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Florida State University College of Medicine announces Match Day results

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Dr. John P. Fogarty, dean of the College of Medicine, and Dr. Alma Littles, senior associate dean for Medical Education and Academic Affairs, watch the college's Match Day Ceremony online. Due to concerns about the global COVID-19 pandemic, the medical school replaced its annual on-campus ceremony with a virtual event. Photo by: Bruce Palmer / FSU Photography Services

Graduating students in the Florida State University College of Medicine Class of 2020 were notified where they will enter residency training this summer. The traditional Match Day Ceremony just took place a little bit differently this year.

Due to concerns about the global COVID-19 pandemic, the medical school replaced its annual on-campus ceremony with a virtual event in which most students received their news at home.

"Our students continue to match with wonderful programs in Florida and throughout the country," said College of Medicine Dean John P. Fogarty. "While we were not able to celebrate this outstanding news as one big family the way we traditionally do, we are very proud of what our students have accomplished and believe they are well prepared to enter a new and challenging medical landscape."

Of the 114 graduating students who registered in the matching program, 67 (59 percent) matched in a primary care specialty, including internal medicine, family medicine, pediatrics and obstetrics-gynecology.

Other students matched today in anesthesiology, dermatology, emergency medicine, ophthalmology, orthopedic surgery, pathology, psychiatry, diagnostic radiology, general surgery, urology and vascular surgery.

Two students matched in Tallahassee, and five matched with residency programs sponsored by the College of Medicine.

Forty-four students matched in Florida, a state that ranks 42nd nationally in the number of available residency slots.

The residency match, conducted annually by the National Resident Matching Program, is the primary system that matches applicants to residency programs with available positions at U.S. teaching hospitals. Graduating medical students across the country receive their match information at the same time on the same day.