

**NATIONAL HISPANIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION
2010 LEADERSHIP FELLOWSHIP**

CALL FOR APPLICATIONS

I. PURPOSE AND SPONSORS

The purpose of the program is to promote the development of leadership potential among members of the National Hispanic Medical Association. The emphasis is on the knowledge and skills necessary to take a leadership role in health policy development and advocacy at local, state and national levels on issues of importance to the health of the Hispanic community.

Sponsors for the Leadership Fellowship include U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA), Amgen, Inc., Ortho Biotech, Pfizer Inc, Ortho Biotech, The Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation, Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York University, the New York Academy of Medicine, and the National Hispanic Medical Association.

II. ELIGIBILITY AND SELECTION

Approximately 10 Fellows will be selected. Applications will be solicited from among NHMA's membership. A committee consisting of association faculty, NYU Wagner faculty and NYAM President, will make the selection.

Applicants should have at least five years of professional experience after completion of residency training. The primary selection criteria will be leadership potential as evidenced in work experience and other community activities. Appropriate letters of recommendation will be part of the application package. Fellows are expected to arrange to be given time off from work to participate in the program. Either they or their employer should be willing to pay expenses to attend the association annual meetings. Expenses for the Fellows related to travel, hotel and attending the NYU Summer Institute and the Week in Washington, DC will be paid as a part of the fellowship.

III. PROGRAM FORMAT AND CONTENT

A. Faculty – Robert F. Wagner Graduate School of Public Service, New York University, The New York Academy of Medicine; Jo Ivey Boufford, M.D., President, The New York Academy of Medicine, and National Hispanic Medical Association –Susana Morales, M.D., Elena Rios, M.D., and other experts in Hispanic health issues.

B. Course of Instruction

1. *Orientation Session – March 25, 2010, Marriott Wardman Park Hotel, 2660 Woodley Rd., NW, Washington, DC*

This will be a one-day session conducted in conjunction with the NHMA annual meeting. Members of the faculty will conduct it. The intent is to give Fellows an overview of the expectations and learning process. Curriculum materials will be distributed, and the case study approach to learning discussed. Policy Analysis Teams are designed to research and develop a policy paper on specific topics such as: Cultural Competence, Medical Education, Safety Net, and Finance.

2. *Summer Institute at NYU – July 18-24, 2010*

This will be a one-week residential session involving intense learning experiences. The Fellows will spend time discussing specially developed case studies prepared and presented by NYU and NHMA faculty and other nationally known experts, will hear guest speakers, and pursue their team project

with guidance from the faculty. The topics for the case studies and the guest speakers will be focused on Federal/State policy development strategies and policy analysis skills, including the nature of decision making for Federal policies concerning the regulation of insurance companies, HMOs and/or their involvement in the Medicare program, the Federal role in financing and regulating graduate medical education, the Federal and state roles with programs that address the special issues of underserved populations, such as the Medicaid and the Children's Health Insurance Program and Cultural Competence.

3. *Week in Washington, DC – September 12-18, 2010*

Coinciding with the date of the annual meeting of the Congressional Hispanic Caucus Institute, the Fellows will spend one week in Washington, DC. During this week they will attend Congressional sessions and Committee hearings and meet with the leadership of the Executive Branch, the White House, and national organizations with interest in health policy. The purpose of the sessions will be to gain first hand experience with the policy-making process and to gain experience meeting with lobbyists and member of Congress and their staff. The agenda will include sessions on policy priorities of Congressional health committees, the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Federal budget process, minority health initiatives, and coalition building. In addition, the teams will schedule meetings focused on their policy issue and will meet at the end of the week to share experiences.

4. *NHMA Annual Conference, Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, DC, March, 2011*

The Fellows will have a one-day meeting prior to the NHMA annual conference with the faculty and Fellows from the previous classes of this program, Advisory Committee, and Federal and industry representatives. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss Federal policy issues, share their experiences, and deliver presentations of their team projects.

5. *CME and Academic Credit*

The entire program will provide Category 1 CME of the Physician's Recognition Award of the American Medical Association. In addition, this fellowship program can be counted toward the degree of Masters of Science in Management with the Wagner Graduate School of Public Service.

National Hispanic Medical Association 2010 Leadership Fellowship Application

Please submit the following:

- Contact information
- A one page essay discussing how the NHMA Leadership Fellowship will advance your career goals
- 2 letters of recommendation
- Your resume

Please submit your application by March 1, 2010 to:

**Selection Committee
NHMA 2010 Leadership Fellowship
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