Virtual Global Mentoring: Now More than Ever

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Symposium Overview

- Introduction and Overview on Virtual Mentoring
  Jacob Van Dyk, DSc. Professor Emeritus, Depts Oncology & Medical Biophysics, Western University, London, Ontario, Canada
- Mentoring Across Oceans: Experiences, Benefits and Pitfalls
  Lisa Hirschhorn, MD MPH, Professor of Medical Social Science, Northwestern University Feinberg Medical School, Evanston, IL
- Mentoring with Social and Emotional Intelligence – the Role of Personal Narrative
  Bennett Goldberg, PhD. Director of Searle Center for Advancing Learning and Teaching; Assistant Provost for Learning and Teaching; Professor of Physics and Astronomy, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL
- Mentoring Activities Within the AAPM
  Robert Jeraj, PhD. Professor, Medical Physics, University of Wisconsin, Madison, WI
Mentoring

• Collaborative relationship between two people with the goal of professional and personal development
  • Mentor
    • Person with more experience or knowledge who provides guidance
  • Mentee
    • Person with less experience or knowledge
      • Guided by mentor
• Virtual mentoring
  • Participants meet via internet tools rather than face-to-face
  • E-mail, Skype, Zoom, MS Teams, web meetings, chats, social media

Factors Impacting Mentoring

• Immediate
• Institutional
• Societal
• Global

Prasad et al. Am J Trop Hyg 100(Suppl 1) 9-14; 2019
Summary

• Conceptual framework
  • Helps inform creation of structures and processes for development of effective mentorship programs
• Onus is on mentee to initiate, maintain, and use mentorship interactions to benefit one’s career
• Mentorship is a dynamic between mentor and mentee
  • Beneficial to both