# Mentorship and Sponsorship

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## Mentorship Matters



Strong mentorship has been linked to:

- Enhanced Research productivity
- Enhanced self-efficacy
- Higher career satisfaction
- Enhanced recruitment and retention of individuals from underrepresented groups

Cho, 2011, Feldman 2010, Garman 2001, Palepu 1998, Ramana 2002, Sambunjak 2006, Sorkness 2017

#### What is mentoring?



"Is a reciprocal, dynamic relationship between mentor (or mentoring team) and mentee that promotes the satisfaction and/or development of both."



## Mentoring is comprehensive

- Mentoring is collaborative
- Mentoring is dynamic and longitudinal
  - Relationship changes over time where expectations must be consciously negotiated
- Both the mentee and mentor are "learners"
  - the mentee learning skills for productivity and career advancement
  - the mentor learning about the mentee to effectively nurture the growth
- Supports both the career and psychosocial development of mentee



The **coach** improves (talks to you)

Job performance

### Coach, Mentor, Sponsor



The **mentor** guides (talks with you)

Career-oriented



The **sponsor** nominates (talks about you)
Leadership-oriented



Closure

Cultivation

Alignment

**Selection** 

**Preparing self** 

Zerzan J, Academic Medicine 2009, 84:140-44

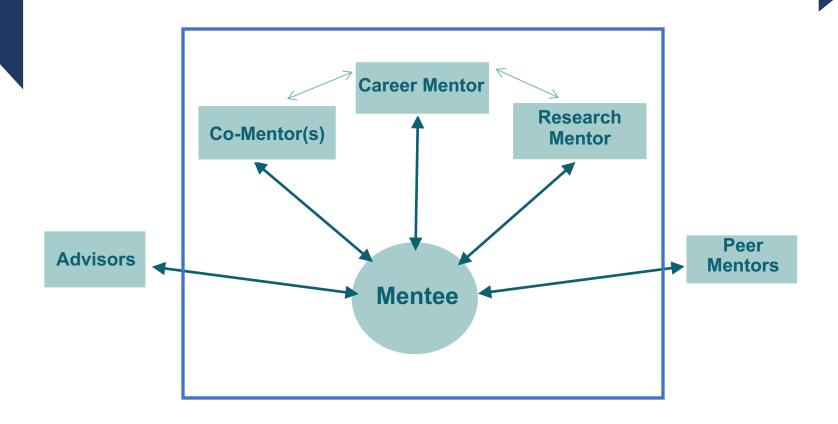


#### Cultivating the Mentor-Mentee Relationship

#### Mentee Manages Up

- Means taking ownership of the relationship
- Express needs
- Set and agree on goals and expectations
- Be responsive and flexible
- Plan and set the meeting agenda
- Follow regular meeting schedule
- Ask about mentor's communications preference
- Ask questions
- Actively listen
- Follow through with tasks and commitments
- Ask for feedback

#### **Mentoring Team**



#### THANK YOU

