

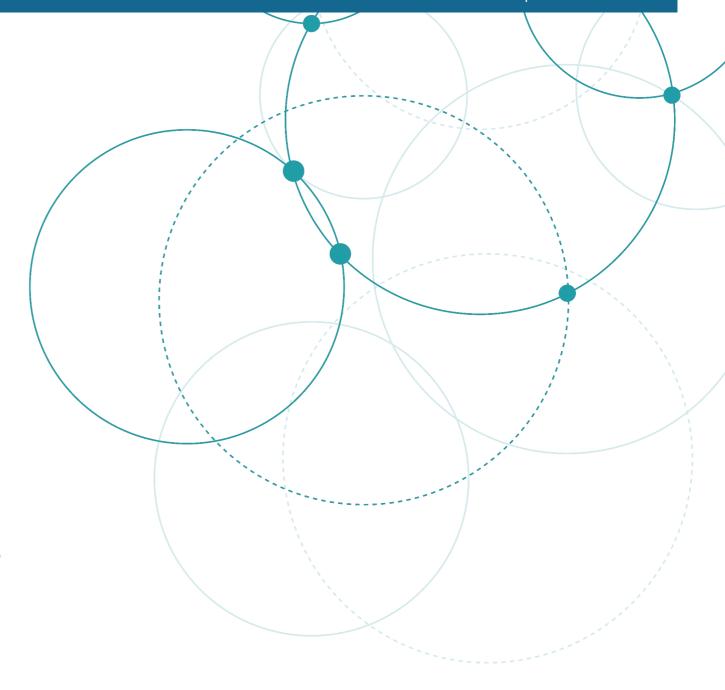
# Navigating Match Week and SOAP

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## Agenda

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### What is SOAP?

- Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program® (SOAP®)
- Programs review ERAS® applications, contact applicants of interest, and express preferences with lists of applicants created in the R3® system.
- Unfilled positions are offered to eligible applicants on the program's preference list in a series of four rounds.
- It is NOT another Match.
- Positions offered and accepted constitute a binding commitment under the Match Participation Agreement.



### **SOAP Policies**

Programs participating in SOAP must accept applications only through ERAS and must offer unfilled positions only through SOAP until SOAP concludes at 9:00 p.m. ET on Thursday, March 17<sup>th</sup>.

- Programs cannot contact applicants or their representatives until an application is received.
- Programs cannot ask applicants to indicate whether they will accept an offer if one is extended through SOAP.
- Programs cannot contact SOAP-ineligible applicants until SOAP concludes.
- Programs that opt out of SOAP participation CANNOT extend offers until after SOAP concludes.
- Programs can create positions for partially-matched applicants after SOAP concludes.

# **Applicant Communication During SOAP**

#### **SOAP-eligible applicants:**

- Can access the List of Unfilled Programs only for positions for which they are eligible.
- Can apply only to unfilled Match-participating programs that are participating in SOAP.
- Are prohibited from using any means other than an ERAS application to apply to and contact programs.
- Must refrain from communicating with programs until the program contacts the applicant
- Can receive multiple offers in a SOAP round.

## **Preparing for SOAP**

- ✓ View the videos and SOAP resources on the NRMP web site so you fully understand SOAP policy and functionality.
- ✓ Update Public Contact Information for your program in the R3 system.
- ✓ Identify staff to participate, if necessary, and ensure that those staff understand SOAP policies and procedures.
- ✓ Subscribe to the NRMP & ERAS SOAP and Match Week Listserv.



