Table 3: Types of Expectations Included in Mentoring Contracts and Agreements \*

Domain	Description
Research	Knowledge of scholar about current developments in research area
	Technical skills of scholar in research methods and procedures
	Research productivity of scholar (e.g., conference abstracts, publications, grant applications)
	Progress of scholar toward research independence
	Responsible conduct of research by scholar and mentor
Education	Didactic activities (e.g., coursework, seminars, workshops) of scholar to fill gaps in research training
	Other educational activities to facilitate the scholar's professional growth and career advancement
Professional development/ career	Skills development of scholar (critical thinking, creativity, writing, speaking, reviewing, setting priorities, managing time and
advancement	projects, teaching, mentoring, leading teams, working with others)
	Academic promotion of scholar (understanding and meeting promotion requirements)
	Networking by mentor on scholar's behalf
	Skills development of scholar in the conduct of team science
	Maintaining appropriate work-life balance of scholar
	Supporting of scholar's exploration of different career pathways
	Socializing the scholar to institutional culture (e.g., structures, processes, interpersonal climate)
	Identifying a process for ending the research mentoring relationship while continuing to support the scholar professionally as
	needed
Support	Allocation of scholar's effort to research vs. non-research activities
	Support provided by mentor for scholar's research (e.g., space, equipment, supplies, technician)
	Facilitated access of scholar to experts, training opportunities, key committees
	Opportunities to develop and work on multidisciplinary team projects
	Attendance of mentor at scholar's presentations
	Advocacy on behalf of scholar
	Emotional support of scholar
Communication	Frequency of meetings with mentor, mentorship team, and program leadership
	Topics to be addressed at meetings, information to be prepared in advance of meetings
	Completion of progress reports by scholar and mentor for program director and departmental chair
	Coordinating input from multiple mentors and research team members
	Constructive critique and feedback (offered by mentor; asked for, reflected on, and applied by scholar; followed up on by both
	mentor and scholar)
	"Ground rules" for communication (e.g., openness, truthfulness, confidentiality)
Personal conduct/ interpersonal relations	Ethical/professional conduct by both scholar and mentor
	Understanding and respect for diversity by both scholar and mentor
	Strategies for managing conflicts in the mentoring relationship
	Appropriate acknowledgement of one another's contributions to shared projects

CTSA, Clinical and Translational Science Award; KL2, mentored clinical/translational research career development program

<sup>\*</sup> Drawn from review of the Association of American Medical Colleges' "Compact Between Postdoctoral Appointees and Their Mentors" and mentoring contracts or agreements used by following CTSA KL2 programs (with permission): Columbia University; Mayo Clinic; University of Alabama at Birmingham; University of California at Davis; University of Pittsburgh; University of North Carolina; University of Rochester; Vanderbilt University.