Association of Genetic Counseling Program Directors

THE GENETIC COUNSELING ADMISSIONS MATCH APPLICANT AGREEMENT

I plan to apply for a position in a genetic counseling masters program that starts between May 1, 2024 and January 31, 2025. In order to participate in the Genetic Counseling Admissions Match (the Match), I agree:

- 1. To abide by the Match Rules as shown on the Match website (<u>natmatch.com/gcadmissions</u>), which are incorporated by reference in and are an integral part of this Agreement.
- 2. To abide by the Schedule of Dates of the Match as shown on the Match website (<u>natmatch.com/gcadmissions</u>), which is incorporated by reference in and is an integral part of this Agreement.
- 3. To provide complete and accurate information to the Match and to all programs to which I apply.
- 4. Not to make any commitment to or contract with any participating program prior to the release of the Match results. This does not preclude expressing strong interest to a program without any guarantee of how the program will be ranked.
- 5. That if I choose not to participate in the Match for any reason, then I will submit a withdrawal from the Match by the Rank Order List deadline and will not submit a Rank Order List for the Match.
- 6. To accept admission to the program with which I am matched. The program I match with will send a letter of confirmation of the Match result to me no later than 10 working days after the Match Results Day as specified in the Schedule of Dates. I will return the letter in accordance with the program's instructions within 17 working days of the Match Results Day. I cannot avoid accepting admission to the program with which I am matched without a written release from the program concerned; also, another program participating in the Match cannot offer me a position unless I have this release.
- 7. To pay a non-refundable, non-transferable, irrevocable applicant fee of \$100 USD to register for the Match.

I am free to make contacts with any participating program in which I am interested, and to apply to as many of these programs as I wish. My application to any participating program may only be considered once I have registered to participate in the Match.

Prior to the Rank Order List deadline, I may request from any program, in writing, the full details and eligibility requirements of any financial aid or employment opportunities that would be granted to me if I match with the program.

I may express a high level of interest in a program. 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 party (applicant or program) may solicit such ranking information from the other party, and neither party may solicit from or disclose to 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 made during the free discussion between me and a program is subject to change based on further considerations.

The Rank Order List I submit to the Match is the sole determinant of my order of preference for the programs participating in the Match. Similarly, the Rank Order List submitted to the Match by each program is the sole determinant of the program's order of preference for applicants participating in the Match.

I agree to accept the <u>Terms of Use</u> and <u>Privacy Policies</u> as shown at <u>natmatch.com/gcadmissions</u>, and agree that National Matching Services Inc. may contact me by email and/or phone regarding my participation in the Match.

I agree that information concerning my participation in the Match, including my contact and educational information, my status, the result I obtain in the Match, whether I am matched or not, and to which program I have been matched, may be reported to programs participating in the Match, as well as to the Association of Genetic Counseling Program Directors (AGCPD) also known as Genetic Counselor Educators Association (GCEA), and other parties deemed appropriate by AGCPD/GCEA. The information provided to the Match may be used for research purposes.

My appointment to the program with which I am matched may be contingent on my satisfying eligibility requirements specified by the institution and program.

AGCPD/GCEA is responsible for enforcing this Agreement, and violations of the terms of this Agreement or the Match Rules will be reported to AGCPD/GCEA. If I violate any of the terms of this Agreement or the Match Rules, such as refusing to accept a position at the program with which I have been matched, AGCPD/GCEA may investigate and impose penalties on me, including barring me from participation in future Genetic Counseling Admissions Matches.