



Policy Corner – June 2025

Important Reminder for Programs

With the 2025 Main Residency Match now concluded, applicants and programs have turned their attention toward efforts and activities needed to complete onboarding for training. But what if there are unexpected bumps in the road? Match policies provide guidance on what to do if a program's status changes after Match Week (e.g., loss of funding/ accreditation/closure).

The NRMP Match Participation Agreement outlines the steps that a program must take in the event it closes and cannot provide training to matched applicants:

13.0 Program Closures and Reduction in Complement of Matched Applicants

Programs closing or reducing the complement of matched applicants on or before the 45th day of training must notify the NRMP in writing of the method it will employ to assist each matched applicant in securing another graduate medical education position.

Although not common, we want to be sure programs are aware of the obligation to inform the NRMP of a change in program status and create a plan to support matched applicants. By working together and communicating effectively, we can help displaced applicants pursue positions in another program to complete their training.

If you have any questions or concerns about this or any other policy, please email policy@nrmp.org. We are here to help ensure a successful transition into residency for all Match participants.