NRMP 2018 ANNUAL REPORT

Who We Are
ABOUT THE MATCH

The National Resident Matching Program ("The Match") is an independent, non-profit organization founded in 1952 to provide a systematic way of placing medical school students into graduate medical education (GME) positions in United States teaching hospitals. In 65 years, The Match has grown to include international medical school students and graduates among its applicants in the Main Residency Match® and the more than sixty Fellowship Matches managed through its Specialties Matching Service®. National Resident Matching Program International® (NRMP®), a wholly-owned subsidiary, offers matching services to private and governmental agencies located outside the U.S. and Canada.

The Match is the largest health care matching service in the world, meeting the needs of more than 50,000 medical students and graduates annually who compete for more than 40,000 residency and fellowship positions. The Match also offers unparalleled data resources and is committed to research that benefits the GME community.

What We Do
MISSION

Match healthcare professionals to training programs through a process that is fair, efficient, and reliable, and provide meaningful Match data and analyses to stakeholders.

What We Strive To Be
VISION

A trusted global provider of matching services for healthcare professionals and the premier Match data resource.
MESSAGE FROM CHAIR AND PRESIDENT/CEO

2018 was another terrific year for the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP®). The Main Residency Match was the largest ever, with record-high numbers of U.S. M.D. and D.O. seniors matching to first-year positions. The NRMP Specialties Matching Service grew as well with the addition of several new subspecialties. Staff traveled throughout the year to meet with constituents in the undergraduate and graduate medical education communities to share Match data and policy updates. Maintaining meaningful connections with the medical education community is a high priority for NRMP.

In 2018, efforts were directed at providing new and improved resources to constituents. Interactive versions of Charting Outcomes in the Match and the NRMP Program Director Survey addressed an NRMP goal of helping applicants determine their goodness of fit with specific residency programs. New learning videos were created, and NRMP conducted its first-ever webinar for residency program staff to help them better understand and navigate the matching process. Lastly, our partnership with the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates was expanded to establish a series of webinars for international medical graduates.

NRMP remains committed to ensuring its Matching Program delivers accurate results and is transparent in its processes. This report highlights some of our accomplishments in 2018. We hope you will take a moment to read it. Your input about NRMP’s current initiatives and suggestions for future programs and resources are always welcome.

Susan Guralnick, M.D., Chair
Mona M. Signer, M.P.H., President and CEO

Support

YEAR IN REVIEW

In 2018, NRMP delivered high-quality matching services and resources: participation in the Main Residency and Fellowship Matches was the largest in history, and informative reports were published earlier in the year to better assist applicants. NRMP continued providing matching services overseas.
NRMP remains a trusted partner in the transition from undergraduate to graduate medical education. The 2018 Main Residency Match was the largest on record when measured by the numbers of applicants and positions offered and filled. Participation by students and graduates of osteopathic medical schools grew by 29 percent, and the number of available PGY-1 positions rose by 5 percent.

**ALL TIME HIGHS!**

- 43,909 registrants
- 30,232 PGY-1 positions; 33,167 total positions
- 17,740 U.S. allopathic seniors matched to PGY-1 positions
- 3,771 U.S. osteopathic students and graduates matched to PGY-1 positions
- 3,962 non-U.S. international medical graduates matched to PGY-1 positions

**Active Applicants: 2017-2018**

**PGY-1 Positions Offered and Filled: 2014-2018**

The 2018 Main Residency Match gained 1,410 positions, the largest one-year jump since the All In Policy was implemented in 2013. Much of the growth was due to the addition of programs that previously participated in the American Osteopathic Association Match. Growth was most noticeable in the following specialties:

- Internal Medicine – 309 positions
- Family Medicine – 273 positions
- Emergency Medicine – 231 positions
The Specialties Matching Service saw record-high participation in 2018 with services provided for 66 subspecialties in 23 separate Matches. Although the Medical Specialties Matching Program (MSMP) remained the largest Fellowship Match with 17 subspecialties, 15 of the Pediatric subspecialties came together in 2018 to create the second largest Fellowship Match, the Pediatric Specialties Fall Match.

Numbers of Applicants and Programs in the SMS by Appointment Year, 1993-2019

Number of Active Applicants and Percent Matched, 2015 - 2019

HIGHLIGHTS FROM THE 2018 SMS MATCH SEASON FOR JULY 2019 APPOINTMENTS:

STATISTICS:
- 4,750 programs in 66 subspecialties
  574 MORE PROGRAMS
- 10,936 positions offered
  1,170 MORE POSITIONS
- 9,378 positions filled (85.8%)
  625 MORE POSITIONS FILLED
- 11,467 applicants participated in at least one Fellowship Match;
  81.8% obtained positions
  1,657 MORE APPLICANTS

MEMBERSHIP:
FIVE new subspecialties joined the SMS: Academic General Pediatrics, Adult Congenital Heart Disease, Clinical Cardiac Electrophysiology, Clinical Ultrasound, and Emergency Medical Services.

