NCODA provides education, leadership, mentorship, research and community outreach opportunities for students, promoting unique and dynamic experiences for them to collaborate with all oncology stakeholders. The NCODA Pharmacy Mentorship Program was designed with the members of our Professional Student Organization chapters in mind, knowing that there is an increasing interest in the field of oncology and limited opportunities for exposure in pharmacy school curricula.

The primary objective of the NCODA Pharmacy Mentorship Program is to offer students personalized guidance from seasoned pharmacists, providing them with valuable insights into diverse career paths within clinical, industry, and academic settings, as well as access to leadership and professional development resources.

The mentee/mentor pairing process will be based on the mentee’s interests, location and compatibility. This is an eight (8) month program from October 2023 – May 2024 that will be focused on the mentee’s professional development, understanding in their area of interest in oncology, and their relationship with their mentor. Mentee Mentor pairs attending the Oncology Career Symposium will have the opportunity to connect in person for the first meetup. Mentors and mentees are encouraged to meet regularly to ensure their mentee’s needs are met. Mentees are expected to share areas they would like to improve upon. They can also ask questions and suggest topics for professional and personal development, for mentors to guide them based on their background and experiences.

Mentees are required (monthly) to complete a short form to track their interactions and progress throughout the program which will end in May 2024.
Below are a selection of discussion topics that provide valuable benefits when connecting with your mentor.

- Define personal Mission and Vision
- Shadowing day
- Develop career plan
- Key considerations for evaluating post-graduate programs
- Work-life balance
- Networking tips
- APPE rotation decisions and preparation
Update CV and Letter of Intent

Develop elevator pitch

Complete mock interview

Update LinkedIn profile and repost NCODA Mentorship checkpoint completion

Snap a Picture with your mentor and post on social media
Since 2023, NCODA has collaborated with the Canadian Association of Pharmacy in Oncology (CAPhO) to offer mentor and mentee opportunities to oncology leaders and young professionals throughout Canada.

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