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This issue of The Match Illuminator announces publication of the 2020 Charting Outcomes in the Match reports, policy updates for the 2020-2021 Match cycle, and October's virtual Transition to Residency conference.

Did You Know?

The NRMP has an excellent glossary of Match definitions on its website called The Match Terms and Topics. Program staff and school officials new to their roles will ease their learning curves by looking up words and acronyms with this alphabetical listing. From Joint A/P and NRMP ID to Quota and Reversions, the glossary covers basic Match terminology.

We hope you stay safe and cool throughout the rest of the summer.

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Charting Outcomes in the Match Available for the 2020 Main Residency
NRMP is pleased to announce the 2020 publication of *Charting Outcomes in the Match* for U.S. MD seniors, U.S. DO seniors, and U.S. and non-U.S. international medical graduates. The biennial reports reveal how applicant qualifications affect match success in the preferred specialty across a variety of measures and are invaluable tools to help applicants strategize about residency applications. The reports can be viewed on the [Main Residency Match Data and Reports](https://www.nrmp.org/mainresidencymatchdataandreports) page on the NRMP public website.

Join the GME Community at the NRMP Virtual Transition to Residency Conference

Register now to join the GME community at NRMP's virtual conference, *Transition to Residency: Conversations Across the Medical Education Continuum*, scheduled for October 16-17, 2020. While in-person meetings are ideal, the NRMP is committed to bringing stakeholders together to discuss critical issues surrounding the transition to residency. This year, the NRMP is excited to announce that learners are welcome to attend. All are encouraged to [submit session proposals](https://www.nrmp.org/submitsessionproposals) -- hurry, the deadline is August 15!

The conference will feature three exemplary plenary speakers:

- **Dr. Vivek H. Murthy**, former U.S. Surgeon General appointed by President Barack Obama (2014-17), has cared for thousands of patients and trained hundreds of medical students and residents. Currently the Distinguished Policy Scholar at the
Johns Hopkins Bloomberg School of Public Health, Dr. Murthy has championed medical education, social action, and healthcare dialogue throughout his career.

- **Alvin E. Roth, PhD**, Senior Fellow at the Stanford Institute for Economic Policy Research and Professor, by courtesy, for the School of Management Science and Engineering, received the Nobel Prize in Economics in 2012 for work which focused in part on the NRMP's matching algorithm. He is the George Gund Professor of Economics and Business Administration Emeritus at Harvard University.

- **Shankar Vedantam**, NPR's social science correspondent and host of the *Hidden Brain* radio show, offers insights into how unconscious biases impact personal and organizational decision-making. Mr. Vedantam was a reporter at *The Washington Post* for ten years and wrote its Department of Human Behavior column from 2007 to 2009.

See [complete biographies here](#), and continue to check the conference website for the full [program agenda](#).

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**Policy Updates to Fellowship Match Participation Agreements**

At its June 2020 meeting, the NRMP Board of Directors approved changes to the Match Participation Agreements for the 2020-2021 Match cycle. The documents linked below highlight new or revised sections of the Match Participation Agreement for applicants, programs, and institutions participating in Specialty Matching Service® Matches for July 2021 appointments:

- [Policy Highlights: Fellowship Applicants](#)
- [Policy Highlights: Fellowship Programs](#)
- [Policy Highlights: Institutions](#)

Match participants are responsible for reading and complying with the entire applicable Match Participation Agreement, copies of which are
available on the NRMP website and in the R3 system during registration for a Match. Direct questions to NRMP Policy.

Upcoming Dates for August

Laryngology, Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery
August 5, 12:00 p.m. ET: Match Day

Anesthesiology, Obstetrics/Gynecology, Surgical Critical Care
August 5, 12:00 p.m. ET: Ranking Opens

Colon & Rectal Surgery, Medical Genetics, Sleep Medicine, Spinal Cord Injury Medicine
August 12, 12:00 p.m. ET: Registration Opens

Adolescent Medicine, Emergency Medicine
August 19, 12:00 p.m. ET: Registration Opens

Medical Specialties Matching Program
August 26, 12:00 p.m. ET: Registration Opens

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