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I am writing to provide information about the Parker B. Francis Fellowship Program. The program funds three-year career development awards (\$156K over three years). Since its beginning in 1976, the PBF Fellowship Program has supported more than 750 new investigators.

The Parker B. Francis Fellowship program is open to new investigators with M.D. or Ph.D. degrees, or their equivalent, who are embarking on careers in pulmonary science. Most successful candidates have two to five years of research experience at the time of fellowship application. Candidates with fewer years of research experience are usually not competitive. Candidates with more than seven years of research experience are discouraged from applying unless specific circumstances (such as a change of field) justify additional training at the fellowship level. Candidates are expected to have participated as an author on a minimum of two or three research publications.

Institutions may have only two Parker B. Francis Fellows in the same department at a given time and a department may submit no more than one application annually.

Applications for Fellowships will not be considered for funding if either the mentor or the Fellow has a relationship with the tobacco industry.

The application deadline is October 12, 2009 for awards with start dates of July 1, 2010. Further information about this program and grant application forms and instructions can be found at:
<http://www.francisfellowships.org/>

Please feel free to contact either me directly or Deborah Snapp, the PBF Fellowship Program Administrator (dsnapp@u.washington.edu), if you have questions about the PBF Fellowship Program.

Sincerely,

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