

2018

The David A. Winston
Health Policy Fellowship

A Distinguished Postgraduate Fellowship in Health Policy
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The Fellowship commemorates the contributions and personal qualities of **David A. Winston** who, for 20 years, played a significant role in shaping American health policy. Perhaps no one individual had a stronger influence on the issues that fueled the healthcare revolution of the 1980s than he did. David Winston served as a bridge between the public sector, which he knew well from long experience, and the private sector, in which he deeply believed. He moved comfortably and skillfully in either world. His advice and counsel were sought and accepted by leaders in both sectors. His knowledge and integrity earned him the respect and trust of the healthcare community.

“David was the kind of person who made a tremendous contribution by working largely behind the scenes, but those who knew him were keenly aware of his central role.”

~ Ronald Reagan,
40th U.S. President

David Winston began his career as a health policy advisor to the California State Legislature. After serving with the medical program and as Chief Deputy Director of the California Department of Health, he joined the faculty of the University of Southern California School of Medicine, researching health services and policy analysis. He came to Washington, DC, in 1977 to serve as Minority Staff Director for the Senate Labor and Human Resources Committee Subcommittee on Health and ultimately for the full Labor and Human Resource Committee.

In 1980, David Winston was an important contributor to President Reagan's transition strategy. He remained a consultant to the White House and was particularly influential in shaping the Administration's position of deregulation and competition in the health sector.

David Winston moved to the private sector in 1981, focusing his energy on organizing the private sector and demonstrating that it could effectively communicate with and positively impact the federal policy making process. He served as president of the National Committee for Quality Health Care. At the time of his death in 1986, David Winston was Senior Corporate Vice President and head of the Washington office of Voluntary Hospitals of America.

“He was able to blend a very unique knowledge of health care issues in both the public and private sectors.”

~ Richard S. Schweiker,
Former Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services

FELLOWSHIP OBJECTIVES

The objective of the *David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship* is to provide a unique opportunity to learn about the political system through direct exposure to public and private sector roles in health policy development. The Fellowship embodies Mr. Winston's commitment to the public/private partnership necessary for a high quality, market-oriented healthcare system.

"He blended his graciousness and his superior knowledge of health policy with an intense dedication to integrity."

~ Otis R. Bowen, MD,
Former Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services



2016 - 2017 Fellows
Olivia Pham (left) and Kripa Sreepada (right)

The *David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship* is a 12-month postgraduate experience in Washington, DC. The first portion of the Fellowship is a planned rotation of at least three months during which the Fellows will visit various centers of current health policy development at the national level, and may

include activities at nearby state capitals. During the final months, the Fellows will pursue a full-time placement with the guidance of the Winston Board of Directors, which is comprised of key policymakers from the private and public sectors.

This program gives the Fellows the advantage of the Board's judgment and access, as well as an opportunity for personal initiative and exploration of a single issue.

THE PROGRAM

The *David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship* is a unique opportunity in that the program includes systematic exposure to organizations, associations, and coalitions in the private sector, as well as policy development centers in Congress and the Administration. A distinguished Board of Directors has the responsibility of helping assure the quality of the experience.



2010 Winston Fellows, Catherine Oakar (left) and Erin Richardson (right), with Jeanne Lambrew, Senior Obama Administration Official (center)

The Winston Staff and Board of Directors will work with the Fellows to plan the orientation visits to key policy development centers during the first three months of the Fellowship. During the remaining nine months, the Fellows complete a full-time placement that allows them to gain first-hand experience in policymaking and explore current issues in depth.

ELIGIBILITY

- *The David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship* is open to students graduating in the 2017-2018 academic year with a minimum of a master's degree in any discipline, field, or profession.
- Individuals who **do not** possess previous health policy experience in Washington, DC will be given preference.
- The Fellowship is open to graduate students in any program, school, or department of a college or university associated with the Fellowship. You will find a complete list of member programs at www.winstonfellowship.org.

"...I hope that everyone involved with this fellowship realizes what a wonderful legacy you have created in honor of David Winston.... The Winston Fellowship will generate the next generation of health policy experts, and I will always be proud to say I was a Winston Fellow."

~ Chad Shearer
Director of Medical Institute at
United Health Fund
2003 Winston Fellow

"The Fellowship was a wonderful opportunity that provided unparalleled access to health policy experts. Every day of my one-year stint, I met with individuals from the top of their field and learned about the nuances of the issues from them. The Fellowship continues to be a resource and asset for my career in health policy."

~ Meghan Taira
Legislative Director to U.S.
Senate Minority Leader
Charles Schumer
2002 Winston Fellow



APPLICATION PROCESS

Application materials should be submitted directly to the Winston Fellowship by the applicant via the website (www.winstonfellowship.org) no later than 5:00 pm Pacific Time on **October 13, 2017**. There is no limit to the number of individuals that may apply from a single program. The application requires the following:

- A current **resume**.
- A **statement of interest** that details your motivation for a career in health policy, a description of what you hope to gain from the Fellowship, and how your experiences and education will complement the *David A. Winston Health Policy Fellowship*. The statement should not exceed 1,200 words.
- **Three letters of recommendation**, one from a current faculty member, one from a current or former supervisor, employer, or preceptor, and one from an individual who is knowledgeable about your academic and/or leadership experience.
- **Academic transcripts (both undergraduate and graduate)**. Transcripts may be photocopies and need not be sent through the university. Online grade reports **will not** be accepted unless sent directly from the registrar. A key to interpret coding on transcripts must accompany transcripts that do not use the A-F grading format.
- A narrative synopsis of your community involvement, including past and current **extracurricular and volunteer activities** in the community and on campus. Do not exceed one page.

