

2019-20 Harkness/B. Braun Stiftung Fellowships in Health Care Policy and Practice Call for Applications

The Commonwealth Fund, in collaboration with B. Braun Stiftung, invites promising mid-career professionals—government policymakers, academic researchers, clinical leaders, hospital and insurance managers, and journalists—from Germany to apply for a unique opportunity to spend up to 12 months in the United States as a Harkness Fellow in Health Care Policy and Practice. Established by The Commonwealth Fund in 1925, the Harkness Fellowships were modeled after the Rhodes Scholarships and aim to produce the next generation of health policy leaders in participating countries.

Fellows are placed with mentors who are leading U.S. experts at organizations such as Harvard University, Stanford University, Kaiser Permanente, and the Institute for Healthcare Improvement to study issues relevant to the Fund’s mission to support a high performing health care system — insurance coverage, access, and affordability; health care delivery system reforms (e.g. bundled payments, accountable care organizations, innovative approaches to care for high need/high cost patients, better models of primary care for vulnerable populations); cost containment; and other critical issues on the health policy agenda in both the U.S. and their home countries. A peer-reviewed journal article or policy report for Health Ministers and other high-level policy audiences is the anticipated product of the fellowship. Harkness Fellows have published their findings in top-tier journals, including: *BMJ*, *Health Affairs*, and *Deutsches Arzteblatt*. Other products, more relevant to frontline delivery system innovation, will also be considered.

Each fellowship provides up to U.S. \$130,000 in support, which covers roundtrip airfare to the U.S., living allowance, project-related travel, travel to fellowship seminars, health insurance, and U.S. federal and state taxes. A family supplement (i.e. \$60,000 for partner and two children up to age 18) is also provided to cover airfare, living allowance, and health insurance.

The Commonwealth Fund values diversity, equity, and inclusion and strongly encourages applicants who come from all backgrounds and sections of the community to.

November 12, 2018 is the deadline for receipt of applications from Germany.

Further Information

Visit: www.commonwealthfund.org/fellowships/harkness-fellowships-health-care-policy-and-practice

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The Commonwealth Fund is a private foundation, established in 1918 and based in New York, which aims to promote a high performing health care system that achieves better access, improved quality, and greater efficiency, particularly for society’s most vulnerable, including low-income people, the uninsured, and people of color.