

AMCAS Actions

DF - Defer Matriculation to Future Class

This action should be used if an applicant has accepted an offer of admission but has asked to defer or delay matriculation until a future year. This action is considered final.

MA - Matriculated

This action must be submitted for all accepted applicants who officially enroll and are in attendance when classes start. This action is considered final.

PR - Preliminary Rejection

This action is used when an applicant is rejected based on an initial application review. For example, a state medical school that does not consider out-of-state applicants should use Preliminary Rejection for an applicant rejected immediately because s/he does not meet residency requirements based on the information provided to AMCAS. This category allows schools to separate reports based on those applications immediately rejected as opposed to those rejected after committee review. This action is considered final.

PW - Passive Withdrawal

This action should be used when an applicant whose application has been processed by AMCAS, but fails to meet the application requirements set by the individual medical school, and who by virtue of failing to meet such requirements is removed from consideration by the medical school. For example, an applicant who neglects to submit a secondary (supplemental) application effectively withdraws him or herself from consideration by the medical school. This action is considered final.

RJ - Rejected / Not Accepted

This action should be used when an applicant is rejected following Admissions Committee review. This action is considered final.

WA - Withdrawn After Acceptance

This action should be used when an applicant withdraws from consideration after having been offered an acceptance. This action is considered final.

WB - Withdrawn Before Action / Withdrawn Before Acceptance

This action is used when an applicant notifies the medical school of his/her intention to withdraw before the school has made any admission decision. This action is considered final.

AC - Accepted

This action is used for any applicant to whom an official offer of acceptance has been tendered.

AL - Alternate List

This action may be used for applicants who have been placed on a school's alternate acceptance list.

DR - Defer to Regular Pool

This action is used when an applicant applies for a special program, such as early decision or combined degree, but has been moved to the regular pool of applicants by the medical school.

HO – Hold for Information

This action may be used for applicants still under consideration but for whom additional information or review may be necessary.

OT – Other / Custom School admission action

Use this non-final action type if none of the other non-final action types are applicable.

NA - No Action

This is the initial/default action our system issues to AMCAS applicants.