“By providing unprecedented access to the health policy community in DC, the fellowship is like a ticket to a party that you didn’t even know existed, but that may change your life entirely once you do.”

~ Diana Birkett Rakow
Executive Vice President of Marketing and
Public Affairs for Group Health Cooperative,
2003 Winston Fellow

“To my knowledge, there is no other avenue that so fully immerses a post-graduate in the world of U.S. health policy. The experience is wholly unique, and it has taken me on a life path that I could not have conceived earlier, and probably would not have pursued, if it weren’t so generously presented to me. For anyone that is interested in entering the exciting and intellectually stimulating world of national health policy, and positively changing their professional lives in the process, this fellowship offers opportunities that are relatively endless.”

~ Jason D. Ormsby
Specialist Leader at Deloitte US
1999 Winston Fellow



SELECTION PROCESS

Complete applications must reach the Winston DC Office no later than 5:00 pm Pacific Time on October 13, 2017. Applications will be screened for completion and eligibility, then forwarded to the Board Selection Committee.

The Board Selection Committee will invite several nominees to Washington, DC for an interview in January 2018. Interviews will only be conducted on this date and an offer will be extended that day.

The Committee is particularly interested in:

- Evidence of interest in a career to which a domestic health policy experience will contribute
- An academic record which reflects breadth and scholarship
- Evidence of resourcefulness and self-reliance
- Evidence of leadership
- Evidence of community involvement
- Evidence of maturity

STIPENDS AND EXPENSES

The Fellowship winner(s) will be appointed to the Winston staff for purpose of salary and benefits administration.

The Fellowship stipend, which is taxable as regular income, is \$4,250 per month. A benefits program is also provided. The Fellowship provides up to \$2,500 for approved travel expenses incurred during Fellow’s

required relocation to Washington, DC. A budget is provided for the Fellow to travel to conferences and meetings. All other expenses are the responsibility of the Fellow.

FELLOWSHIP SCHEDULE

The Fellowship begins June 2018 and ends June 2019.

CONTACT INFORMATION

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“The David Winston Fellowship provided me with an invaluable and unique opportunity to understand the nature of health policy development and implementation from the perspective of a diverse group of national health policy leaders. I am not aware of any other fellowship that provides such a rich and varied experience.”

~ Roslyne (Weiner) Schulman
Director at the American
Hospital Association
1989 Winston Fellow

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2017

Michael Budros, MPH, MPP
University of Michigan
Rachel Dolin, PhD
University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

2016

Olivia Pham, MPH
University of North Carolina - Chapel Hill
Kripa Sreepada, MHA
Cornell University

2015

Adrianna McIntyre, MPP
University of Michigan
Lydia Orth, MPH
The George Washington University

2014

Leif H. Brierley, MPH
Boston University
KT Kramer, JD, MHA
Tulane University

2013

Anne Dwyer, JD, MPH
University of Minnesota
Colin Goldfinch, MPH, MHA
University of Washington-Seattle

2012

Elizabeth Karan, JD, MPH
University of Minnesota
Yajuan Lu, JD
University of Pittsburgh
Swarna Vallurupalli, JD, MPH-HP
St. Louis University

2011

Miraya Jun, MSPH
Johns Hopkins University
Jennifer Schmitzer, MPH
Yale University

2010

Erin Richardson, MA, JD
Columbia University
Catherine Oakar, MPH
University of Michigan

2009

John Barkett, MBA
University of Pennsylvania
Devon Trolley, MHA
Pennsylvania State University

2008

Andrew Roszak, JD, MPA
Southern Illinois University
Kelly Whitener, MPH
University of California-Los Angeles

2007

Elizabeth Lee, MPA
New York University
Tanchica Terry, MPH, MA
St. Louis University

2006

John Rigg, MPA, MHA
University of Washington-Seattle
Martin Sobel, MPA
New York University

2005

Mayra Alvarez, MHA
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

2004

Katie (Baker) Starkey, MS
Pennsylvania State University

Rachel Nuzum

University of Southern Florida

2003

Diana Birkett Rakow, MPH, MPA
University of Washington -Seattle
Chad Shearer, JD, MHA
University of Iowa

2002

Meghan Taira, MPH
Yale University

2001

Rochelle Archuleta, MBS, MHSA
University of Alabama, Birmingham

2000

Sybil Richard, RPH, MHA, JD
Indiana University

1999

Jason Ormsby, PhD, MBA, MHSA
Arizona State University

1998

Deborah (Veres) Mizeur, MHA
University of Washington-Seattle

1997

Suzanne Yurk, JD, MPH
Johns Hopkins University

1996

Anna Fallieras, MPH
Johns Hopkins University

1995

Kara (Morgan) Adams, MSPH
University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill

1994

Douglas Knoop, MD
University of Kentucky

1993

Brad Hansen, MA
University of Iowa

1992

Rosann Geiser, MHA
Xavier University

1991

John Meurer, MD, MM
Northwestern University

1990

Christina Bethell, PhD, MBA, MPH
University of California - Berkeley

1989

Roslyne (Weiner) Schulman, MHA
University of Pittsburgh

1988

Jereen (Mackesy) Gilbert, MM
Northwestern University