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2024 -2025 Public Health / General Preventive Medicine (PH/GPM) GENERAL Guide for Residency Applicants

[ACCESS](#) ACPM's list of Preventive Medicine Residency programs and contact the program(s) directly to verify the information listed below.

Application platform: Varies with each program

Most programs use AAMC's ERAS application, however a few programs may have other processes. Please check with each residency program for any additional information about the program's process and deadlines.

For ERAS, please visit [AAMC ERAS](#) for additional information

Application deadline: Varies with each program

PH/GPM Program Directors that participate in ERAS will begin receiving applications on September 25, 2025. Please contact the programs directly for specific deadlines.

Supplemental information: Varies with each program

Individual programs may choose to have a supplemental application process, so contact the individual programs about their process.

ERAS Program Signaling: The specialty of PH/GPM is allocated THREE signals, but all PH/GPM programs may not opt-in for ERAS signaling.

Among the PH/GPM programs that opt for ERAS signaling, PH/GPM applicants can signal their interest in up to **three** programs for interviews. Additional guidance on using program signals is available on the [AAMC ERAS](#), and PH/GPM applicants are encouraged to signal any programs at which they are most interested in interviewing, including their home institution and any other institutions at which they completed an away rotation.

Match platform: Majority of the programs will be participating in NRMP. Please visit the [NRMP website](#) for additional information.

The list of PHGPM programs participating is available in the [NRMP Program Directory](#)

Available funded slots and tracks: Varies with each program

Please contact the programs directly for tracks and slots

Prior Residency Requirement: All PH/GPM Programs require successful completion of at least PGY-1 including 10 months of direct patient care.

Activities in Pathology **will not** count towards direct patient care.

Rarely, one or two programs may have one or two slots for a three-year residency training program that includes preliminary/PGY-1.

USMLE STEP/COMLEX Requirement:

PH/GPM applicants should ideally have both their Step 1, Step 2CK transcripts, or COMLEX Level 1 or Level 2-CE) available for programs to review by the application opening date.

Most programs require successful completion of Step 3 by the program start date. Contact programs directly for information about each program

Letters of recommendation: Majority of PH/GPM programs require three Letters of Recommendation (LORs) (including a letter from a residency Program Director)

We recommend that applicants to PH/GPM programs submit at least three LORs as part of their application including a letter from a residency program director where applicants completed at least one year of their residency.

The letters do not have to be from this specialty. There is no specific recommendation for the letters to be from a Department Chair etc., although individual programs may have different requirements.

Please contact the programs directly for information.

Away rotation expectations: Not required

Away rotations that are consistent with the specialty of PH/GPM (in the fourth year of medical school), are appreciated, but not required.

Please contact the programs directly for more information.

Interview invitation process: No universal interview dates; Varies with each program

PH/GPM does not have any universal or specific interview dates. Typically, the interview period is from October 2024 through January 2025.

Please contact the programs directly for more information.

Interview format: PH/GPM programs will utilize virtual interviews for this application cycle.

Please contact the programs directly for more information.

Second look/Open house planning: Varies with each program.

Most PH/GPM programs **may not** offer Second Look/Open house planning. Please contact the programs directly for more information.

Visa requirements for Foreign Medical Graduates: Varies with each program. Please contact the programs directly for more information.