Canadian Forensic Psychiatry Residency Application and Matching Process

The Forensic Psychiatry Residency Programs across the country will hold a Match. The process and timelines for the Match for Forensic Psychiatry Residency positions for the academic year starting July 1st, 2023 is as follows:

Please apply to the programs that you wish to attend and complete their interview and selection processes.

It is expected that the match results will be respected by both applicants and programs. Please do not rank a program if you have no intention to train there. The match process is a collegial approach that impacts all candidates and programs, and the second iteration will not include candidates that were matched during the first iteration.

1. **September 1, 2022**: Application Deadline for all Forensic Psychiatry Subspecialty Programs

2. **October 20, 2022**: Notify programs if you are withdrawing from the Canadian Match.

3. **October 24, 2022 at 6pm EST**: deadline for each applicant to e-mail their ranking for each program where they interviewed. Candidates are to email their rankings to the Chair of the RCPSC Forensic Psychiatry Specialty Committee, Dr. Joel Watts, jc.watts.mpc@gmail.com. Dr. Watts will oversee the matching process that is conducted by two independent parties.

   Please title the e-mail “Forensic Psychiatry Match 2022 Rankings”.

   Your email should include the following:
   - Your name
   - Your current residency program
   - Your rank list from top to bottom:
     - 1st Choice
     - 2nd Choice
     - Etc...

   * Please note there is no limit to the number of programs you can rank.

4. **October 24, 2022 at 6pm EST**: deadline for each Program Director to email to Dr. Joel Watts at jc.watts.mpc@gmail.com.
   - The number of funded positions for FRCS(C) Canadian candidates.
   - List of applicant(s) with their rankings. Also contact information for each candidate.
Residents will be assigned positions based on their preferred rankings and the availability of positions at the universities they applied.

5. **October 28, 2022**: Letter of offer of admission to be sent to candidates by each Program. You will be contacted directly by the Program indicating whether you have been successful in your match requests. You will also be notified if you have not been successful in your match requests and where there may be openings available.

6. **October 31, 2022 at 12 noon EST**: Deadline for candidates to accept or decline the offer of admission.

Please don’t hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Thank you in advance for respecting the various timelines.

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