ALL IN:
ONE new subspecialty — Endocrinology — joined Breast Imaging, Infectious Disease, Medical Genetics, Nephrology, and Sleep Medicine to voluntarily implement the All In Policy.
NRMP published three versions of Charting Outcomes in the Match in 2018, including the first edition of the report for osteopathic senior students. For the first time, the reports were made available on July 1 in order to assist applicants in determining to which specialties to apply. Charting Outcomes in the Match reports were downloaded a combined 59,000 times.

In addition to the Results and Data Books for the Main Residency Match and the Specialties Matching Service, NRMP published the Results of the 2018 NRMP Program Director Survey, detailing the characteristics most important to programs when they consider which applicants to interview and rank. The report was published in June and downloaded more than 16,000 times.

Charting Outcomes in the Match:
Senior Students of U.S. Osteopathic Medical Schools
Characteristics of Senior Students of U.S. Osteopathic Medical Schools Who Matched to Their Preferred Specialty in the 2018 Main Residency Match

1st Edition

Prepared by:
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In 2018, reports and publications continued to be among the most popular downloads on the NRMP website:
- 2018 Main Residency Match Results and Data Book: 64,093 downloads
- 2018 Main Match Results by State and Specialty: 33,602 downloads
- Results and Data for SMS - 2018 appointments: 24,436 downloads
- "Registering for Main Match for Applicants" Support Guide: 14,202 downloads
NRMP INTERNATIONAL

NRMP remains committed to offering high-quality matching services to countries around the world and to partnering with global organizations that promote excellence in medicine and medical education.

NRMP International successfully completed its eighth Match for the Health Authority of Abu Dhabi (HAAD):

- 110 United Arab Emirates (UAE) nationals participated in the Match; 101 (85%) obtained a position
- 278 UAE non-nationals participated in the Match; 69 (25%) obtained a position
- 30 programs offered 160 positions in the Match; 100 percent of those positions were filled

NRMP leadership attended and exhibited at the annual Association for Medical Education in Europe (AMEE) conference in Basel, Switzerland.
NRMP bolstered connections with constituents in 2018 by building new interactive data resources for applicants, in-depth webinars for applicants and programs, and user-specific Match videos for all.

**INTERACTIVE DATA TOOLS**
NRMP published the Interactive Charting Outcomes in the Match for allopathic applicants, Interactive Charting Outcomes in the Match for osteopathic applicants, and "At A Glance" Program Director Survey using the data visualization software Tableau®.

**CONSTITUENT WEBINARS**
NRMP sponsored webinars designed to help program staff and applicants better navigate the Matching Program. NRMP continued its partnership with the ICFMG, bringing much-valued content to international medical school graduates.

**MATCH VIDEOS**
NRMP continued its instructional design initiative, launched in 2017 to develop additional learning videos for Match participants. NRMP doubled its offerings to 20 learning videos and two webinars. Topics ranged from matching processes to policies and SOAP participation.

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**CUSTOMER SERVICE**
Call center staff continued to provide accurate and timely information to constituents. During peak periods for the 2018 Main Residency Match:

- Phone call handle response rates averaged 92 percent
- Chat handle response rates averaged 96 percent
- Email handle response rate was 100 percent

CUSTOMER SATISFACTION WITH NRMP SUPPORT AVERAGED 95 PERCENT

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"Excellent help throughout the Match and SOAP process. Much appreciated!"
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Program Director

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Facebook Fans: 20K
Twitter Followers: 15K
Avg. Monthly Website Visitors: 85K
Press Release Pick-Ups: 1600K
NRMP LEADERSHIP

The NRMP is governed by a 19-member Board of Directors that includes medical school deans, GME program directors, resident physicians, and medical students. The Board prioritizes diversity and breadth of experience to ensure thorough and thoughtful deliberation of issues.

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NRMP fees are among the lowest charged by medical education service organizations.

The Match registration fee includes access to:
- Data Reports and Research Articles
- Newsletters
- PRISM Smartphone App
- Learning Guides and Micro-Learning Videos

Increases in revenue are funneled into:
- Software
- Information Technology (IT) Upgrades
- Innovative Tools and Resources

*Calendar Year 2018 financials pending audit

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Provide meaningful data to stakeholders and advance knowledge in the field

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