

# Project ConNECT: Connecting Nurse Education to Rural Communities in Texas

Project ConNECT is a strategic initiative designed to bridge the gap between nursing education and rural healthcare needs. It focuses on preparing practice-ready nurses, supporting professional preceptor growth, and fostering community-led health action.

## Pillar 1: Practice-Ready Rural Nurses



Rural Nursing  
Knowledge-to-  
Practice Series

Intensive  
Summer  
Clinical  
Immersion

Ongoing  
Community  
Engagement

## Pillar 2: Preceptor Development



Preceptor  
competency  
certification

Support for  
CNE  
certification

Financial  
support for  
Aggie MSN-  
Nursing  
Education

## Pillar 3: Community Action Teams



Equal  
Partnership  
Model

Co-Lead a  
Community  
Action Team

Address  
Determinants  
of Health