### Match Week & SOAP Schedule

### Monday, March 14

9:00 a.m. Programs learn if they filled

Applicants learn if they matched

10:00 a.m. SOAP applicants can start preparing and sending applications via ERAS

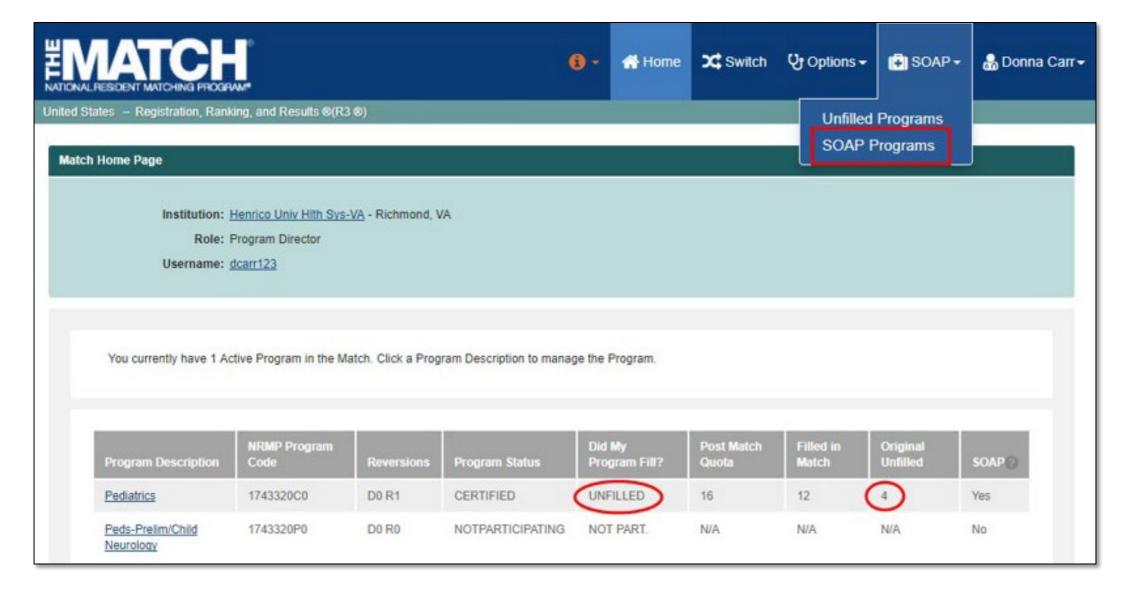
### **Tuesday, March 15**

8:00 a.m. Programs can begin viewing SOAP applications in ERAS and can contact

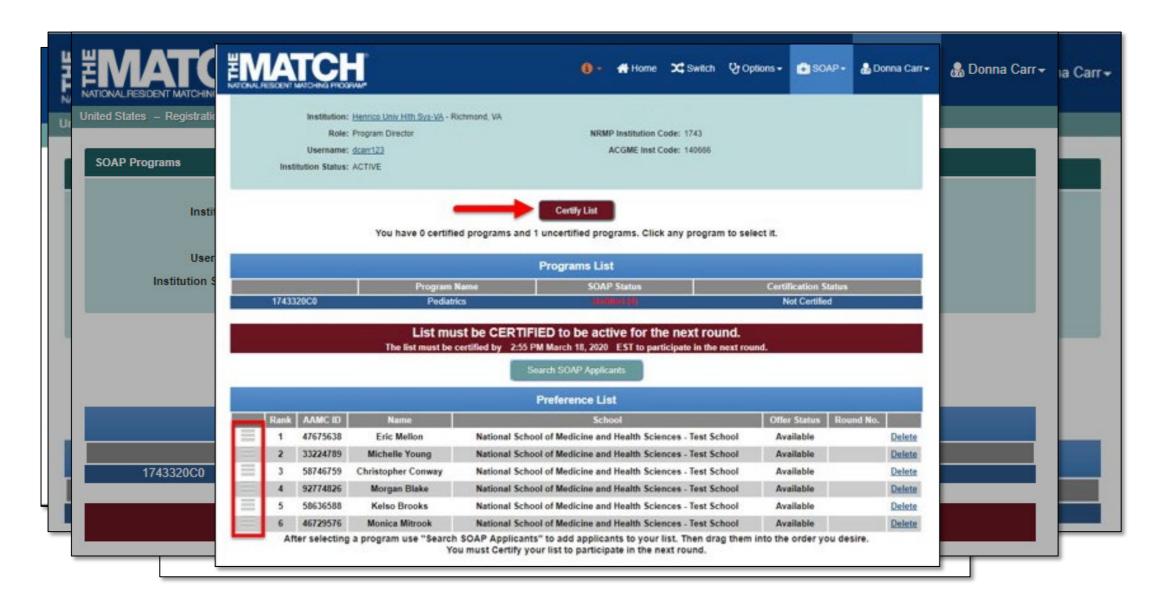
applicants upon receipt of an application

