Association of Chiropractic Colleges CHIROPRACTIC RESIDENCY MATCH PROGRAM AGREEMENT

The Chiropractic Residency Match (Chiro Match) is a program of the Association of Chiropractic Colleges (ACC). By registering in the Chiro Match for residency positions that start training in 2024, this program agrees with ACC and other Chiro Match participants to:

- 1. Offer all positions at the program that start training in 2024 through the Chiro Match. Positions which cannot be assured, for funding or other reasons, by the Rank Order List deadline should not be offered in the Chiro Match.
- Fulfill the Eligibility Requirements to participate in the Chiro Match as established by ACC and shown on the Chiro Match website at natmatch.com/chiro.
- 3. Abide by the Schedule of Dates and Rules of the Match shown on the Chiro Match website at natmatch.com/chiro, which are incorporated by reference in and are an integral part of this Agreement.
- 4. Provide complete and accurate information to applicants prior to the Rank Order List deadline concerning the position(s) being offered in the Chiro Match, including all institution and program policies related to eligibility requirements for appointment.
- 5. Accept and consider only applications submitted through the Chiro Match application service prior to the release of the Chiro Match results.
- 6. Require no commitment from any applicant and make no offer of appointment to any applicant prior to the release of the Chiro Match results.
- 7. Offer an appointment to each applicant matched with this program. The Chiro Match result constitutes a binding commitment between the program and applicant(s) with whom it has been matched. The program may be subject to legal action by the applicant and/or action by ACC if it does not offer appointment to each applicant matched with the program.
- 8. Send a letter of confirmation of the Chiro Match result to each applicant matched with this program as soon as possible and no later than 10 working days after the Chiro Match results are released.
- 9. Not offer a position to any applicant who was matched elsewhere unless the applicant has received a formal written release of their Match commitment from the program with which the applicant matched.

The program may freely discuss any matter with an applicant that does not include ranking information, and each may express a high level of interest in the other. A program may voluntarily inform an applicant as to whether or not it intends to rank the applicant, and an applicant may voluntarily inform a program as to whether or not the applicant intends to rank the program. However, neither party (program or applicant) may solicit such ranking 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 prior to the release of the Match results. Furthermore, any expression of interest or intention to rank made during the discussion between the program and any applicant is subject to change based on further considerations. Both the program and the applicant have the right to change their Rank Order Lists at any time prior to the Rank Order List deadline.

The Rank Order List submitted by each program is the sole determinant of the program's order of preference for participating applicants. Similarly, the Rank Order List submitted by each applicant is the sole determinant of the applicant's order of preference for participating programs.

Information concerning the participation of the program in the Chiro Match, including but not limited to its status, applications, and results, may be reported to Chiro Match participants, ACC, and others deemed appropriate by ACC.

The program agrees to the Terms of Use and Privacy Policies of the Chiro Match websites as shown at <u>natmatch.com/chiro</u>, and agrees that National Matching Services Inc. (NMS), may contact the program by email and/or phone regarding its participation in the Chiro Match.

It is understood that ACC has the authority to enforce this Agreement. If this program violates any of the terms of this Agreement or the Chiro Match Rules, such as refusing to offer an appointment to an applicant matched to this program, the violation will be reported to ACC. ACC may report the program's actions to other Match participants, and may impose penalties on the program, including barring the program from future participation in the Chiro Match.

The program agrees that neither the ACC, NMS, nor any director, officer, employee, affiliate, or agent of the ACC or NMS will be liable for any loss, damage, cost, or expense whatsoever, direct or indirect, regardless of the cause, that may arise out of, or be in any way related to, this Agreement.