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SOAP® Week Basics

GSA Community Call
February 16, 2023



Association of
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Agenda

- **Introductions**
- **SOAP® Week Timeline**
- **Resources & Partners**
- **Strategies & Dilemmas**
- **Open Discussion**

Introductions

- **Hilit Mechaber, MD**

Sr. Assoc Dean for Student Affairs, University of Miami Miller School of Medicine

- **Michele Oesterheld, MBA**

Director, ERAS

- **Mary Halicki**

Director, Careers in Medicine

- **Joshua Hanson, MD, MPH, MBA**

Associate Dean for Student Affairs, UT Health San Antonio Long School of Medicine

Housekeeping

- We will monitor the chat, please hold questions until the open discussion.

Objectives

- Following this presentations participants will be able to:
- Describe the basics of SOAP®
- Describes the use of the MyERAS application and Careers in Medicine during SOAP®™
- Construct local strategies to advise their students during the week

SOAP® TIMELINE

Monday

ET	CT	MT	PT	HT	
9:30 AM	8:30 AM	7:30 AM	6:30 AM	3:30 AM	School officials find out who their unmatched applicants are.
10:00 AM	9:00 AM	8:00 AM	7:00 AM	4:00 AM	Applicants learn if they matched. Programs learn if they filled. Schools receive list of unfilled programs
11:00 AM	10:00 AM	9:00 AM	8:00 AM	5:00 AM	AAMC ERAS opens MyERAS for SOAP applicants

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Tuesday

8:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 AM	5:00 AM	2:00 AM	Program Directors can begin reviewing SOAP applications
11:30 AM	10:30 AM	9:30 AM	8:30 AM	5:30 AM	Programs may begin creating creating SOAP preference lists in the R3 system

Wednesday

All Day

Programs may conduct interviews and create preferences

Thursday

9:00 AM	8:00 AM	7:00 AM	6:00 AM	3:00 AM	Round 1 offers (2 hour window to accept)
12:00 PM	11:00 AM	10:00 AM	9:00 AM	6:00 AM	Round 2 offers (2 hour window to accept)
3:00 PM	2:00 PM	1:00 PM	12:00 PM	9:00 AM	Round 3 offers (2 hour window to accept)
6:00 PM	5:00 PM	4:00 PM	3:00 PM	12:00 PM	Round 4 offers (2 hour window to accept)

SOAP® RESOURCES

Resources

- SOAP® Listserv – not the GSA listserv
- CiM resources
- The ERAS Program in SOAP®
- Regional Office Hours
 - NEGSA week of Feb 20
 - WGSA week of Feb 27
 - SGSA week of Mar 6
 - CGSA TBD

SOAP® Listserv Details

- Registration opens after ROL deadline on Thursday, March 2, detailed instructions will be provided by the NRMP®
- Listserv becomes active on Monday, March 13 at 9 a.m. ET
- Monitored by both the NRMP® and The ERAS program staff
- Listserv designed for residency program staff, medical school staff, and institutional officials

The ERAS program SOAP® Information

The ERAS Program Resources

Resources	Webinars	Communications
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• ERAS and NRMP® SOAP® Guide for Applicants• ERAS and NRMP® SOAP® Guide for Programs• ERAS Applicant Checklist for SOAP®• ERAS Applicant SOAP® FAQs	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• SOAP® 101 Webinar for Applicant – Tuesday, March 7• Using the PDWS during SOAP® Webinar – Friday, March 3	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• NRMP® Listserv• Email Communications started on Wednesday, February 8• Social Media (Twitter) started on Wednesday, February 8

2023 Match Week and SOAP® Schedule

- Monday, March 13 – Friday, March 17
- Applicants can submit a total of 45 applications
- Reminder about Program Signal use during SOAP®

Requirements in MyERAS during SOAP®

In order to apply to programs in ERAS during SOAP®:

- ❑ Applicants must be SOAP®-eligible (eligibility is determined by NRMP).
 - Applicants may refer to the NRMP Registration, Ranking, and Results (R3) system for their match status.
- ❑ The MyERAS Application must be Certified & Submitted
 - For those who submitted an application during ERAS 2023, this step is complete.
 - For those who did not complete this as part of the regular ERAS 2023 season, go to the MyERAS application and certify and submit prior to Match week.

