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July Mentoring Workgroup Tip

Dear Dental Officers,

A PHS dental mentor has the unique opportunity to assist fellow dental officers in career development, to help achieve professional goals, and to serve as a sounding board for new officers with questions about a career in the Corps. Our profession contains a wide scope of responsibilities, various career paths, and is always changing with new policies and scientific discoveries. A benefit of working in a public setting is corroboration with fellow dentists. The Mentorship Program pairs mentors with protégés to provide guidance and officer development via review of important promotion documents, understanding promotion benchmarks, and making the most of his or her PHS career. The DePAC Mentoring Workgroup is committed to supporting those interested in serving our profession as both mentors and protégés. For junior officers interested in taking advantage of this mentoring program as a protégé, please [sign up here](#). If you have already served as a USPHS dentist for a number of years and would like the opportunity to share your knowledge and advice as a mentor, [click here](#).

At your service,
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