

SCHOLAR AWARD COMPETITION
PFIZER POSTDOCTORAL FELLOWSHIPS
in Health Disparities 2008

DEADLINES

Tuesday, November 20, 2007 - Internal deadline

January 9, 2008* - Anticipated Pfizer application deadline

PROGRAM WEBSITE

Please refer to the Pfizer Promising Minds website for more information about this program. Formal application instructions for the nominee(s) are outlined in detail on these webpages.

<http://www.promisingminds.com/GrantsProgType.aspx?ProgID=110&ProgAreaID=28&ProgTypeID=3>

BACKGROUND

Studies of disparities in healthcare consistently demonstrate that racial and ethnic minorities tend to receive a lower quality of healthcare than non-minorities, even when access-related factors, such as status, income and patients' insurance, are controlled. These disparities are found in a wide range of disease and health-care categories. Many sources, such as health systems, healthcare providers, patients, language barriers, stereotyping, prejudice and clinical uncertainty may contribute to racial and ethnic disparities in healthcare. By supporting scientific research in health disparities, Pfizer seeks to increase awareness about health disparities, and foster development and implementation of methods to eliminate disparities in health and healthcare.

ELIGIBILITY

- All applicants must have a doctoral degree and have at least one year of postdoctoral research training or experience relevant to the research proposed.
- Candidates must have arranged for an appointment at Yale and have been accepted by a sponsor who is a full-time faculty member experienced in health disparities research.
- It is suggested that the candidate have a mentor identified from a local or state health or health related agency as well.
- Applicants *cannot* hold a tenure-track faculty position or its equivalent during the first year of the fellowship.
- Candidates must plan to devote at least 75% of professional time to research.
- U.S. citizenship or permanent resident status is required.

FUNDING

- Postdoctoral Fellowships provide \$65,000 per year for 2 years, intended primarily as salary support, but can be used for expenses of research, including salaries of technical personnel.
- Other national research fellowships, career development, and other equivalent awards for which the applicant is the principal investigator may be held concurrently with a Pfizer Postdoctoral Fellowship; however, total support provided by the Pfizer Fellowship and another award cannot exceed \$130,000 annually. Awards offering substantial career development, such as NIH R01 and K awards, and Howard Hughes grants cannot be held concurrently.

NOMINATION LIMITATION

- Yale may nominate one candidate per department.
However, Pfizer limits its awards to one award per academic medical center per year.

INTERNAL COMPETITION PROCEDURES

Complete instructions for submitting an application for the Internal Competition are available on the Grant & Contract Administration website at:

http://grants.med.yale.edu/funding_opportunities/internal-competition.html

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