

Funding Alert

Robert Wood Johnson Foundation

Health Equity Scholars for Action (HES4A)

For early-career researchers and junior faculty conducting health equity research

Health Equity Scholars for Action (HES4A) provides participants who have historically had less power, opportunity, or voice than others with the support, resources, and community they need to succeed in work and life.

The goal of HES4A is to support the career development and academic progress of faculty conducting health equity research. Grants will be awarded to address the challenges that historically marginalized faculty typically experience and help them overcome obstacles to earning tenure. HES4A projects focus on transformative, action-oriented evidence addressing structural barriers and are aligned with RWJF's mission to achieve equity. The program welcomes applications that apply an intersectional approach, with the aim of improving social, political, and economic conditions that support health and health equity.

HES4A scholars receive:

- Funding for transformative, action-oriented research that gets us to health equity faster.
- A technical mentor and a career coach who will help them build their skills, learn about career opportunities, and connect them with supportive people in their field, all based on their personal needs.
- Membership in a collaborative of like-minded colleagues and organizations that share ideas, work toward common goals, and find solutions so that everyone has a fair and equal chance to be as healthy as possible.

Learn more and apply today.

Deadline: November 6, 2025 (3 p.m. ET)

Number of awards: 15 awards

Award amount: Up to \$260,000

Use of funds: Up to 70 percent of scholar's salary for two years capped at \$75,000 per year
