

Military and the Match

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Objectives

- Describe the timeline for graduate medical education in the military system.
- Compare and contrast the current military and civilian graduate medical education application and selection processes.
- Understand the impact of current practices in the military on civilian GME selection.

GME in the Military

- Internship/PGY-1 application follows a similar timeline as the civilian Match, although results are known in December.
 - ERAS/NRMP vs. MODS
- However, in the military, 4th year medical students apply for *internship only*.
 - Most will complete internship at a military hospital.
 - A select few will be allowed to request a civilian deferment for internship +/- residency.
 - May apply to ERAS and military match without conflict.

Post-internship in the Military

- During internship, they apply for follow-on residency training and/or operational assignment as a General Medical Officer (GMO).
 - Most will complete an operational tour as a GMO, flight surgeon or diving medical officer.
 - Usually 2-4 years
 - A select few will be permitted to go straight through in residency training, depending on specialty and needs of the military.

Operational Medicine



Residency Training in the Military

- Application for residency follows a similar timeline as the civilian match, although results are known in December.
- Apply during last year of GMO tour.
 - Most will apply for military residency.
 - Some may be approved for deferment to civilian training, depending on the needs of the military.
 - May apply to ERAS and military match without conflict.

Fellowship Training in the Military

- Current military system and the (new) Fellowship Match system are out of sync.
- Fellowships have moved towards the Match which involves a year and a half process, starting with application in January.
- Military GME selection remains ~ 6 month process (July – Dec), and is too late to apply through the fellowship Match.

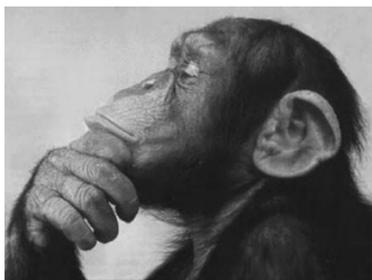
Fellowship Training in the Military

- The only current option is selection outside the Match, after the results of the Military GME selection board are released in December.
 - Benefit to civilian programs is that the position is fully funded by the military.

Fellowship Training in the Military

- The military is now moving towards a “Pre-Select” option for fellowship.
 - Will occur 2 years in advance and will allow timely participation in the fellowship Match.
 - Likely won't be in effect until 2018

Questions?



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