



National Resident Matching Program

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**TO:** U.S. Seniors Registering with the NRMP

**FROM:** The National Resident Matching Program

The National Resident Matching Program looks forward to your participation in the 2008 Main Residency Match, which is conducted on our web-based Registration, Ranking, and Results (R3) System. The R3 System opens for applicant registration at 12 noon eastern time on Wednesday, August 15, 2007.

Before you begin the registration process, we urge you to spend a few minutes on the NRMP's public web site at [www.nrmp.org](http://www.nrmp.org), reviewing the informational pages under Residency Match | Participant Groups | U.S. Seniors. An illustrated User Guide for the R3 System also is available in the Residency Match section, along with the Schedule of Dates, data tables from last year's Match, the Match Participation Agreement, the Violations Policy, and other important information. Also of interest will be "Charting Outcomes in the Match", a report jointly published by the NRMP and the Association of American Medical Colleges that describes the characteristics of matched and unmatched applicants by specialty.

To begin the registration process for the 2008 Main Residency Match, click Register/Login at the top of the screen, and then select "Applicant Registration". Registration for the Match is an eleven step, on-line process that includes completing the registration form, electronically signing the Match Participation Agreement, and paying the registration fee of \$40.00. You must provide an email address so the NRMP can communicate with you quickly and easily. Our email address, [nrmp@aamc.org](mailto:nrmp@aamc.org), should be added to your contacts, address book, or "Safe" list to ensure you receive our communications. If you fail to do so, you could miss important reminders or other information essential to the Match process. You may update the information in R3 as often as necessary.

As part of the registration process, you will be assigned an AAMC ID number and choose your own password. **THIS AAMC ID MUST BE THE SAME AS THE ONE ASSIGNED BY ERAS** during their registration process. Keep your AAMC ID and password in a safe place; without them, you will not be able to access the R3 System, enter your ranks, or retrieve your Match results. Students participating in "early" matches (other than military) also must participate in the NRMP Match to obtain their PGY-1 positions.

When you register on-line, you will be required to electronically sign the Match Participation Agreement. By doing so, you enter into a contract with the NRMP and the programs on your rank order list, and you agree to abide by the results of the Match. Failure to honor the Match outcome is a violation of the Match Agreement; violators will be subject to the penalties outlined in Section 7.0 of the Agreement and in the Policies and Procedures for Reporting, Investigation, and Disposition of Violations of NRMP Agreements, both of which can be reviewed on the public web site at [www.nrmp.org](http://www.nrmp.org).

You must pay the applicant registration fee electronically when you register. The fee for U.S. seniors is \$40.00 until November 30; after that date you must pay an additional \$50.00 late fee. Payments must be made on-line using VISA or MasterCard credit cards or by personal check through the TeleCheck on-line checking service, which charges a \$4.00 service fee. No other form of payment is acceptable.

Applicants who wish to participate in the Main Residency Match as a couple must notify the NRMP of their intention by providing their partner's AAMC ID through the Update My Profile | Couple link in the R3 System. Couples can link the program choices on their rank order lists so they can match to a combination of programs suited to their needs. Partners can create pairs of program choices that mix specialties, program types, and geographic locations.

**Important Dates:**

**August 15, 2007**  
**November 30, 2007**  
**January 15, 2008**  
**February 27, 2008**  
**March 20, 2008**

**Applicant Registration Opens**  
**Registration Deadline**  
**Rank Order List System Opens at Noon Eastern Time**  
**Rank Order List System Closes at 9:00 PM Eastern Time**  
**MATCH DAY!**

***WELCOME TO THE 2008 NRMP MAIN RESIDENCY MATCH!***