

40
years

PREPARING LEADERS

in Health Policy and Practice

The **Robert Wood Johnson Foundation (RWJF) Health Policy Fellows** program celebrates its 40th year at the nexus of health policy, collaboration, and practice. Its fellows participate in health policy processes at the federal level and gain exclusive, hands-on policy experience.

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FELLOWS 1973–2013

WHAT ARE THEIR PROFESSIONS?



27%
FAMILY PRACTICE



25%
MEDICAL
SPECIALTIES



10.5%
NURSING



9.5%
PEDIATRICS



6.5%
DENTISTRY



6.5%
PUBLIC HEALTH



5.5%
SOCIAL SCIENCE



9.5%
OTHER

"The rest of my life started the day I heard I had gotten this fellowship. And there's been no looking back ever since then."
– Karen Hein, MD (1993–94)

"The fellowship changed the way I see everything. The world changes from a checker board to a chess board."
– Jay Gershen, DDS, PhD (1982–83)

"[The program] opens doors you would not believe. It opens doors you don't even know exist."
– Kira Bacal, MD, PhD, MPH (2004–05)

"Most of the other programs offer no more than you can read in a book. After the RWJF program, fellows can write the book."
– Mark Carlson, MD, MA (2002–03)

WHERE WERE THEY PLACED?

SENATE

60%

FEDERAL AGENCY

12%

HOUSE

28%

More about the RWJF Health Policy Fellows Program

- The program is funded by RWJF, and conducted by the Institute of Medicine (IOM) and the National Academies.
- The program is nonpartisan.
- Diversity is an important component of the program: geographical, professional, racial/ethnic, gender, etc.
- The program offers unmatched leadership development activities, and a professional network that lasts a lifetime.