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### **Scholarship in Integrative Medicine Announced for a Health Practitioners**

OCT. 27, 2009 – The Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine today announced two (2) \$15,000 scholarships for the Fellowship in Integrative Medicine, available to health practitioners that work with underserved populations.

This scholarship is available to physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants who practice in rural areas and in community health centers. These two scholarships are designated for Fellows that begin their studies in January 2010.

Founded in 2000 by Andrew Weil, MD, the Fellowship is a two-year, 1000-hour distance-learning program for physicians, nurse practitioners and physician assistants that utilizes state-of-the-art online educational techniques. Fellows come to Tucson, Ariz. for three separate experiential residential weeks during the course of their two years of study. The Fellowship curriculum is specifically designed for progressive learning, and is created by nationally-recognized experts and faculty from a variety of disciplines, modalities and philosophies.

“These scholarships were created to give medical practitioners in underserved communities the opportunity to deepen their medical education in integrative medicine, to improve patients’ health and promote wellness,” said Tieraona Low Dog, MD, director of the Fellowship and clinical associate professor of medicine at the Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine, at the University of Arizona College of Medicine. “Our mission is to transform health care by supporting a community of healers, and the best way to do that is to make our internationally-recognized education accessible to rural practitioners.”

To apply for this scholarship, applicants must submit a letter explaining their work with underserved populations, the motivation for their work, and how completion of the Fellowship in Integrative Medicine will benefit the practitioner and his/her community. Applicants must also submit a letter from their institution director endorsing their work and application to the Fellowship. These documents can be emailed directly to [imfellow@email.arizona.edu](mailto:imfellow@email.arizona.edu). Fellowship application information can be found at [www.azcim.org/Fellowship/](http://www.azcim.org/Fellowship/). Application deadline for this scholarship is Dec. 15, 2009.

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*The Arizona Center for Integrative Medicine leads the transformation of health care by creating, educating and actively supporting a community that embodies the philosophy and practice of healing-oriented medicine, addressing mind, body and spirit. Integrative medicine is healing-oriented and makes use of conventional and alternative therapies as appropriate. Since its inception, the Center has focused its efforts on three areas: education, clinical care and research, with the primary emphasis on education. We built the Center on the premise that the best way to change a field is to educate the most gifted professionals and place them in settings where they can, in turn, teach others. To learn more about the Center, visit [www.azcim.org](http://www.azcim.org).*

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