



February 21, 2019

Dear Students:

As you all know, Match Day for the first iteration of the 2019 R-1 Main Residency Match is **Tuesday, February 26, 2019**. This is likely both an exciting and anxious time for you, and on behalf of OHPSA, I would like to extend my sincere well wishes to all of you, for a successful match.

This year, CaRMS will make results available in a 2-stage process:

1. **Monday, February 25th at 12PM EST:** CaRMS will release to OHPSA the names of students who:
 - a) Are not matched to a residency position, and
 - b) Have opted-in to have this information released to us early.

2. **Match Day - Tuesday, February 26th at 12PM EST:** Results will be made available to all applicants via CaRMS Online. In the event that CaRMS is unable, for whatever reason, to display match results for you online, they will send you the results to your listed email address. This may cause a delay of 2 hours.

What Happens If You Don't Match?

While most of you will match to one of your preferred choices, unfortunately there will likely be a small number of students who do not match to a residency program in this iteration. For any unmatched students, rest assured that OHPSA will be ready to provide individual assistance for you.

The following outlines OHPSA's plans for the two stages. **Should you be unmatched, all students (including MAM students) are strongly encouraged to be available for these activities:**

1. Monday, February 25th

Unmatched opted-in students will be notified by one of the following two modes of communication:

A. Email Notification (Default)

After receiving the names of all unmatched opted-in students, by default OHPSA will attempt to notify students of their unmatched status via email by 4PM the latest and proceed to book you into the February 26th Match Day activities.

B. Phone Notification

If you prefer a telephone notification from a faculty member, please email Katie Raymond (ohpsa.reception@utoronto.ca) the following information from your University of Toronto email

address by **Friday, February 22nd at 4PM EST**. No requests will be accommodated after the deadline:

- Full first name and last name as it appears on your student registration
- Student number
- Phone number to contact you at

For students who register to receive a phone notification, a faculty member will make a maximum of two attempts to contact you between 12-4PM EST on Monday, February 25, 2019. Please note, the faculty member will only speak with the student once their identity is confirmed on the call. No messages will be left.

If the faculty member is unable to speak to you after two call attempts, an email communication will be delivered to your inbox. Phone calls will also be followed up with an email communication.

Once we have completed contacting all known unmatched students, we will send out an email notifying all students of this.

Important Note: If you are not contacted by OHPSA by 4PM on February 25th, this only means your match status is still unknown and you must wait for Match Day to learn your results. No other conclusions can be drawn at that time.

Please do not contact OHPSA or anyone else within the Faculty of Medicine and Post-Graduate Medical Education asking for your match status, as no one will have additional information.

2. Match Day – Tuesday, February 26th

At noon, your match status will be posted via your CaRMS Online account. If you are confirmed as unmatched and were contacted the previous day, please participate in the Match Day activities as planned.

If you are confirmed as unmatched and were not contacted the previous day, please do the following:

- A. **Students Able to Attend in Person:** Proceed to the Dean's Conference Room (RM 2317) in the Medical Science Building, St. George Campus for 12:30PM to participate in the Match Day activities from (12:30PM-5PM).
- B. **Students Unable to Attend in Person:** Dial into the following number at 12:30PM EST to participate in the Match Day activities.

Teleconference / Zoom Details

Join Zoom Meeting Online: <https://zoom.us/j/758213869> (Note: You will be prompted to run software.)

Dial-In: +1 647-558-0588 (Canada)

Meeting ID: 758 213 869

Find your local number: <https://zoom.us/u/ab9CN27Vj>

If you are not able to join us via any of those routes, then please call my Assistant, Jonathon at 416-978-2713 to arrange an alternate time to speak with me. Please let your hospital/clinic supervisor and/or academy Medical Education office know that you need to leave your clinical placement and come to MSB/OHPSA for the afternoon.

Please feel free to bring with you a support person to accompany you throughout the Match Day activities.

Other Details

Personal Counselling

OHPSA have personal counsellors on standby to provide same-day appointments on **Monday, February 25th** and **Tuesday, February 26th**. If you would like to meet with one, please do not hesitate to contact us at **416-978-2764** to book an appointment.

Time Off

All students have been granted **Tuesday, February 26th** off from their clinical and academic responsibilities.

Unmatched students are entitled to a maximum of 5 days off, which includes the afternoon of **Monday, February 25th** and **Tuesday, February 26th**.

If you have any other questions or concerns please call the **OHPSA main line** at **416-978-2764**. The details from this email can also be found on Matchchannel: md.utoronto.ca/matchannel

Please let me assure you that we will be with you all the way through this process, and that our students have excellent success in achieving a positive outcome. Best of luck.

Dr. Tony Pignatiello

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