

SCHOLAR AWARD COMPETITION
THE ROBERT WOOD JOHNSON FOUNDATION
Physician Faculty Scholars Program 2009

DEADLINES

Wednesday, May 28, 2008 - anticipated Internal deadline

August 29, 2008 - sponsor deadline

PROGRAM WEBSITE

Please refer to the Program website for more information about this program. Formal application instructions for the nominee are outlined in detail at this website: <http://rwjpfosp.stanford.edu/>

See *Becoming A Scholar*: <http://rwjpfosp.stanford.edu/becoming/index.html>

See frequently asked questions: <http://rwjpfosp.stanford.edu/faq/index.html>

BACKGROUND

The health of America's population requires new evidence-based strategies that can influence health policy and the quality of health services. For physicians, a critical period in their academic careers occurs after young faculty complete their clinical fellowship training, when they are expected to teach, see patients, and be independent researchers. This period is particularly challenging for junior faculty who are interested in health policy, epidemiology, health services, or community-based research, for whom few career development programs exist.

Now entering its third year, The Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's *Physician Faculty Scholars Program* is designed to address this gap by providing mentoring, research experience, and protected time. Helping faculty to build successful careers in these vital areas is intended to build a cadre of future academic leaders whose research will inform change in health policy and health care, and will demonstrate the importance of investing in young creative academic physicians.

ELIGIBILITY

- Physicians (MD or DO) with U.S. citizenship or permanent resident status.
- Nominee must commit at least 50% effort to the scholarly activities outlined in his/her proposal.
- Candidates must be faculty members within the first four years of appointment at the rank of instructor or assistant professor in a tenure line or the equivalent.
- Candidates must have had at least 2 papers published in peer-reviewed journals at the time of the anticipated application deadline, August 29, 2008.
- The nominee should demonstrate excellence as a clinical teacher.
- Be active in patient care at least one-half day per week.
- Candidates should have the support of a mentor or small cadre of mentors who can advise the candidate in career development and research.
- Physicians who have served as the PI on a grant (whether research or career development) that carries more than 48 months of funding are not eligible. This rule does not apply to grants for which the notice of award of funding is dated after the application deadline.
- Faculty members engaged in laboratory research are not eligible. RWJF is interested in research in the broad fields of population health, health policy, health economics, health services research, epidemiology, history, bioethics, and community health. Preference will be given to applicants in the fields of health policy, epidemiology, health services, or community-based research.

FUNDING

- Up to \$300,000 over three (3) years.
- Funds may cover a portion of the faculty Scholar's salary, research assistants, community partners, medical student or other trainee summer stipends, domestic travel, and other direct expenses essential to the proposal.

RECENT RECIPIENTS at YALE

2007, R. Scott Braitwaite, MD, MSc 2006, Lynn Sullivan, MD

NOMINATION LIMITATION

Yale may nominate one (1) candidate for the 2009 cadres of scholars.

INTERNAL COMPETITION PROCEDURES

Complete instructions for submitting an application for the Internal Competition are available on the YSM Grant & Contract Administration website at: http://grants.med.yale.edu/funding_opportunities/internal-competition.html

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION, CONTACT:

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For upcoming Scholar Award deadlines: http://grants.med.yale.edu/funding_opportunities/deadlines.html

