

CASPR Residency Application and Matching Service Applicant Agreement

The Central Application Service for Podiatric Residencies (CASPR) is a national residency application and matching service for podiatric medical and surgical residencies provided by the American Association of Colleges of Podiatric Medicine (AACPM) and administered by National Matching Services Inc. (NMS). I elect to participate as an applicant in the **2025 cycle of CASPR**. I agree to comply with the rules and regulations governing the application, selection, matching, and appointment to entry-level podiatric residency positions participating in CASPR.

Specifically, I agree to:

1. Follow the [CASPR schedule of dates](#) as shown on the NMS CASPR website (natmatch.com/caspr) which is incorporated into this agreement by reference. I understand that adherence to those published dates and deadlines is solely my responsibility and failure to make fee payments and comply with any established deadline - particularly application, program selection/designation, and ranking deadlines - may result in my becoming ineligible to participate in CASPR.
2. Submit my application to residency programs only through the CASPR system until the completion of the CASPR Match and Match Phase II (MPII).
3. Provide complete and accurate information to CASPR and to the programs to which I apply. I understand that I am solely responsible for the completeness, timeliness, and accuracy of the information I provide to residency programs.
4. **Research and meet all program eligibility requirements for appointment to the residency position**, and all deadlines for supplemental fees and materials required by my designated residency programs.
5. Accept that CASPR, AACPM, and NMS do not establish residency requirements - including eligibility, resident selection, or the terms of any contract between a resident and a residency program - and have no responsibility for any changes in status of any participating residency program.
6. Accept the Terms of Use and Privacy Policies as shown on the AACPM and NMS CASPR websites and acknowledges that AACPM and/or NMS may contact me by email and/or phone regarding my participation in CASPR.
7. Pay NMS a registration fee of \$600 USD for the 2025 CASPR cycle, which includes up to twelve (12) applications submitted to programs, and participation in both the Match and MPII, if necessary.
 - I understand that for every application in excess of twelve (12) that I submit to programs for the Match and MPII using the CASPR system, I must pay NMS an additional application fee of \$15 USD.
 - I acknowledge that the CASPR Registration Fee and any additional application fees are non-refundable and non-transferable.
8. Acknowledge that I may apply to as many programs as I choose and to rank them according to my judgment.
9. **Not require or demand that a residency program state how it will or did rank me. I may freely discuss any matter with a residency program, and both programs and I may express a high level of interest in each other. I may voluntarily inform a program as to whether or not I intend to rank the program, and a program may voluntarily inform me as to whether or not it intends to rank me. However, neither the program nor I may solicit such information from the other party. In addition, neither party may disclose to the other party or solicit from the other party any information regarding the positioning of any applicant or program on a rank order list. Furthermore, any expression of interest or intention to rank that may be made during the free discussion between the program and me is subject to change based on further considerations. Both programs and I have the right to change our rankings at any time prior to the submission deadline for rank order lists.**
10. Accept that the listing of a program on my rank order list for either the CASPR Match or MPII establishes a **binding commitment** to accept a residency appointment if I am matched to that program, and to begin training in good faith (i.e., with the intent to complete the program) on

the date specified in the appointment contract provided by the program.

If I am matched in the CASPR Match, I must accept appointment to the matched program and will not be permitted to participate in MPII.

My appointment to a residency position is subject to the official policies of the appointing institution and is contingent upon my meeting all eligibility requirements imposed by those policies.

Absent a waiver from AACPM, failure to honor this commitment is a breach of this Agreement.

I understand that CASPR is a service used by registered participants, and the judgments regarding resident selection and/or contract negotiations remain exclusively with the registered participants.

I authorize AACPM and NMS to release my name, medical college, graduation year, and the 5-digit Code Number assigned to me for CASPR to all participating residency programs.

I authorize AACPM and NMS to release any information in my application and related documents to the residency program(s) I select/designate and to use this information for research purposes.

I authorize residency programs to consult with others regarding my professional competence, character, and ethical character. I further authorize individuals and organizations to provide good faith information that is without malice to residency programs regarding my professional competence, character, and ethical character.

I authorize the National Board of Podiatric Medical Examiners (NBPME) and its authorized testing provider to release my APMLE score report data to AACPM and NMS. I authorize AACPM and NMS to provide my score report data to any program to which I apply. It is my responsibility to correct any errors or omissions in my APMLE score report data directly with NBPME and its authorized testing provider.

I authorize AACPM and NMS to publicly release my placement status, as a matched or unmatched applicant, at the time of the official CASPR Match and MPII notification announcements.

I understand that any significant misstatement, omission, or change to my application information, as determined by AACPM in its sole judgement, may be cause for disqualification from CASPR and/or rejection or dismissal from a residency position.

I understand that the rank order list I submit to CASPR is the sole determinant of my order of preference for programs participating in the CASPR Match. Similarly, the rank order list submitted to CASPR by each program is the sole determinant of the program's order of preference for applicants participating in the CASPR Match. The same applies to rank order lists that may be submitted by me and programs for MPII.

I understand that my participation in CASPR does not guarantee that I will be matched with any podiatric residency program.

I understand that CASPR, including access to the online systems, may be interrupted by causes beyond AACPM and/or NMS control, and that the systems are not guaranteed to operate error-free.

I agree to indemnify and hold harmless AACPM and NMS, their officers, directors, employees and assigns, from any and all claims arising from my participation in CASPR and the application and matching services that AACPM and NMS perform.

I understand that violations of the terms of this Agreement may result in being terminated or suspended from CASPR and/or a residency position, legal actions, and/or professional sanctions being initiated against me.