Colleagues,

In 2008-9 academic year, the Department of Medicine established the **Robert Dawson Evans Junior Faculty Merit Award** to recognize and reward outstanding junior faculty investigators. I am pleased to announce that this award will be granted again in 2010-11 and that we are now seeking applications. **The award provides two years of support at $75,000 per year for a total amount of $150,000.** The funds can be used for research-related activities such as salary, equipment, and supplies.

The selection criteria for the Evans Junior Faculty Merit Award are as follows:

1. Outstanding record of scholarship and research;
2. Rank of Assistant Professor or Research Assistant Professor;
3. Likelihood of superior productivity and accomplishment in the future;
4. Receipt of at least one successful peer-reviewed grant since joining the faculty.

Individuals who have not previously received a start-up package (i.e., funds for research supplies, equipment, or personnel) will be given preference by the review committee. We anticipate that at least two recipients of the award will be selected by a committee comprised of senior faculty, the Vice Chair for Research, and the Department Chair.

Eligible faculty in the Department of Medicine should provide the following materials to Ms. Kirstin Salmela at kirstin.salmela@bmc.org (617 638 7254) by **Friday, May 14, 2010:**

1. A one page summary of past research accomplishments and future research goals;
2. A description of institutional resources provided to the faculty member since joining the faculty;
3. An updated C.V. that includes past, current, and pending grant support, honors, mentoring activities, and a brief description of any clinical or educational responsibilities.

Please contact me or Dr. Barbara Corkey if you have any questions about this award. I encourage all eligible faculty to apply. Thank you for your consideration.

David Coleman, M.D.

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