

AASPD OB Anesthesia Subspecialty Breakout Session

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Agenda

- 2:45 - 3:00 PM: Introductions and Overview
- 3:00 - 3:30 PM: Discuss transition to SF Match
- 3:30 - 3:45 PM: Dr. Glenn Woodworth re: Entrustable Professional Activities
- 3:45 - 4:00 PM: Break
- 4:00 PM - 5:15 PM: Curriculum development/brainstorming
- 5:15 - 5:30 PM: Wrap up/next steps

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OBSTETRIC ANESTHESIA FELLOWSHIP UPDATE

- 90% of programs have committed to a match through SF Match
- 90% of positions will be in the match
- Exceptions will be honored.
- Contract with *Society of Obstetric Anesthesia and Perinatology* being finalized
- Programs will receive an e-mail with instructions to register for SF Match once available



- **Cost to program:**
 - Year 1: Entry fee + match cost = **\$325 per program**
 - Subsequent Years: **\$150 per program per year**
- **Cost to Applicant:**
 - **\$50 one time fee**
- **Timeline:**
 - November 15, 2020: Applicants can begin registering with SF match
 - Rank list deadline: June 16, 2020 (anticipated)
 - Match Day: June 23, 2020

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SF MATCH EXCEPTIONS:



1. Applicants who are in **active military service** at the time of application.
2. **Internal candidates**, i.e. applicants who are currently in the anesthesiology residency program at the same institution as the OB Anesthesia fellowship.
3. **Dual fellowships**: Applicants who are making a commitment to come to the institution of the OB anesthesia fellowship for more than one year.
4. **International/Not ABA eligible**: Applicants who are enrolled in an anesthesiology residency outside the USA at the time of the application, and/or who are not eligible for ABA certification due to non-US training.
5. Applicants whose **spouse or partner is applying for a GME-approved post graduate training program** in a medical specialty in the same region as the OB Anesthesia fellowship.

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OB ANES FELLOWSHIP PROGRAMS (N = 56)		OB ANES FELLOWSHIP POSITIONS (N = 91)	
United States N = 50	International N = 6	United States N = 79	International N = 12
ACGME = 38 ACGME in progress = 7 Non-ACGME = 5	International programs will not participate in match	ACGME = 63 ACGME in progress = 8 Non-ACGME = 8	International programs will not participate in match
45/50 US programs in match (90%)		71/79 US positions in match (90%)	

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BENEFITS?

- Transparent, fair, and valid application process
- Ability to track applicant volume & unfilled positions over time to assess trends.
- Larger applicant volume
- Remove pressure from applicants to make quick, uninformed decisions
- Increased visibility for programs to applicants

CHALLENGES?

- Cost to programs
- Cost to applicants
- Keeping programs committed to process even in years when doesn't serve their interests.

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