

Association of Genetic Counseling Program Directors

THE GENETIC COUNSELING ADMISSIONS MATCH

PROGRAM AGREEMENT

The program agrees to participate in and abide by this Program Agreement for the Genetic Counseling Admissions Match (the "Match") for positions that start between May 1, 2019 and January 31, 2020 as stated below. In particular, it is understood that the program agrees to:

1. Abide by the Match Rules as shown on the Match web site (natmatch.com/gcadmissions), which are incorporated by reference in and are an integral part of this Agreement.
2. Abide by the Schedule of Dates of the Match as shown on the Match web site (natmatch.com/gcadmissions), which is incorporated by reference in and is an integral part of this Agreement.
3. Allow the Accreditation Council for Genetic Counseling (ACGC) to release to the Association of Genetic Counseling Program Directors (AGCPD) and NMS their current accreditation status as of the date specified by AGCPD, as well as any non-public accreditation contingencies related to the matriculation of students into the program for the current Match cycle.
4. Offer through the Match all positions being offered by the program that start between May 1, 2019 and January 31, 2020.
5. Provide complete and accurate information to applicants concerning the position(s) available through the Match, including all institution and program policies and eligibility requirements related to admission and the full details and specifics of any financial aid or employment opportunities that would be granted to an applicant upon admission, contingent on the applicant's eligibility.
6. Consider applications prior to the release of the Match results only from those applicants who are registered to participate in the Match.
7. Notify National Matching Services Inc. of any changes in the programs or positions offered in the Match by the Rank Order List deadline specified in the Schedule of Dates.
8. Require no commitments from applicants and make no offers of appointment to applicants prior to the release of the Match results. This does not preclude expressing strong interest to applicants without any guarantee of ranking.
9. Offer admission to all applicants matched with this program.
10. Send a letter of confirmation of the Match result to each applicant matched with this program within 10 working days of the results release date as specified in the Schedule of Dates.
11. Not offer a position to any applicant who was matched elsewhere and who has not received a written release from the program concerned.

It is understood that the program may freely discuss any matter with an applicant, 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 directly inquire about specific ranking information from the other party. That is, 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 intent to rank made during the free discussion between a program and an applicant is subject to change based on further considerations. **Both the program and the applicant have the right to change their minds about their rankings at any time prior to the submission of the Rank Order Lists.**

For the purposes of the Match, the Rank Order List(s) submitted by each program is to be the sole determinant of the program's order of preference among the applicants to that program. Similarly, for the purposes of the Match, the Rank Order List submitted by each applicant is to be the sole determinant of the applicant's order of preference among the participating programs to which he or she has applied.

It is understood that information concerning the participation of the program in the Match, including the Match results, may be reported to the program and to AGCPD electronically (e.g., by e-mail).

The program agrees to accept the Terms of Use and Privacy policies of the Match web sites, as shown at natmatch.com/gcadmissions.

It is understood that AGCPD is responsible for enforcing this Agreement, and violations of the terms of this Agreement will be reported to AGCPD. It is also understood that if this program violates any of the terms of this Agreement or the Match Rules, such as offering an appointment to an applicant who has matched to another program, AGCPD may investigate and impose penalties on this program such as cancellation or denial of AGCPD memberships, and/or barring this program from participation in future Genetic Counseling Admissions Matches.