

Mentorship Update

Summer 2020

Dear Mentors,

In light of the current pandemic restrictions many individuals have used virtual platforms to pursue mentorship opportunities. Virtual mentorship is an excellent option to continue to develop clinical reasoning strategies through case studies and group discussions.

The current mentorship guidelines recommend that no more than 50% of direct mentorship should be completed remotely. With various restrictions still in place regarding in-person interactions and social distancing the Education Committee wants to ensure that candidates are able to continue to work towards their mentorship requirements while respecting local, provincial and federal authorities. Special consideration regarding the portion of direct mentorship hours obtained virtually may be made if provincial restrictions or local health authorities do not allow for in-person mentoring.

In order to support our mentors, this fall we will be providing an online module that will include examples of how to facilitate a virtual mentorship session to ensure a positive and productive virtual mentorship experience for both the mentor and the mentee. Further details to follow.

If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out.

Best regards,

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Mentorship Chair