Preparing for Promotion to Clinical Associate Professor in the Clinician Educator Line

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Promotion to Clinical Associate Professor

• Promotion will be considered for those who have demonstrated excellence in the overall mix of clinical care and clinical teaching (and, if applicable, institutional service and/or scholarly activities) during their terms of appointment as Clinical Assistant Professor. There should be evidence that candidates have attained regional recognition as superior clinicians and clinical teachers. There should be evidence that the candidates will successfully continue to fill the programmatic need for which the appointment is made and to make meritorious contributions to their discipline and to the School.
Special Cases & Early Promotion

• In special cases, other factors may be considered for promotion for those individuals who do not have regional prominence, including **extraordinary contributions** in such broadly defined areas as teaching and clinical excellence, clinical innovation, program building and/or administrative activities.

• Exceptional circumstances may, on occasion, justify early promotion to this rank, in which case the justification must be well documented.
Appointment & Promotion Patterns
Clinical Associate Professors

September 1, 2016

- Appointment: 36%
- Promotion: 64%

Clinical Associate Professors (n = 256)

September 1, 2017

- Appointment: 68%
- Promotion: 32%

Clinical Associate Professors (n = 283)
Counseling

• Annual Counseling is feedback on performance relative to the standards for reappointment and promotion, and should provide candid and helpful feedback and guidance. The department is expected to provide annual counseling to all Clinical Assistant Professors and Clinical Associate Professors.
Counseling

• Must be based on the results of the review, constructive, realistic and specifically tailored to you
• Quality of your performance in clinical care, teaching, citizenship, administrative responsibilities, scholarship, as applicable
• Describe practical guidance for improvement and/or a plan to remediate any areas of problematic performance
• Clarify the criteria you will face in a future reappointment or promotion review

http://med.stanford.edu/academicaffairs/CEs/CEFacultyResources/counseling.html
Developing Clinical Recognition

- Take initiative in guiding, leading and innovating clinical programs
- Network with colleagues on collaborative projects with regional and/or national impact
- Identify a shared need, develop a response and become a leader recognized by the outside community
- Participate in your professional societies and seek leadership roles within them
- Seek opportunities to present at Grand Rounds outside of Stanford
Developing Teaching Recognition

• Become involved in teaching undergraduates, medical students, residents, fellows, health care professionals, community members
• Teach in CME programs
• Innovate teaching programs and teaching techniques, curricula and media
• Disseminate innovations through professional groups, regional and national meetings, presentations
Developing Administrative/Institutional Service Recognition

- Become involved in hospital initiatives, regional and national organizations and initiatives
- Become involved in quality initiatives
Developing Scholarly Recognition

• Become involved in clinical research, innovation
• Network with colleagues for opportunities for editorial board service with specialty publications
• Publish articles/chapters/books
• Publications are considered but are not required for promotion
Professional Development Opportunities

- The Stanford Faculty Development Center for Medical Teachers
  - Workshops
  - Consultations

- Office of Faculty Development and Diversity
  - Faculty Development Programs (e.g. Unconscious Bias, skills-building workshops → negotiation, Time Management, Conflict Resolution....)
  - Faculty Fellows program for CEs – leadership
  - Women & Minority Faculty Networking Groups
  - [http://med.stanford.edu/facultydiversity.html](http://med.stanford.edu/facultydiversity.html)
Professional Development Opportunities

• Participate in your department’s mentoring program and, if there is not one, express an interest in having one developed.

• Take Clinician Educator Professional Development Leave and paid conference leave when you can.
  • Application available on Academic Affairs’ CE web page: http://med.stanford.edu/academicaffairs/CEs.html#CEProfDev
Professional Development Leave Policy

• **Purpose:**
  – To enable Clinician Educators to pursue training and/or education-related projects or opportunities that will enhance their patient care and teaching activities

• **Who’s Eligible?**
  – Clinical Assistant/Clinical Associate/Clinical Professors who are benefits eligible (50% FTE or more & apt for 6 months or longer)

• **Other**
  – Not to be used for maternity-related leave
  – Salary is from Stanford University; Benefits continue for CE
  – CE may not take a regular or admin position at another hospital, clinic or academic institution during leave
Eligibility

Who accrues PDL?

• Clinical Assistant/Associate/Professors (cannot be used until CE has worked for a min. of 5 yrs.)
• Stanford University employees
• Benefits eligible faculty (0.5 FTE or greater)

Who does NOT accrue PDL?

• Clinical Instructors
• CE affiliates
• Per diem employees, and those less than 0.5 FTE
Calculating Accrual

- **You get:** 1.167 **days per month** (14 days/yr) at 100% FTE
  - If you are <100% FTE → accrual is based on FTE % (none < 50% FTE)
- **Normal maximum accrual = 70 days** (10 weeks) or 5 years of accrual
- **Use your leave on a regular basis!**
  - **Caveat:** If programmatic need requires that you not take it, accrual can continue up to 140 days (20 weeks) or 10 years of accrual (per department chair & division chief)
- **Note:**
  - Accrual stops during leave (short or long term disability, med or family leave, PDL)
  - Accrual stops if below 50% but **existing accrual is retained** & will resume if > 50%
Leave Examples

Some examples:

- Pursuit of an additional academic degree
- Travel to observe and learn new clinical skills
- Prepare for and give Grand Rounds
- Work on teaching materials
- Work on a national committee
- Work on publications
- Work on a national database in a specialty
Review Process

Department

Office of Academic Affairs

Clinical Assistant Professor A&P Committee

Vice Dean of SoM (or his/her delegate)

Appointment or Reappointment as Clinical Instructor

Clinician Educator A&P Committee
Well Presented Evidence

You need to supply for the promotion file

• Current and complete CV
• Candidate’s statement
Candidate’s Statement

Gives you an opportunity to expand upon your contributions. Guidelines suggest you discuss your:

- Professional interests
- Clinical care contributions
- Teaching and other pedagogical contributions
- Activities that reflect regional or national recognition
- Administrative roles and responsibilities
- Scholarship (as applicable)
Well Presented Evidence- Referee Letters

Department obtains referee letters

• Strong referee letters provide meaningful evaluations of the candidate measured by the criteria and from the referees’ personal knowledge

• 3-5 letters are needed for promotion to Clinical Associate Professor, at least one must be from outside Stanford

• Evaluations for Clinical Associate Professor must explicitly substantiate the candidate’s regional reputation
Other Required Evidence

• Clinical Excellence Survey

• As a Clinician Educator it is expected that a proportion of your time is spent educating others about your field of medicine. Teaching evaluations are required as part of the review.
  • MedHub
  • Trainee letters
  • Other teaching evaluations (lectures given, classes taught)
• Academic Affairs’ Clinician Educator web page, http://med.stanford.edu/academicaffairs/CEs.html
• School of Medicine Faculty Handbook - Chapter 3, http://med.stanford.edu/academicaffairs/administrators/handbook/chapt3.html
• CV template, please visit Academic Affairs’ CE web page
• Counseling Guidelines, please visit Academic Affairs’ CE web page