ERAS SOAP® Information



- SOAP® 2023 ERAS Schedule
- Pre-SOAP® Tasks
- SOAP® Resources
- ERAS Fees During SOAP®
- Once SOAP® begins
- ERAS Fees Post SOAP®
- After SOAP® concludes

Careers in Medicine Resources

careersinmedicine.aamc.org

- **Match Risk Assessment Toolkit***

- <https://careersinmedicine.aamc.org/advisors-liaisons/residency-match-risk-assessment-toolkit>

- **Checklist: Preparing for and Managing SOAP®***

- <https://careersinmedicine.aamc.org/media/3871/download>

- **Checklist: At-Risk Students***

- <https://careersinmedicine.aamc.org/media/2376/download>

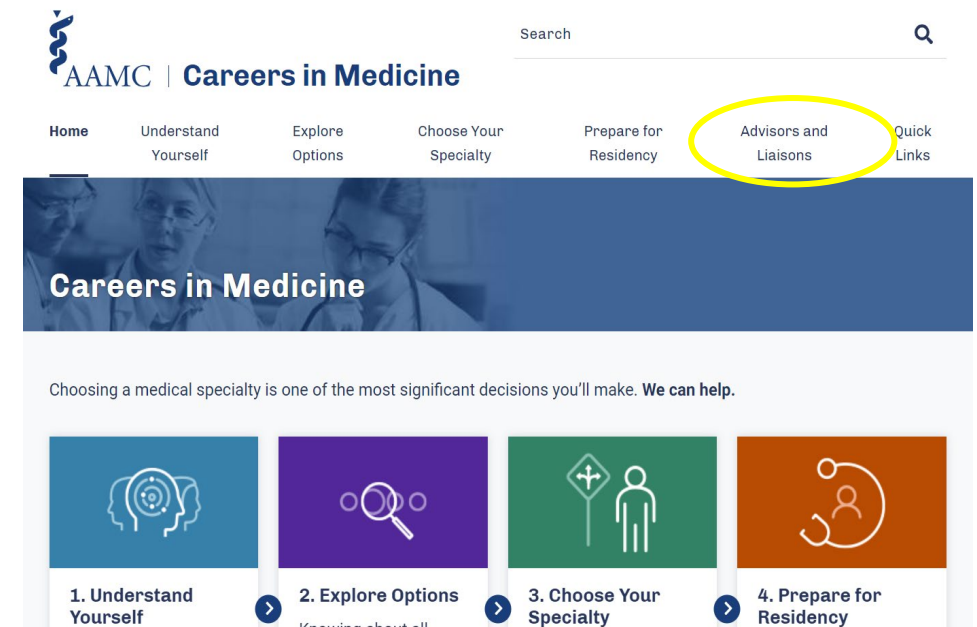
- **Checklist: Unmatched Students***

- <https://careersinmedicine.aamc.org/media/2381/download>

- **FIRST fact Sheet: If you Don't Match: Steps to Manage Student Loans**

- <https://students-residents.aamc.org/understanding-application-process/if-you-don-t-match-steps-manage-student-loans>

- *Sign-in required



Resources

- Calendar in detail: <https://www.nrmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2022/08/2023-Match-Week-and-SOAP®-Schedule-FINAL-Printable.pdf>
- Support guides
 - For Applicants: https://www.nrmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/2023-NRMP-ERAS-SOAP®-Programs-Guide_FINAL.pdf
 - View & Respond to Offers: https://www.nrmp.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/SOAP®_View_Respond_to_Offers_MRM-App.pdf
- from AAMC GSA resources - <https://www.aamc.org/professional-development/affinity-groups/gsa/resources/student-affairs>

