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## Updates on Pain Medicine 2022


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## Pain Medicine Programs-2022-23

- Total for 2022 programs: 110, 1 withdrawn programs
- Participating (certified) in match: 109, 99% participation
- Filled: 98 (89.9%), Unfilled: 10 (10.1%)






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## Pain Medicine Positions-2022-23

- Total for 2022 positions: 378 positions
- Filled: 362 (95.8%), unfilled 16 (4.2%)

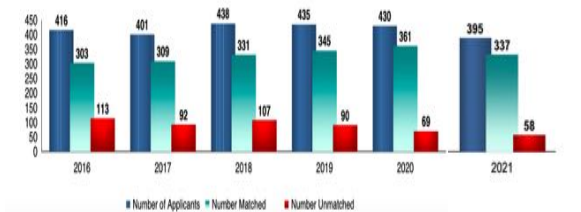




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## Applicants

- Applicants for 2022 : 428
- Matched: 362 (84.5%)
- Not matched: 66 (15.4%)

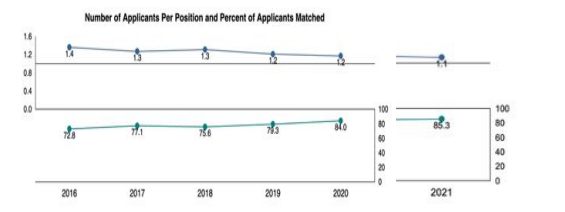




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## Positions and applicants

- Stable from 2018:  
 – 1.13 applicants per position





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## The applicants

Year	Program	Positions	Filled	% not matched	%US Grad	% FMG	Osteopaths	US International
2014	82	261	256	36	73	8	9	10
2015	84	286	286	27	69	9	14	7
2016	90	305	303	37	71	10	14	5
2017	93	316	309	23	70	9	15	6
2018	98	335	331	24	61	8	14	7
2019	103	359	345	21	65	11	16	8
2020	104	367	361	15	69	4	17	10
2021	102	349	337	15	64	5	19	11
2022	109	372	362	15	64	6	21	8


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## Activities in last year

- Trimestrial meetings for the APPD board and monthly for AASPD board
- Emails to programs from APPD to discourage out of match activities
- Bi-annual virtual meeting with all PD to keep all engaged and bring problems to discuss
- Web based educational endeavors for fellows and residents: hot topics, AAPM, NANS, INS webinars
- Virtual interviews continue
- Residents activities: in person and virtual meet and greet with PD, engage medical students
- Slowly open up for in person meetings

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## To start a possible reversed process



- Social distance, masks and virtual meetings

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## To a masked new reality




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## What continues

- Encourage programs to keep in match
- Virtual interview for foreseeable future
- Ensure competence upon graduation: PD review case log
- Supportive and networking for job finding
- Expand fellowship education on telemedicine.

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## ACGME vs NRMP

- ACGME: 111 programs
- NRMP: 109 programs,
- % programs in match: 98%

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## Pain Medicine Fellowship-2019 Program Requirements

- Multidisciplinary fellowship
- Base specialties
  - Anesthesiology
  - Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation
  - Neurology
  - Psychiatry
- Other specialties can apply: ED, pediatrics, radiology, etc
- 1 Fellowship Program per institution no longer required

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## CONCLUSIONS

- Consistent, high competitive fellowship 15% applicants not matching
  - Steady state of the match, now the 9<sup>th</sup> year.
  - Advantages/Disadvantages
  - Applicants:
    - Apply/interview widely,
    - Fear of no match
    - Virtual interviews
    - Extracurricular activities to serve the application best possible
  - Program directors
    - Many applications/Time consuming
    - No objective data
    - Short Time of the interview
    - Virtual at times difficult
  - Programs
    - Potential more
    - Quality of Education
    - Institutional resources
    - Few programs created since new req
- Building a community of pain PD with similar aspirations for their incoming trainees

THANK YOU FOR LISTENING!

