Sexual harassment, visa exploitation, and other egregious and illegal behaviors have no place in science. To cultivate a productive training environment, those who are given training responsibilities should also be trained, supported and evaluated by institutions to provide competent and appropriate mentoring to the next generation.

To ensure mentoring is an institutional priority, we are pushing for centralized, transparent evaluation of mentoring standards at departmental and institutional levels. We have a proposal to introduce third-party evaluation of mentoring standards at the departmental and institutional levels, certifying institutions and departments accordingly to incentivize progress. This can empower the next generation of scientists to make decisions on the appropriate mentoring environments for them.

But we need help. In Chicago on June 14th 2019, we are organizing a meeting to plan how to achieve our goal of placing exceptional mentoring at the top of institutional priorities and incentives. We are asking for input and help in having as wide a discussion as possible:

- We are looking for submissions from those interested in attending the conference and joining the discussion, to help shape a pilot for evaluation of mentoring at institutions. Please submit suggestions of what you think may be missing, and may want to talk about, here: https://tinyurl.com/FoRmentorsabstractform
- We are looking for institutions and groups willing to hold satellite meetings with us. If you’re interested, please contact us here: https://tinyurl.com/FoRmentorssatellites
- Are you in Chicago? Or interested in volunteering generally? Please fill out our volunteer form here: http://www.futureofresearch.org/volunteer/

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