#### Association of Chiropractic Colleges

## CHIROPRACTIC RESIDENCY MATCH (Chiro Match)

## Overview of the 2025 Chiro Match

The Chiro Match is an Application Service and Matching Program that provides an orderly process to help applicants obtain positions of their choice, and to help programs obtain applicants of their choice.

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### **Registration**

To participate in the 2025 Chiro Match, each Program Director must <u>register</u> the program in the NMS Match System by November 11, 2024, or as soon as possible thereafter. Account information is not carried over from previous years for security reasons. Detailed <u>step-by-step instructions</u> for registration are available online.

Each program must register one or more tracks in the Chiro Match. A track refers to a specific stream or type of training. It is anticipated that most programs will offer only one track. Programs must include in the Chiro Match all available positions that start training in 2024.

A list of participating programs will be posted on the Chiro Match website by December 2, 2024. Only programs that are registered for the Chiro Match can obtain applications from the Chiro Match application service and participate in the Match.

#### Manage Your Account >>

Once registered, you can log into the NMS Match System to update program and track information, including updating contact information, modifying the number of positions offered in the Match, or adding an additional track to your program. You can also add secondary users to your account to assist in managing your program information and applications in the NMS Match System. If your program will not offer any positions in 2025, it must be withdrawn from the Chiro Match by the Rank Order List deadline.

# **Applications ⊘**

Applicants apply to programs using the <u>Chiro Match Application Service</u>. Prior to the release of the Match results, programs must accept and consider only applications submitted by applicants through the Chiro Match Application Service.

The NMS Match System opens for programs to review applications beginning on December 2, 2024. Information about the <u>contents of the Chiro Match application</u> is available on the Chiro Match website. The Application Service provides <u>online tools</u> for programs to organize and evaluate applications.

All programs have a default application deadline date of January 24, 2025. However, programs are free to extend the deadline date to any day up to February 19, 2025. No applications can be received after this date.

# Interviews 🗁

Applicants and programs evaluate each other independently of the Chiro Match. The NMS Match System has an <u>interview scheduling module</u> that allows programs to streamline and automate their interview scheduling process. Programs are encouraged, but not required, to schedule their interviews using the NMS Match System.

All applicant interviews must be completed before the Rank Order List deadline.

You must provide applicants with all institution and program policies related to eligibility requirements for appointment prior to the Rank Order List deadline. You may not require a commitment from or make an offer of appointment to any applicant prior to the release of the Chiro Match results.

### **Rankings** $\triangleright$

Once interviews and evaluations are complete, all programs and applicants submit Rank Order Lists of their preferred choices into the NMS Match System by the Rank Order List deadline. The <u>Rankings User Guide</u> has step-by-step instructions for entering and certifying your Rank Order List.

You must prepare a separate Rank Order List for each track offered by your program. Your Rank Order List for each track should include all applicants who are acceptable for the track, ordered according to your true preferences. When creating your Rank Order List, you should not consider how an applicant might rank your program. The Chiro Match website has more information about the <u>optimal ranking strategy</u>.

If you certify a Rank Order List of applicants and do not withdraw prior to the Rank Order List deadline, the Rank Order List will be used in the Match. Your program must offer appointment to all applicants matched with your program, as outlined in the <u>Program Agreement and Rules</u>.

## **Results**

NMS uses an established and proven <u>matching algorithm</u> to process the Rank Order Lists submitted by applicants and programs. Each track will be matched with the most preferred applicant(s) on its Rank Order List, up to the number of positions to be filled, who have ranked the track and who have not matched to a program they prefer.

<u>Chiro Match results</u> are made available online and by email on the Match Results Day. The Chiro Match result constitutes a binding obligation between your program and the applicant(s) matched with your program. Appointment of an applicant to a position may be contingent on the applicant satisfying any institution and program eligibility requirements for appointment specified to the applicant by the program prior to the Rank Order List deadline.

Programs that do not fill all positions and applicants who do not obtain a position in the Match may participate in the <u>Post-Match Process</u> to fill any positions that remain available.

## Help Resources **⋈**

For additional information, review the <u>Chiro Match website</u>, including the <u>Overview for Programs</u> and Frequently Asked Questions, or contact NMS support.