

# 2019 AAFP VACCINE SCIENCE FELLOWSHIP Deadline: March 22, 2019

The American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP) has two vaccine science fellowship positions available for family physicians. The selected fellows will work with mentors to become more familiar about vaccine science and policy.

The AAFP is celebrating its 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Vaccine Science Fellowship Program! The overall intent of the program is to develop a cadre of family physicians interested in and knowledgeable about vaccine issues and help address the interface between public health and the family medicine community.

#### **ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS**

- Applicant must be an active category member of the American Academy of Family Physicians, in practice or teaching, and out of residency and fellowship.
- Applicant must be a U.S. citizen.
- Applicant must submit a curriculum vitae (CV) and letter of interest.
- Applicant must complete <u>option 2 of the AAFP's conflict of interest form</u>. In addition, applicant must have minimal or no FINANCIAL conflicts of interest related to entities that provide manufacturing and/or distribution of vaccines or related products. (*Priority will be given to applicants that are free of conflicts of interest*).
- Each applicant must devote approximately 10% of full-time employment (FTE) for one year.
- Applicant's institution, practice and/or department chair must submit a letter agreeing to commit 10% of FTE protected time for the applicant to complete the fellowship.
- Applicant must commit to travel time for appropriate meetings (see Meeting Table)
   Fellowship Description). Please Note: The fellows will be required to attend one of
   the following Advisory Committee on Immunization Practices meetings: June 26 27, 2019 or October 23-24, 2019 in Atlanta, Georgia.
- Because funding support for the AAFP Vaccine Science Fellowships is provided by Merck & Co., Inc., the selected applicants may be disclosed by Merck and posted on a public website by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services as covered recipients under the Physician Payments Sunshine Act, codified at 42 CFR, Parts 402 and 403. The funder will have no input into or control over selection of fellows or content of the fellowships.

### SUBMITTING YOUR FELLOWSHIP APPLICATION

To apply, please submit the following materials to <u>Pamela Carter-Smith, MPA</u>, Clinical Policies Strategist:

- CV
- Letter of Interest
- Complete option 2 of the Conflict of Interest form
- Letter from your institution and/or department chair stating that it is agreed that 10% of FTE protected time will be allowed for you to complete the fellowship program.
- Photo of applicant

## **REVIEW COMMITTEE & SELECTION**

Applications will be reviewed, and awardees selected by a review committee independent of any supporter involvement. **The awardees will be notified via e-mail by March 28, 2019**.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION:**

Supporting application materials (Letter of Interest, CV, Institutional or Department Letter), and photo should be emailed by March 22, 2019, to:

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Applications will be acknowledged via email upon receipt. If acknowledgement has not been received, please contact Ms. Carter-Smith at <a href="mailto:pcarter@aafp.org">pcarter@aafp.org</a>.

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