

# The Eleanor and Miles Shore Fiftieth Anniversary Fellowship Program for Scholars in Medicine

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#### Profile of HMS Faculty

11,215 faculty members located at HMS and 17 affiliated institutions (Instructors, Assistant Professors, Associate Professors, and Full Professors)

Majority of faculty located in clinical departments with no tenure clock

## Harvard Medical and Dental Schools Growth in Percentage of Women Full Time Faculty by Rank (1980-2010)





### Origin of Fellowship

- Celebration in 1995 of 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Admission of Women to HMS in 1945
  - ■Two Weekends of Panels, Symposia, Lectures
  - Time Line of Women's Contributions at HMS 1847-1991
  - Celebratory Dinner with Announcement of a Fiftieth Anniversary Fellowship Program

(Renamed the Eleanor and Miles Shore Fiftieth Anniversary Fellowship Program in 2005)



#### Description of Fellowship -- I

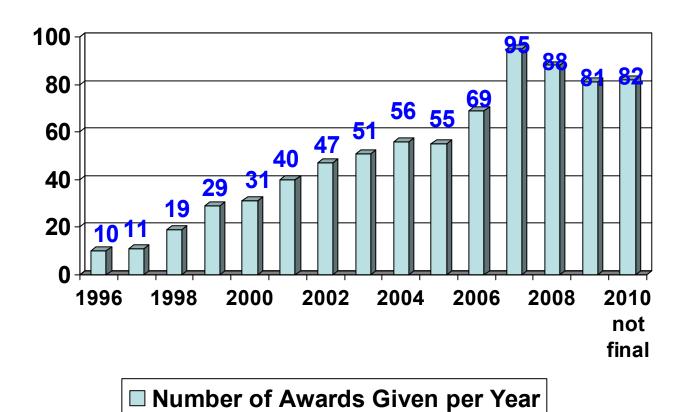
- Purpose: to enhance the quality and diversity of HMS faculty at all ranks
- Commitment: to Raise Ten \$25,000 Fellowships per Year for 5 Years
- Stipends for buying protected time or additional laboratory assistance
- First Awards: July 1996, 10
- <u>Total Awards</u>: 1996-2010, 764



#### Description of Fellowship -- II

- Selection criteria:
  - academic promise
  - obstacles to continuing an academic career
    - Personal (child care, elder care, family illness)
    - Heavy clinical load
- Both men and women may apply
- Size of Fellowship in 2010:
  - Majority = \$30,000/yr, but some = \$50,000/yr

#### Awards Given 1996-2010





### Survey Results, 2004-2005

Response Rate		71%
■ Promotions within HMS		40%
Publications		94%
Original Articles	85%	
Proceedings/Reviews	80%	
■Case Reports	33%	
External Funding		86%
■ Federal	62%	

51%

■ Foundation or Industry



## Intangible Benefits Reported by Respondents

- Increased support from chief and department
- Improved morale when obstacles might have seemed insurmountable
- Continued departmental support after fellowship ended
- Increased visibility within department and discipline
  - Reports in Focus and Gazette
  - Public celebration of awardees in reception hosted by the Dean

#### Essence of the Fall Celebration

- Faculty Sponsors, Department and Division Heads, and CEO's are invited to attend to congratulate and have pictures taken with their fellows
- Family members including children, spouses, and parents may attend
- Booklets are distributed with an extensive paragraph from every recipient re the project to be undertaken during the year.
- Slides on large screens highlight the faculty sponsors for each fellow as s/he is called forward







#### **Donors - 2009**

- Schools, Hospitals, Research Institutes
  - **13**
- Departments
  - **18**
- Divisions
  - **5**
- Individual Donors
  - **5**



#### **Financial Facts**

- Funding for Present Use Only— Not Endowed
- 2010 Support of Junior Faculty
  - More than \$2.4 Million
- Fifteen Year Cumulative Support
  - More than \$23 Million
- Endowment that would be needed to sustain at current level = \$60 Million (at Harvard's 2009 payout rate of 4.1%)

## Benefits to Departments and Divisions

- Increased academic activity by recipients
- Increased external support for recipients in future years
- Stronger publications to share outcome of research or clinical projects
- Higher academic ranks for recipients, with increased ability to assume leadership roles in department and externally

#### Requirements to Sustain Program

- 1. Commitment of Medical School Leadership, particularly Dean of the Faculty of Medicine and Dean for Faculty Affairs, Dr. Maureen Connelly
- 2. Conviction of Hospitals, Departments, Divisions that there is a significant return on their investment.
- 3. Contribution of time and effort on part of Office for Faculty Affairs, fundraising committee, and selection committees (with support for the reception from the Office for Resource Development).

## Plans for Growing the Program

Additional departmental participation

Additional divisional participation

### Progress

- Increase in percentage representation of women at each faculty rank
- 14.7% women full professors (134/867) in 2010
  - Up from 7 % in 1996
- 26.6% women associate professors in 2010
  - Up from 15% in 1996
- Problems: Assessing results without a comparison group, and correlating results from a single program when multiple programs exist simultaneously



#### Goals for Future

Fund more Fellowships for two years

■ Increase stipend amounts (presently most funded at \$30,000 but some at \$50,000/yr)

Extend program to associate professors