



## ACGME-Accredited Hospice and Palliative Medicine Fellowship Program Applicant FAQ

*July 1, 2017 Fellowship Start Date*

### 1. When and how do I apply to ACGME-accredited hospice and palliative medicine fellowship programs?

The majority of ACGME-accredited hospice and palliative medicine fellowship programs use the Electronic Residency Application Service (ERAS). On **June 9, 2016**, [MyERAS](#) opens for fellowship applicants. Be sure to review [AAMC ERAS Tools for Fellowship Applicants](#).

- [ERAS Participating Specialties and Programs](#). Participating hospice and palliative medicine fellowship programs will be listed beginning spring 2016.
- MyERAS Fellowship User Guide is available [online](#).
- [EFDO](#) begins to generate and distribute MyERAS tokens.
- [MyERAS](#) website opens to fellowship applicants to register and start their applications.
- Applicants use MyERAS to identify letter writers and print instructions for using the [Letter of Recommendation Portal](#) (LoRP) to upload letters.

The ERAS PostOffice opens **July 15** to receive applications. At that time fellowship applicants may apply to hospice and palliative medicine programs.

### 2. When do I register for the Hospice and Palliative Medicine Match?

Hospice and Palliative Medicine is participating in the NRMP Medical Specialties Match for the 2017 appointment year. This Match will **open August 31, 2016**. Complete the [Registration Process](#), electronically sign the Match Participation Agreement, and pay [Match fees](#). Applicants must meet the prerequisites for training that are specific to hospice and palliative medicine. Prior to appointment in a program, fellows must have completed an ACGME - or American Osteopathic Association (AOA) - accredited program in child neurology, family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, physical medicine and rehabilitation, or neurology; or at least three clinical years in an ACGME - or AOA - accredited graduate educational program in one of the following specialties: anesthesiology, emergency medicine, obstetrics and gynecology, psychiatry, radiation oncology, radiology, or surgery.

**3. I have registered for the Match and completed my interviews, what is my next step?**

After registering for the Match and completing interviews, applicants submit to the NRMP a list of programs ranked in order of preference, where they wish to train. **The rank list opens October 5, 2016.** Rank order lists must be **certified by the November 16, 2016 deadline** to be used when the matching algorithm is processed. Withdrawals from the Match **MUST** be completed by the rank order list deadline.

[About Rank Order Lists](#)

[Participating as a Couple](#)

**4. I am applying to a program with a pediatric and a standard track. How will I designate which track I want to rank?**

Each program and track has a specific identification number that you will select. Please be **VERY** careful that you select the identification number that refers to the program **AND** track that you wish to rank.

**5. When is the Hospice and Palliative Medicine Match Day and how do I learn where I matched?**

On Match Day, December 7, 2016, applicants will be notified by email where they matched or, if necessary, be able to log in to the NRMP R3<sup>®</sup> system at 12:00 pm ET to view the *List of Unfilled Programs*. A *List of Unmatched Applicants* also is available for programs that do not fill all positions.