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[New Mexico 26, 2010] – New Mexico students receive top honors at the Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) National Leadership Conference. The HOSA National Leadership Conference, held in Orlando, Fl., took place June 23-26, 2010.

New Mexico students and schools winning top honors are:

Ocate High School in Las Cruces selected as an Outstanding National Chapter; Fred Barrio and Michael Ortiz from Ocate High School placed in the top ten in Medical Terminology; Linda Deno from Central New Mexico Community College (CNM) received a Silver Medal placing second in Medical Terminology; Christina Timmons from CNM placed in the top ten in Medical Math; and Angelina Richardson from CNM received a Gold Medal and recognition of being number one in the nation in Veterinary Assisting.

During the national competition, students worked against the clock and each other, proving their expertise in Health Career Occupations.

HOSA is a student organization whose mission is to promote career opportunities in health care and to enhance the delivery of quality health care to all people.

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