

# **Program Directors Association Guide for Residency Applicants**

**Academic Year:**

**Specialty:**

**Application platform:**

Additional information about application platform:

**Application deadline:**

Additional information about application deadline:

**Match platform:**

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**Letters of recommendation (LORs):**

Total number of LORs recommended:

Is it recommended that all LORs come from within this specialty:

Yes

No

Is it acceptable to submit any LORs after the initial application is submitted?

Yes

No

Is a standardized letter or letter from the department chair recommended?

Yes

No

If yes, is the standardized letter or department chair letter included in the total number of LORs recommended above?

Yes

No

Recommended date by which all LORs should be submitted:

Additional information about LORs:

**Away rotation expectations:**

**Supplemental information:**

Are applicants required to complete supplemental application materials?

Yes

No

If yes, please specify:

Additional information about supplemental information:

**Signal information:**

Please indicate the number of signals available:

Are applicants expected to signal their home institution? Yes

No

Are applicants expected to signal institutions where they completed away rotations?

Yes

No

Additional information about signals:

**Use of USMLE/COMLEX scores:**

What is the recommended date that a USMLE Step 2CK/COMLEX Level 2 score should be available in order for the application to be reviewed?

What is the recommended date that a USMLE Step 2CK/COMLEX Level 2 score should be available in order for an interviewed applicant to be ranked?

Are USMLE scores required or strongly recommended by the specialty even when an applicant has a COMLEX score?

Yes

No

Additional information about USMLE/COMLEX scores:

**Interview invitation process:**

Universal interview release dates recommended?

Yes

No

If yes, please specify the dates:

If no, during what time period are interviews typically offered?

Additional information about interview invitations:

**Recommended Interview format:**      Virtual  
In-person  
Hybrid

Additional information about interview format:

**Additional information for applicants, if relevant (e.g. applicant communication, second look/open houses):**