11:30 a.m. Programs can begin creating preference lists in the R3 system

## Viewing Unfilled Status



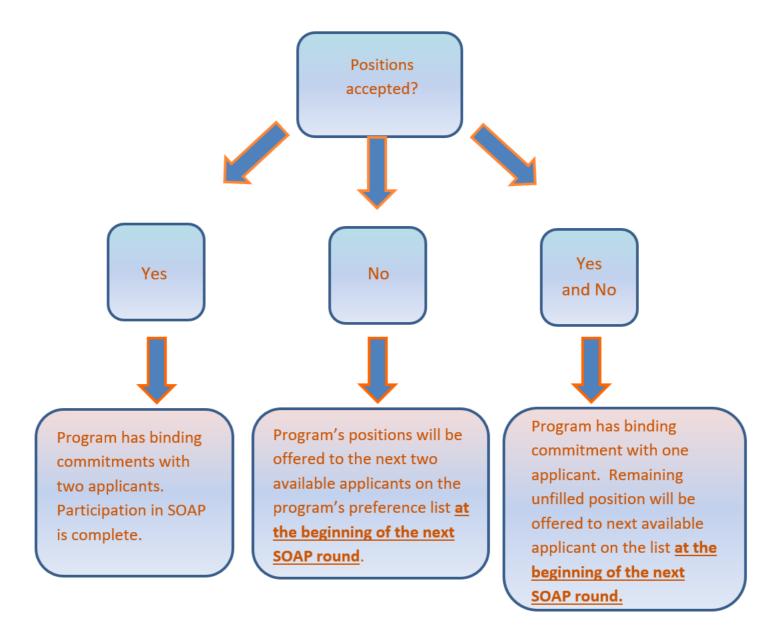
### **Creating a Preference List**



### **How SOAP Rounds Work**



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## Offer Rounds Thursday, March 17

#### Round 1 9:00 - 11:00 a.m.

8:55 a.m. Deadline to certify preference list for Round 1 offers

9:00 a.m. Applicants receive offers

11:00 a.m. Applicant deadline to accept or reject offers

#### Round 2 12:00 - 2:00 p.m.

11:55 a.m. Deadline to modify and re-certify preference list for Round 2 offers

12:00 p.m. Applicants receive offers

2:00 p.m. Applicant deadline to accept or reject offers

#### Round 3 3:00 – 5:00 p.m.

2:55 p.m. Deadline to modify and re-certify preference list for Round 3 offers

3:00 p.m. Applicants receive offers

5:00 p.m. Applicant deadline to accept or reject Round 3 offers

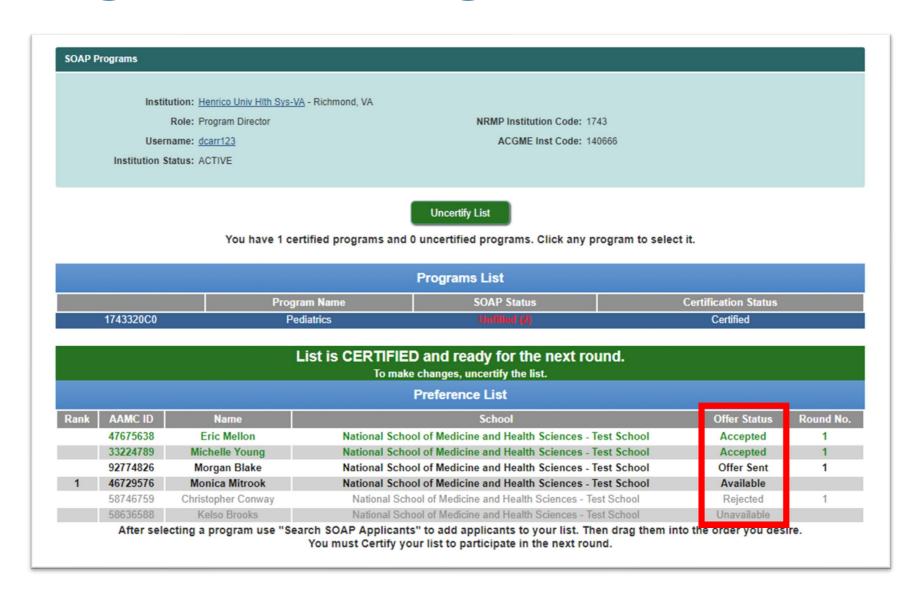
#### Round 4 6:00 – 8:00 p.m.

5:55 p.m. Deadline to modify and re-certify preference list for Round 4 offers

6:00 p.m. Applicants receive offers

8:00 p.m. Applicant deadline to accept or reject Round 4 offers

## Monitoring & Updating Preference Lists



### **After the Rounds**

### **Thursday March 17**

8:30 p.m. Programs can update the number of unfilled positions to be displayed on

