

2010 Call for Applications

Application Deadline

March 17, 2010



Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program

Purpose

The *Harold Amos Medical Faculty Development Program* was established to increase the number of faculty from historically disadvantaged backgrounds who can achieve senior rank in academic medicine and who will encourage and foster the development of succeeding classes of such physicians. Four-year postdoctoral research awards are offered to universities, schools of medicine and research institutions to support the research and career development of physicians from historically disadvantaged backgrounds who are committed to developing careers in academic medicine and to serving as role models for students and faculty of similar background. The program defines the term “historically disadvantaged” to mean the challenges facing individuals because of their race, ethnicity, socioeconomic status or similar factors.

Eligibility Criteria

To be eligible to apply, candidates must be physicians who:

- are from historically disadvantaged backgrounds (ethnic, financial or educational);
- are citizens or permanent residents of the United States or its territories at the time of application; and
- are now completing or have completed their formal clinical training. (Preference will be given to physicians who have recently completed their formal clinical training.)

We will select finalists from among those submitting applications and requested to submit Finalist Documentation, which must be submitted by a university, school of medicine or research institution that is exempt from federal income taxes under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code with which the prospective scholar will be affiliated during the term of the fellowship.

Selection Criteria

Successful scholars will demonstrate that they:

- have excelled in their education;
- are prepared to devote four consecutive years to research;
- are committed to: 1) pursuing academic careers; 2) serving as role models for students and faculty from historically disadvantaged backgrounds; 3) improving the health status of the underserved; and/or 4) decreasing health disparities.

Total Awards

- Up to eight four-year awards will be funded in this grant cycle.
- Scholars will receive an annual stipend of up to \$75,000 each, complemented by a \$30,000 annual grant toward support of research activities.

Use of Grant Funds

Grants will be made to the participating universities in accordance with RWJF's regular funding guidelines. Under the program, the universities provide scholars with their stipends, health insurance, expenses associated with the move to their fellowship site, and funds for a computer. Financial support also is available at each university for expenses associated with scholars' research, including travel.

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Key Dates and Deadlines

- **March 17, 2010 (8 p.m. ET)**
Deadline for receipt of online applications.
- **March 18, 2010**
Deadline for postmark of supporting documents.
- **July 2010**
Applicant interviews with national advisory committee members.
- **September 2010**
Deadline for receipt of online Finalist Documentation.
- **December 2010**
Notification of awards.

Inquiries

For information on the program, eligibility criteria and the application process please contact the national program office:

Phone: (317) 278-0500
E-mail: amfdp@indiana.edu

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We encourage all applicants to read the complete details about the program found in the call for applications brochure at www.rwjf.org/cfp/amfdp.

For more information about funding opportunities from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, visit Grant Applications at www.rwjf.org.

Sign up to receive Funding Alerts on upcoming calls for proposals at www.rwjf.org/services.



How to Apply

Applications for this solicitation must be submitted electronically. Visit www.rwjf.org/cfp/mfd8 and use the Apply Online link for this solicitation. You may be required to register at MyRWJF before you begin the application process. Instructions may be obtained by contacting the national program office:

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