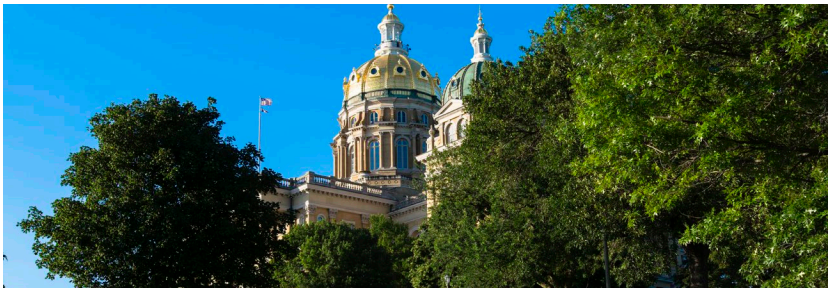


# STACEY CYPHERT HEALTH POLICY FELLOWSHIP

**The Stacey Cyphert Health Policy Fellowship is a one-year fellowship at University of Iowa Health Care that provides fellows with a unique opportunity to learn about Iowa's political system through direct exposure to public and private sector roles in health policy development. By working alongside faculty, executives, and policy professionals throughout state and federal government, fellows gain immense experience and mentorship that prepares them for excellent placements in health policy roles across the country.**



## FELLOWSHIP STRUCTURE\*

The fellowship is structured so that the fellow rotates through three distinct placements over the course of the year to gain exposure to the central areas of health policy development: academia, government, and stakeholder organizations.

The first three months of the fellowship will be spent at a health policy research center, where the fellow will work on projects that align with the fellow's interests. The second three months of the fellowship will be spent at a government agency (in Iowa or Washington, D.C.) or a stakeholder organization that is chosen based on the fellow's career objectives and policy interests. The final six months of the fellowship will be spent with UI Health Care policy staff during the Iowa legislative session. Throughout this placement, the fellow will help advance UI Health Care policy priorities by working at the state Capitol, regularly attending session debates and committee meetings, communicating with state officials about policy issues, providing analysis on introduced bills and measures, and collaborating with other stakeholders on shared priorities.

By the end of the year, the fellow will have gained immense practical knowledge and work experience in the world of health policy, in addition to countless professional contacts and mentors.

\*Due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic the fellowship may be modified to meet requirements imposed by University of Iowa Health Care and the state of Iowa. Changes to the fellowship could include, but are not limited to: requirement to work from home; limitations on research and outside placement opportunities; and requirement to complete work using online platforms.



## UI Health Care

University of Iowa Health Care is committed to providing patient-focused care—available to every person, around the clock—in an environment devoted to innovative care, excellent service, and exceptional outcomes. University of Iowa Hospitals and Clinics is Iowa's only comprehensive academic medical center and handles a volume of more than 1 million patient visits each year.

Forbes Magazine named University of Iowa Health Care as the No. 10 employer for diversity in the health care industry category and in the top 50 in all industries (2020).

## ELIGIBILITY

Any current master's degree or professional student that will graduate in spring 2020 with an MPH, MHA, JD, or MD is eligible to apply. Recent graduates are also encouraged to apply. Students who have studied or have professional experience with the federal Medicare and Medicaid programs will be given preference.

## COMPENSATION

The fellow will be paid an annual stipend at market rate. Additionally, the fellow will receive full-time employee benefits, including health benefits and paid time off.

## APPLICATION PROCESS

To apply, candidates must provide the following materials by **Friday, December 18, 2020:**

- Cover letter (salutation: Jennifer Harbison, director of health policy)
- Résumé
- Personal statement explaining why the applicant is seeking the fellowship, including a discussion of qualifications and career objectives
- Official graduate school transcripts
- Two letters of recommendation, each sealed separately

These documents should be sealed in a packet and mailed to the following address:

Jennifer Harbison  
University of Iowa Health Care  
100 Court Avenue, Suite 405  
Des Moines, IA 50309

## MORE INFORMATION

For further information about the fellowship and the application process, please visit [uihealthcare.org/policy-fellowship](http://uihealthcare.org/policy-fellowship).

Candidates can email Jennifer Harbison at [jennifer-harbison@uiowa.edu](mailto:jennifer-harbison@uiowa.edu) with questions.



### Des Moines, Iowa

The fellowship will be located in Des Moines, Iowa.

U.S. News ranked Des Moines as the No. 4 "Best Place to Live" in the United States and the state of Iowa as the No. 1 "Best State."

Downtown Des Moines offers cultural events and festivals; shops; locally-owned restaurants and bars; and plenty of bike trails, parks, and lakes, which provide opportunities for outdoor recreation.



### About Stacey Cyphert

This fellowship was created and is supported in honor of Stacey Cyphert, PhD, who, throughout his career was instrumental in shaping health policy in the state of Iowa and developing a strong relationship among University of Iowa Health Care and state and federal government. In his work as assistant vice president for health policy for University of Iowa Health Care, he was a trusted advisor to leadership at the university, in the state legislature, and at the federal level. He was highly respected by all who knew him and routinely took on difficult issues, brought people together to create positive solutions, and ensured their successful execution. Selected fellows should seek to exemplify his character and convictions by engaging in superb work throughout the course of the fellowship and crafting substantive relationships with colleagues, elected officials, executives, and others.