

2009 – 2010

Health Policy Fellowship



an
American Osteopathic Association
Certificate Program

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OF NEW YORK INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY



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PURPOSE AND STRUCTURE

The Health Policy Fellowship will accept a maximum of 12 Fellows for its sixteenth class beginning in August 2009. The program is offered by the New York Institute of Technology/New York College of Osteopathic Medicine and the Ohio University College of Osteopathic Medicine in collaboration with colleges in the American Association of Colleges of Osteopathic Medicine (AACOM), the American Osteopathic Association (AOA), and the government relations offices of the AOA and AACOM.

The program is designed for practicing or teaching osteopathic physicians who are preparing for leadership roles in the profession and positions of influence in health policy. Applications will also be considered from individuals with an established professional connection with the osteopathic profession (for example: directors of medical education, hospital administrators, executive directors of state osteopathic associations).

Fellows will attend an intensive five-day academic orientation at New York Institute of Technology before entering the regimen of nine three-day weekend seminars, usually beginning Friday at 8:00 a.m. and finishing Sunday at noon. Seminars are rotated among osteopathic colleges and the Washington, DC area offices of the AOA and AACOM. Between monthly seminars, Fellows are expected to devote a minimum of 20 hours to reading, research, and completing written assignments.

In order to enhance the Fellows' ability to evaluate, articulate, and formulate concise and objective assessments of health policy issues, Fellows will complete two health policy issue analysis briefs. Program faculty and staff provide research, writing, and editing support. Graduation, held in conjunction with the fall meeting of the AOA Council on Federal Health Programs, provides the opportunity for the Fellows to present outstanding briefs to the conference attendees.

Graduates of the program join a cadre of health policy experts from which the profession can draw to staff committees and task forces at the federal and state levels, testify on issues relevant to osteopathic medicine/education, and develop policy positions. The Institute for National Health Policy & Research has been organized by past graduates to maintain the health policy network.

CURRICULUM

The curriculum in health policy offers a broad range of analytic and communication tools applicable to health policy, including:

- Foundations of health policy
- Information systems for research and communication
- Policy analysis and formulation
- Qualitative and quantitative analysis
- Interpretation of statistical reporting
- Writing skills for presentation and publication

In addition, guest seminar leaders from policymaking agencies present an overview and history of policy issues in their fields and serve as resources for group assignments that form the basis of the interactive weekend seminars throughout the year. Policy areas for the study of issues have included:

- Federal and state health policy
- Uninsured populations
- Healthcare workforce
- Vulnerable populations
- Quality of care and patient safety
- Economics of health policy
- Rural health
- Multicultural medicine
- Medical education

Fellows will participate in policy meetings in Washington, D.C., including workshops to develop strategies to influence policy.

CURRICULUM PLANNING AND IMPLEMENTATION

A team of health policy experts plans and implements the curriculum each year. The following individuals will serve in this capacity for the 2009 – 2010 program year:

Steve Andes, Ph.D.
Humayun Chaudhry, D.O.
Nancy Cooper
Bette Coppola, M.Ed.
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Richard A. Wansley, Ph.D.
Steve Zucker, D.M.D., M.Ed.

CERTIFICATE REQUIREMENTS

To remain in good standing and earn an AOA certificate as a Health Policy Fellow, participants must attend and participate in all scheduled seminars and complete all assignments. The health policy issue analysis briefs developed in the program must be submitted by December 30, 2009 and July 1, 2010 for evaluation.

THE SELECTION PROCESS

Application for 12 Fellowship positions is competitive and open to individuals who hold the D.O. degree. Applicants are expected to demonstrate five or more years of experience in professional settings in addition to their practice and a career-long interest in health policy. Sponsorship by an organization is preferred.

Individuals who have an established professional connection with the osteopathic profession may be selected to fill Fellowship positions (not to exceed two). The minimum requirements for these applicants are a graduate degree and a demonstrated history of interest and involvement in health policy.

A complete application with a personal statement is required along with three recommendations. Recommendations from sponsoring organizations/institutions should be included. A nationwide panel of health policy experts evaluates applicants on prior academic and professional experience as well as level of commitment. Reviewers will seek evidence that the applicant can successfully combine a rigorous course of study with practice or teaching commitments.

FACILITIES AND RESOURCES

Extensive in-kind contributions from the participating universities and the osteopathic associations' offices are committed to the program each year. The offices of the AOA and AACOM are available for the Washington, D.C. sessions, and staff from the offices arrange guest seminar leaders and Congressional visits.

ACCOMMODATIONS AND FINANCIAL ARRANGEMENTS

Program staff select all hotel accommodations for all participants at each seminar location. However, reservations and payment for travel, room and board for weekend seminars are the responsibility of the Fellow or sponsoring agency (average \$1000 per seminar). The program provides continental breakfasts and lunches during the seminars.

ACADEMIC CREDIT

Participants in the Health Policy Fellowship may earn academic credit for their studies. NYIT/NYCOM and Ohio University award graduate credit to participants who elect to apply for non-degree admission and pay a fee. The Des Moines University Masters of Public Health Program will apply up to 13 graduate credits towards their on-line Master of Public Health degree. The University of North Texas Health Science Center's Master of Public Health program will transfer 10 semester credit hours in health policy toward the M.P.H. degree when applicants complete all requirements of the Fellowship. These credit hours may be transferable to other graduate programs (subject to approval by each program).

2009-2010 PROGRAM CALENDAR

August 19-23 NYCOM, Old Westbury, NY
September 26-27 Washington, DC
October 16-18 NWOMF, Portland, OR
November 12-14 AACOM, Washington, DC
January 15-17 WUHS-COMP, Pomona, CA
February 12-14 Midwestern AZCOM, Glendale, AZ
March 14-16 AOA, Washington, DC
April 16-18 OSU-COM, Tulsa, OK
June 4-6 AOA, Chicago, IL
September TBA Washington, DC

For additional information, please contact **Nancy Cooper, Fellowship Coordinator**, at (740) 593-2017 or coopern@ohio.edu. You can also visit our website: <http://iris.nyit.edu/nycom/hpf>

Please return this application by May 22, 2009 to:

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2002-2003

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