SOAP® STRATEGIES

Strategies

Use all 45 applications at the beginning

Complete by Tuesday morning

Spread chances among programs, specialties, and geography

Focus on completing the application within SOAP® before reviewing what occurred

Integrate specialty advisor or faculty mentors

Addenda to personal statements may help

Strategies

Next best option depends on applicant characteristics and desires

Generally best for an applicant to consider a pathway to full practice

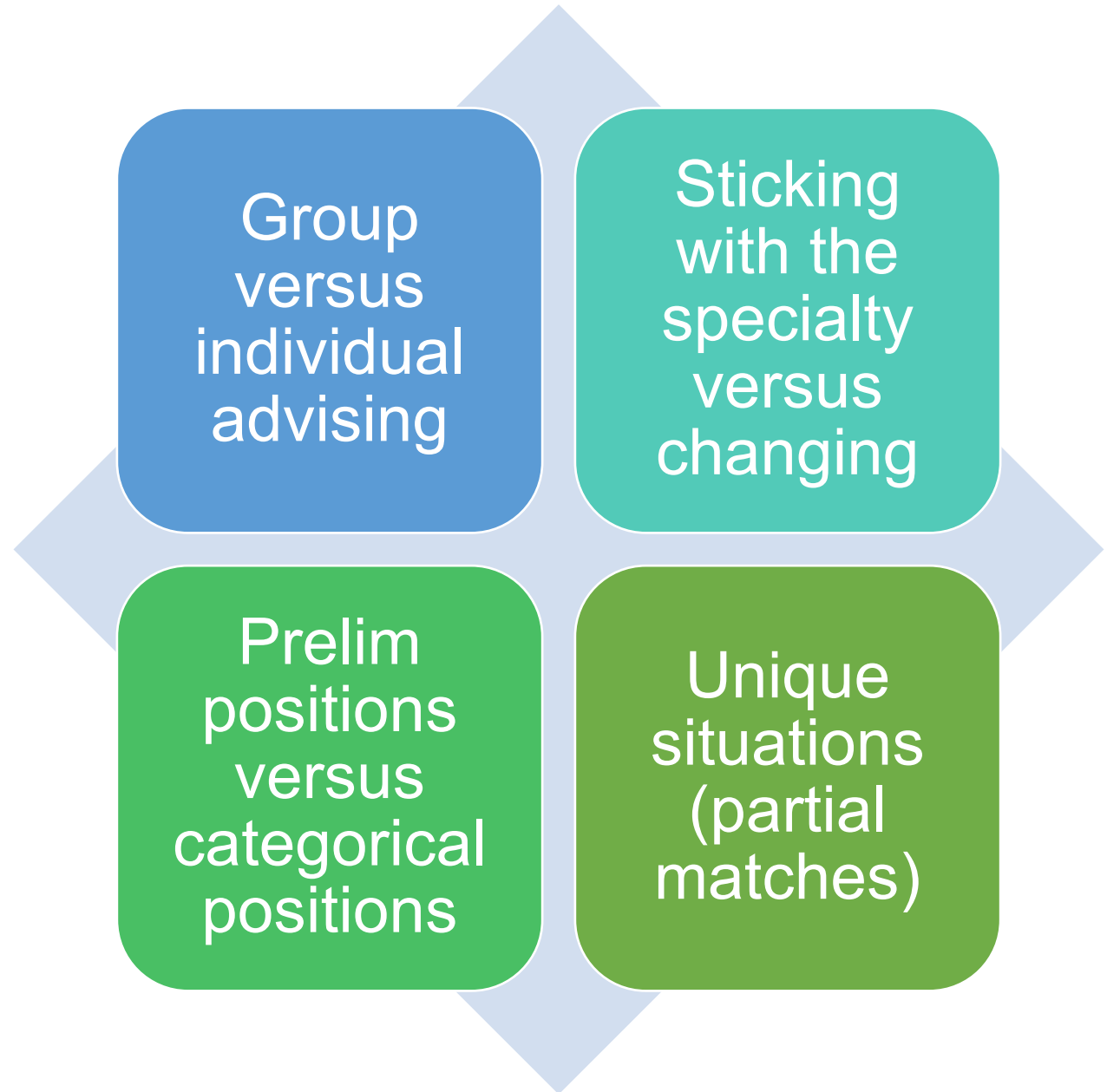
May consider preliminary years

Geography does help due to familiarity

Remember programs initiate contact first

Prepare students for a full day of rapid fire interviews

Dilemmas



Partners

Faculty advisors

Specialty advisors

Student counseling center

Peers

Family