR video for the community. This project arose from the endorsement of hands-only CPR by the American Heart Association. West Tennessee Healthcare aligned their practices with this updated recommendation to ensure that communities receive excellent evidence-based care.

The hands-only CPR educational video was created for use during staff training sessions in addition to educating communities hospitals serve. The video is accessible on West Tennessee Healthcare's YouTube channel and website.

Bege worked with Andrea Henson, West Tennessee Healthcare Bolivar Hospital's nurse educator, on the project. He enjoyed his time working with Andrea because of her extensive knowledge and unwavering dedication to her role. During Bege's time at West Tennessee Healthcare, he learned that decisions hospital leadership make are clearly driven by the well-being of local residents. Additionally, hospital leadership provided Bege insight into the extensive network of partnerships within their communities, all aimed at improving health outcomes.



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