



American Academy
for Cerebral Palsy and
Developmental Medicine

Mentorship Award Nomination Letter

Describe why this person should be recognized:

In no more than 3 pages (11pt font, 0.5 inch margins, single spaced), describe your relationship with your nominee and why you feel he/she exemplifies excellence as a mentor. The mentor must be a member of the American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine.

The mentorship award nominee may exhibit outstanding mentorship in any or all of the following areas:

Promotes Student/Staff/Junior Faculty Interests

- Describe how the mentor provides opportunities and support for mentees interested in projects or presentations related to cerebral palsy and other childhood-onset disabilities.
- Describe how the mentor provides opportunities and support for interdisciplinary staff, residents/fellows/junior faculty interested in the care of individuals with cerebral palsy and other childhood onset disabilities.

Provides Research Guidance and Productivity

- Describe how the mentor supports research or additional projects in the areas of cerebral palsy and/or other childhood onset disabilities.
- Describe how the mentor promotes team science or interdisciplinary science in their research.
- Describe how the mentor demonstrates successful mentorship through the productivity of their mentees (including undergraduate/post graduate students), including mentee presentations, publications, and securing competitive research funding related to cerebral palsy and other childhood-onset disabilities.

Provides Clinical Guidance

- Describe how the mentor supports clinical interests or encourage/guide problem solving in complex clinical cases to advance the care of individuals with cerebral palsy and other childhood onset disabilities.
- Describe how the mentor promotes/supports interdisciplinary care for individuals with cerebral palsy or other childhood onset disabilities.

Promotes Professionalism

- Describe how the mentor models good professional behavior for mentees he or she works with.
- Describe how the mentor helps their mentee make professional connections and network with researchers/clinicians who care for individuals with cerebral palsy and other childhood onset disabilities.

Exemplary Personal Characteristics

- What about the mentor makes him/her special and different from others who you have been mentored by?

Impact

- Describe the impact the mentor had on your research and/or clinical career. How has this mentor shaped your career?
- How has the mentor impacted the research and/or care for individuals with cerebral palsy or other childhood onset disabilities?
- What is the length of time and level of involvement the nominee has with the American Academy of Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Medicine (i.e. committee or board of directors, or other activities with AACPDM).

KEEP IN MIND: How has the mentor guided and supported mentees towards their professional careers while encouraging research and/or clinical care of individuals with cerebral palsy and other childhood onset disabilities?