Mentee Application
NCI Research to Reality Mentorship Program

If you are interested in becoming a mentee in the Research to Reality Mentorship Program, please complete the following questions.

Name:		
Title:		
Degree(s):		
Organization/Agency:		
Street Address:		
City:	**State:**	**Zip:**
Phone:	**Fax:**	
Email:		

Section 1: Prior Experience

In addition to submitting a resume/CV, please answer the following questions regarding your experience.

1.1 How much of your job involves planning or implementing health promotion or cancer control programs?

- ☐ All (> 95%)
- ☐ Most (65-95%)
- ☐ About half (35-65%)
- ☐ Some (< 35%)
- ☐ Don't Know/Prefer Not to Answer

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1.2 In the last 12 months have you….

	Yes	No	Don't know/Prefer Not to Answer
developed/implemented your own intervention?	☐	☐	☐
implemented an intervention developed by someone else?	☐	☐	☐
adapted an intervention someone else developed?	☐	☐	☐
Evaluated an intervention developed by you or someone else?	☐	☐	☐

1.3 Are/have you engaged in a comprehensive cancer control coalition in a state, tribe, territory, or US Jurisdiction, or at a local level?

☐ Yes, currently   ☐ Yes, in the past   ☐ No, never

1.3.1 If yes, please briefly explain your involvement with the Cancer Control Planning and experience with Cancer Control Coalitions (at the State, Tribe, Territory, or US jurisdiction, or local level)

Section 2: Competency Assessment

Below are the six competency areas that the Mentorship Program will target. This competency assessment will help in the selection and matching of mentees with mentors.

2.1 Please rate your ability in the following competencies (1=none; 4=expert):

Competency	1	2	3	4
Analytic/Assessment Skills				
Recognize how the data illuminate ethical, political, scientific, economic, and overall public health issues	☐	☐	☐	☐
Identify relevant and appropriate data information source	☐	☐	☐	☐
Make relevant inferences from data	☐	☐	☐	☐
Determine appropriate uses and limitations of both qualitative and quantitative data	☐	☐	☐	☐
Policy Development/Program Planning Skills				
Collect, summarize, and interpret information relevant to an issue	☐	☐	☐	☐
Utilize current techniques in decision analysis and health planning	☐	☐	☐	☐
Develop a plan to implement policy, including goals, outcomes, and process objectives and implementation steps	☐	☐	☐	☐
Cultural Competency Skills				
Apply principles of cultural appropriateness to program design	☐	☐	☐	☐
Interact sensitively and effectively with persons from diverse backgrounds	☐	☐	☐	☐
Identify role of cultural, social, and behavioral factors in determining delivery of public health services	☐	☐	☐	☐
Develop and adapt approaches to problems that take into account differences among populations	☐	☐	☐	☐

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Competency	1	2	3	4
Public Health Science Skills				
Apply basic public health sciences	☐	☐	☐	☐
Identify and retrieve current relevant scientific evidence	☐	☐	☐	☐
Identify the limitations of research and the importance of observations and interrelationships	☐	☐	☐	☐
Partnership, Collaboration, and Community Engagement Skills				
Define a health issue according to the needs and assets of the population/community	☐	☐	☐	☐
Establish and maintain linkages and/or partnerships with key stakeholders (including traditional, nontraditional, and academic partners).	☐	☐	☐	☐
Evaluate expertise and resources, including partnerships and collaborations, needed to implement evidence-based cancer control interventions	☐	☐	☐	☐
Utilize negotiation and conflict resolution skills to build community partnerships	☐	☐	☐	☐
Advocacy and Communication Skills				
Effectively present accurate demographic, statistical, programmatic, and scientific information for professional and lay audiences	☐	☐	☐	☐
Advocate for public health programs and resources	☐	☐	☐	☐
Identify policy options and write clear and concise policy statements	☐	☐	☐	☐

2.2 While it is hoped that through your participation you will improve your capacity in all six core competencies areas, mentees are asked to select at least two competency areas in which they want to prioritize their focus. Please indicate the competency area(s) on which you would like to focus (minimum of two):

☐ Analytic/Assessment Skills   ☐ Basic Public Health Science Skills
☐ Policy Development/Program Planning   ☐ Partnership, Collaboration, and
Skills   Community Engagement Skills
☐ Cultural Competency Skills   ☐ Advocacy and Communication Skills

Section 3: Mentee Project and Mentoring

3.1 A component of this program is the completion of an individual project to learn and apply the skills you will gain through this experience. In a separate document, please briefly (< 500 words) describe your proposed project, including: how it meets the needs of your organization and fits in with your current work; how a mentor will be helpful; and how it will address your prioritized competency area (*examples of sample projects can be found on the Mentorship webpage or in the program materials*).

3.2 If you are accepted into the program, what, if any, specific traits/expertise of your mentor are important to you?

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Section 4: Program Participation and Travel

Participation in all program activities is mandatory and certain activities will require travel. Please answer whether you will be able to meet these requirements below.

4.1 Does your organization permit you to travel in your position? (*NOTE: Travel costs to be covered by NCI*)

☐ Yes
☐ No
    Comments:

4.2 The kick-off meeting will be held <mark>DATE TO BE INSERTED</mark> in Bethesda, MD. This is a required activity. Will you be able to attend?

☐ Yes
☐ No
☐ Maybe

Section 5: Additional Information (optional)

To help us with evaluation of the pilot program, please answer the following question.

5.1 How did you hear about the mentorship program?

☐ Email announcement
☐ From a colleague
☐ ResearchtoReality.cancer.gov
☐ Other Web site _____
☐ Other _____

Please send your application materials by email (preferred) or mail to:
Peyton Purcell, MPH
Research to Reality Mentorship Program Coordinator
6116 Executive Blvd., Room 4104
Bethesda, MD 20892
ResearchtoReality@mail.nih.gov

DEADLINE: Insert Deadline Date

Application Checklist: Did you remember to send….
☐ Completed application form
☐ Description of proposed project
☐ Mentee/Supervisor agreement form
☐ CV/Resume

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