IOF Capture the Fracture® Mentorship Program

Application for becoming a FLS onsite training mentor

The Capture the Fracture® (CTF) mentorship program is an important initiative that was initiated in 2016 with the goal to connect experienced Fracture Liaison Service (FLS) ‘champions’ with clinics wishing to establish a FLS, and to facilitate the transfer of required knowledge and skills.

The CTF Steering Committee and IOF strongly believes that this educational initiative is instrumental in supporting the global implementation of FLS to prevent secondary fractures.

The onsite training is a central pillar of the mentorship program, creating the opportunity for FLS candidates to benefit from a one-day visit at the FLS champion’s institution.

The role of the mentor is to train mentee(s) over a day on how to develop, improve and/or sustain a FLS, while referring to the 13 criteria of the CTF Best Practice Framework document that outlines the essential and aspirational elements of an FLS.

IOF will provide the materials necessary for mentors to have a successful training. IOF will give the mentor an honorarium for every training completed. At the same time, IOF may offer financial support to help mentees reach the clinics of FLS experts in their countries.

Finally, to ensure that national FLS leaders are of recognized international quality who can deliver the training their peers need, the CTF Steering Committee has implemented a procedure in place to appoint mentors.

We look forward to receiving your application, and thank you in advance for your commitment in preventing secondary fractures.

Sincerely,

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Capture the Fracture® Team  
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Application guidelines for onsite training mentor

Role of the Mentor

The mentor will host the mentee(s) for a day. As a mentor, you share your experience and provide expert guidance on how to establish, develop, improve, and sustain a FLS.

- You will also cover the steps on how a clinic can join the CTF program while referring to the Best Practice Framework (BPF) document and BPF questionnaire.
- If the mentee has already started an FLS, it is encouraged that a questionnaire is completed and submitted by the mentee upon successful completion of training.
- Finally, you may expect no more than two mentoring opportunities per year (this may differ depending on local needs).

All mentors will be acknowledged as part of the IOF mentors network and their picture and affiliations will be showcased on the mentorship page of the CTF website www.capturethefracture.org/mentorship

Application Procedure

To be appointed as a national FLS mentor, the applicant must submit:

- A curriculum vitae (maximum of 2 pages)
- A statement on FLS experience (approximately half a page)
- A letter of approval from a National Society (a member of the IOF Committee of National Societies)
- If an onsite training has been requested from a local clinic, please provide details on this

Notes:

- The FLS of the mentor must be recognized on the CTF Map of Best Practice as a Silver or Gold star, and must have submitted a renewal application in the last 3 years
- It is highly recommended that the applicant is a professional member of IOF (Committee of National Societies or Committee of Scientific Advisors member)
- Please email all your documents to the Capture the Fracture® team (capturethefracture@osteoporosis.foundation)
- Incomplete applications may not be accepted for submission

Appointment of Mentors

Applications are submitted to the CTF Steering Committee who will review the application. Applicants will be notified in writing within 2 months of submission date.