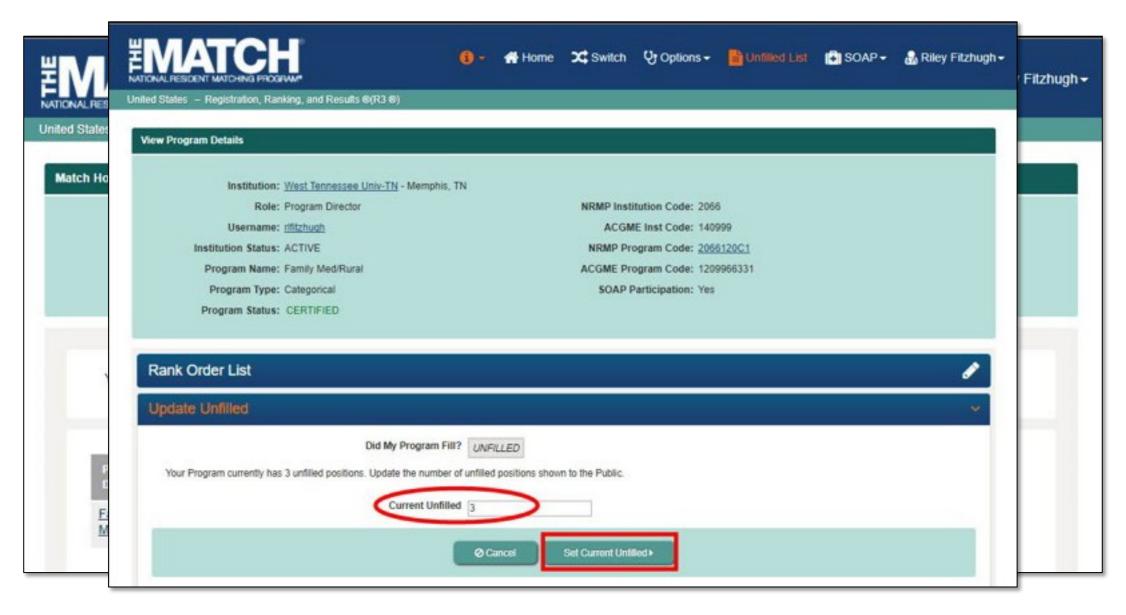
the List of Unfilled Programs

9:00 p.m. **SOAP Ends** 

Updated *List of Unfilled Programs* available to applicants to include remaining unfilled SOAP programs and unfilled programs not participating in SOAP

Note: Program Confidential Roster of Matched Applicants will be released (by email and R3 system) on at 2:00 p.m. ET.

## Updating the List of Unfilled Programs

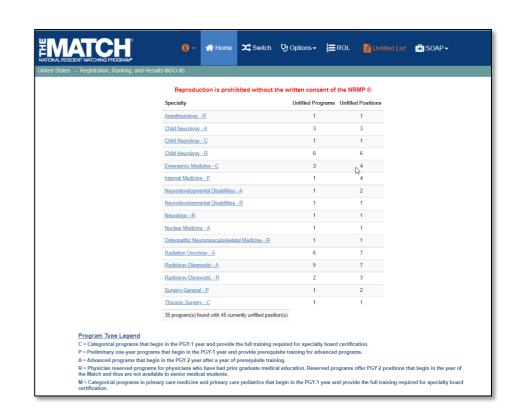


### **Post-SOAP**

All applicants who are unmatched or partially matched will have access to the *List of Unfilled Programs*.

Applicants apply to remaining unfilled programs through ERAS.

Programs can create positions ONLY for partially-matched applicants beginning at 9:00 p.m. Eastern Time on Thursday



### **Match Day!**

### Friday, March 18

12:00 p.m. Medical school Match Day ceremonies.

Program Match Results by Ranked Applicant and SOAP Programs Preferred Applicants available in R3 under Options Reports

Applicant Match results available

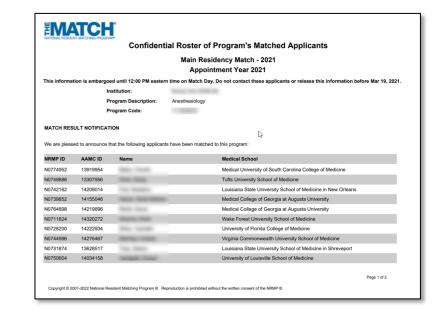
Advance Data Tables available



### **Print and Save Your Reports**

# The Main Residency Match closes in the R3 system at 11:59 p.m. ET on June 30.

- Match reports will no longer be available after June 30.
- Print, save, and archive Match reports for future use.
- NRMP charges \$200 per report after the Match has closed in the R3 system, and only Match Results by Ranked Applicants and Characteristics of Matched Applicants reports will be available.



## Video Resources & Support Guides



### Questions?



# Thank you and Good Luck in the Match!

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