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MENTOR  
PROGRAM

ENTREPRENEUR DEVELOPMENT

Take your Venture to the Next Level  
with Inspiration and Guidance from  
Global Health Science Leaders

Join Canada's Pre-eminent Health  
Sciences Mentorship Program



Gain access  
to a team of  
seasoned  
C-suite  
executives to  
help you  
grow as an  
entrepreneur

**The Accel-Rx Mentor Program (AMP)<sup>®</sup> is custom-designed for health science start-ups to access best practices knowledge-sharing that is as practical in application as it is insightful in guiding principle. As an AMP<sup>®</sup> mentee, you'll have access to a team of seasoned C-Suite executives to help you grow as an entrepreneur and position your business for success.**

## The MIT Advantage

Powered by methodologies pioneered at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's (MIT) Venture Mentoring Service, Accel-Rx's Mentor Program matches mentees with a curated team of mentors for advice and guidance through the critical stages of early development.

## Make Success Happen

Studies show that when an entrepreneur with a promising idea is paired with a team of mentors, the venture has a higher likelihood of success. AMP<sup>®</sup> offers an opportunity for health science entrepreneurs to get expert advice from a network of veteran executives who have traveled the road before them.

### Eligibility

If you have a strong desire to move your venture forward and it meets the following eligibility requirements, consider becoming part of the AMP<sup>®</sup>.

- Developing a therapeutic, medical device or diagnostic
- Incorporated in Canada
- Seed stage or earlier
- Dedicated team or champion in place
- Open to advice with a strong desire to move to the next level
- Commit to attend 90-minute face-to-face meetings every 6-8 weeks

## AMP<sup>®</sup> has several distinct features that provide value to both mentor and mentee.



### Team Mentoring

Team mentoring provides a unique dynamic compared to the typical one-on-one method. For mentors, it creates the opportunity to interact with, learn from, and develop relationships with like-minded peers, strengthening a sense of community. The team approach also fosters a shared interest in the venture's success, generating collaborative solutions.

For mentees, team mentoring provides access to a diverse pool of experience and expertise. It allows for the size and shape of the team to change to meet the evolving needs of the venture as well as creating opportunities to forge long term relationships.



### Flexible, Concentrated Impact

Mentorship is geared towards short-term, focused and practical advice in 90-minute sessions that follow a consistent format. Ventures can choose to stay with the same mentor team to allow for continuity, however teams can also evolve as the needs of the venture change.



### Objective, confidential advice

AMP<sup>®</sup> employs strict guidelines to ensure that ventures receive unbiased advice they can trust—and are unlikely to find anywhere else. Further, all mentors are subject to confidentiality conditions to allow for a frank and full exchange of ideas.



### Rigorous Screening

Highly qualified and fully committed volunteer mentors are key to a successful program. AMP<sup>®</sup> has rigorous selection criteria for both mentors and venture mentees to ensure ventures are paired with mentor teams appropriate for the nature and stage of development. All mentors undergo training based on concepts and best practices for the MIT program.



### Operational Support

Accel-Rx provides full operational support to both mentors and ventures to ensure success. This lets mentors focus volunteer time on actual mentoring and helps ventures stay on track to maximize program value.

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