PREPARING LEADERS in Health Policy and Practice

The Robert Wood Johnson Fellowship (RWJF) Health Policy Fellows program celebrates its 40-year milestone. Its fellows participate in health policy processes at the federal level and gain exclusive, hands-on policy experience.

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

“...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 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?

- **60%** Senate
- **28%** House
- **12%** Federal Agency

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.