Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the National Research Mentoring Network Committee on Institutional Cooperation Academic Network (NRMN-CAN)*, it is our pleasure to invite you to a fully funded training workshop on effectively facilitating mentor training programming, designed to support your efforts to promote positive research mentor-mentee relationships.

**Facilitating Mentor Training Workshop**

**Dates:** March 7-8, 2016  
March 7: 8:00am - 4:00pm; March 8: 8:00am - 12:00pm

**Location:** Big Ten Conference Center, 5440 Park Place, Rosemont, IL 60018

Participants will learn about evidence-based approaches to mentor training and gain the knowledge, confidence, and facilitation skills needed to develop implementation plans and launch training for their own campus. Break out groups will focus on specific curricula including:

- **Mentor Training for Clinical and Translational Researchers** for the mentors of junior faculty, post-docs, and graduate students across the full spectrum of translational science

- **Mentor Training for Biomedical Researchers** for mentors of graduate students and post-docs engaged in basic biomedical research, primarily conducted in teams in a laboratory setting.

- **Mentor Training for Clinical and Behavioral Researchers** for mentors of both clinical and behavioral researchers working with human subjects, whether it be at the individual, group, or societal level.

- **Research Mentor Training** for all mentors of undergraduate students across the science disciplines including faculty, graduate student and postdoctoral mentors.

*Mentor training materials* are based on curricula in the *Entering Mentoring* series.

**Workshop Elements and Expected Outcomes**

- Experience the process-based approach to mentor and mentee training
- Develop the knowledge and skills to implement mentor training
- Become familiar with the research mentor training curricula
- Gain confidence in facilitation skills
- Be able to describe evidence supporting the effectiveness of mentor training
- Be able to articulate practical plans for implementing mentor training at home institution
Qualifications:

- Faculty, Instructors, Staff or Administrators from the CIC Academic Network.
- Participants must be committed to implementing Mentor Training workshops on their home campus during 2016. This entails 8 contact hours with your target group of mentors.
- When you register, select your desired group of mentors for whom you will facilitate training on your campus. For example, clinical or translational faculty who mentor junior faculty, postdocs, or graduate students; or graduate student or postdoctoral researchers who mentor undergraduates, etc.
- The fields of the mentors being trained should fall under the category of NIH funded research.

If you are interested in this training opportunity, please register by completing the following:

Step 1: Create a profile on the NRMN website at http://www.NRMNet.net/Big10FTW

- When you begin, you'll be prompted to identify yourself as either a "mentor" or a "mentee." Please select "mentor."

- When asked “from which organization/program did you learn about NRMN?”, please select “other” from the drop-down menu and type in “NRMN-CAN” in the box that appears.

- When asked if you would like to register for Virtual Mentoring, you may wish to select “not now.” If you are interested in participating in this program, please note that it will require you to answer additional questions. You may prefer to log in at a later date to complete this step.

Step 2: Complete the program application at http://goo.gl/forms/JmNHbRVPbg

The deadline to register is January 15, 2016.

Enrollment is limited to 40 participants. Registration and travel expenses for this workshop are supported by the NRMN-CAN. Confirmation emails, to include travel instructions and additional workshop details, will be sent by 1/29/16.

Please contact Laurie Risner at lrisner1@peds.bsd.uchicago.edu with any questions.

Best regards,

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Amber Cox, Associate Director, Committee on Institutional Cooperation

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