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Young Physicians Selected for Prestigious National Fellowship to Lead the Transformation of Health Care

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars named for 2010-2012

Chapel Hill, N.C.—The *Robert Wood Johnson Foundation Clinical Scholars Program*[®] is pleased to announce the selection of 29 young physicians who will learn to conduct innovative research and work with communities, organizations, practitioners and policy-makers on issues important to the health and well-being of all Americans. They will begin their prestigious two-year fellowships in July 2010.

“Clinical Scholars are leading change through every level of the health care system including community practice, local and state government, the federal government, and professional organizations,” said Desmond K. Runyan, M.D., Dr.P.H., national program director for the Clinical Scholars Program.

The new Clinical Scholars are outstanding young physicians who were selected competitively from applicants enrolled in medical and surgical residencies across the United States.

Scholars conduct research in diverse, health-related fields such as health care delivery and financing, clinical decision-making, biomedical ethics, and health care policy. The program also includes leadership training and engagement in community-based, participatory research.

Clinical Scholars receive their training at one of four universities: Yale University, the University of Pennsylvania, the University of Michigan, or the University of California, Los Angeles. Through the program scholars will spend two years examining the delivery, impact and organization of health care. This background will help prepare them to lead efforts to transform health care in this country through positions in academic medicine, public health and other leadership roles. They join a distinguished group of over 1,100 alumni who include prominent leaders of public and private agencies at the state and national levels, five public health and medical school deans, 40 Institute of Medicine members, 19 medical school department chairs, over 100 vice chairs of departments or division chiefs, and numerous medical school professors.

This training program, established in 1969 and supported by the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation since 1972, is one of the oldest and most prestigious fellowships awarded to physicians. The Department of Veterans Affairs will be a partner supporting 9 of the 29 Scholars. For more information about the program and a full list of the 2010-2012 Clinical Scholars visit: <http://rwjcsp.unc.edu/>

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Listing of RWJF Clinical Scholars for the period 2010-2012

University of California, Los Angeles				
Name	Specialty	Undergraduate Education	Medical School	Residency
Robin Clarke	Internal Medicine	Princeton University	Weill Cornell Medical College	UCLA Medical Center
Michael Hochman (VA)	Internal Medicine	Princeton University	Harvard Medical School	Cambridge Hospital
Lorraine Kelley	General Surgery	University of California, San Diego	University of California, Los Angeles	University of California, Los Angeles
Chris Lee	Diagnostic Radiology	Princeton University	Yale University	Stanford University
Lauren Patty (VA)	Ophthalmology	Stanford University	Harvard Medical School	LAC+USC/Doheny Eye Institute
Erin Saleeby	Obstetrics and Gynecology	The George Washington University	University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill	University of California, San Francisco
Luwam Semere	Obstetrics and Gynecology	Massachusetts Institute of Technology	Harvard Medical School	Brigham and Women's Hospital

University of Michigan				
Last Name	Specialty	Undergraduate Education	Medical School	Residency
James Burke (VA)	Neurology	University of Notre Dame	Loyola University Stritch School of Medicine	University of Michigan Neurology Department

Zachary Goldberger	Internal Medicine	Brown University	Yale School of Medicine	University of Washington and Affiliated Hospitals
Adrienne Haggins	Emergency Medicine	University of Michigan	Michigan State University	University of Chicago
Ryan Merkow	Surgery	University of Wisconsin - Madison	University of Colorado Denver	University of Colorado Denver
Erika Sears (VA)	Plastic Surgery	Northwestern University	University of Michigan	University of Michigan
Nishant Sekaran	Internal Medicine	Cornell University	Vanderbilt University	University of Washington
Jennifer Walter	Pediatrics	Loyola University Chicago	Georgetown University School of Medicine	University of Chicago
University of Pennsylvania				
Last Name	Specialty	Undergraduate Education	Medical School	Residency
Eugenia Garvin	General Surgery	Harvard University	Washington University School of Medicine	Washington University School of Medicine
Mana Golzari	Pediatrics	Harvard University	Stanford University School of Medicine	University of California, San Francisco
Manny Jimenez	Pediatrics	Rutgers University	UMDNJ- Robert Wood Johnson Medical School	Children's National Medical Center
Shreya Kangovi (VA)	Combined Internal Medicine/Pediatrics	Columbia University	Harvard Medical School	HUP/CHOP
Dawn Mautner	Family Medicine	Portland State University	Penn State College of Medicine	Harbor-UCLA
Kalpana Narayan	Emergency Medicine	Rutgers University	Robert Wood Johnson Medical School	Brigham and Women's Hospital
Anand Shah (VA)	Emergency Medicine	Emory University	Medical College of Wisconsin	Brown University

Yale University

Last Name	Specialty	Undergraduate Education	Medical School	Residency
Jed Barash (VA)	Neurology	Hamilton College	University of Connecticut School of Medicine	Harvard/Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center
Oni Blackstock (VA)	Internal Medicine	Harvard College	Harvard Medical School	Montefiore Medical Center
Rosette Chakkalakai	Internal Medicine	University of Miami	Miller School of Medicine, University of Miami	Emory University School of Medicine
Clara Filice	Pediatrics	Rice University	Feinberg School Of Medicine, Northwestern Univ.	Children's Memorial Hospital
Justin Fox	General Surgery	University of Pittsburgh	Uniformed Services University	Wright State University
Greg Furie (VA)	Internal Medicine	Princeton University	Harvard Medical School	Hospital of the University of Pennsylvania
Eric Hodgson	Obstetrics and Gynecology	Bucknell University	The University of Maryland School of Medicine	Yale-New Haven Hospital
Karen Wang	Internal Medicine	Stanford University	Baylor College of Medicine	Montefiore Medical Center/Albert Einstein