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YERINGTON--Mitchell Wolf, a fourth-year medical student at the University of Nevada, Reno began working with Dr. Robin Titus Jan. 2 for his rural rotation.

Wolf, along with all fourth-year students, is required to complete a four-week stay with a family practice physician in rural Nevada. While in Yerington, Wolf, who plans a practice in family medicine, will work side-by-side with Dr. Titus to learn more about the practice of medicine in a rural community. After his first week, Wolf said he is enjoying the people of Yerington and the experience has reinforced his interest in family medicine.

Wolf's rural rotation, along with those of his 48 classmates, is coordinated by Area Health Education Centers, a federally-funded program that works in cooperation with the School of Medicine to provide support services for health professionals in rural Nevada in addition to student activities. In addition to the fourth-year rotation, AHEC also coordinates four-week preceptorships with Nevada doctors for first-year students.

Wolf is one of the first medical students to participate in a program that allows him to access the National Library of Medicine through a portable computer system provided by AHEC while in a rural community. He is using the computer to access information to help with patient diagnosis and education.