

NRMP UPDATE

***APDS/ARCS Annual
Meeting
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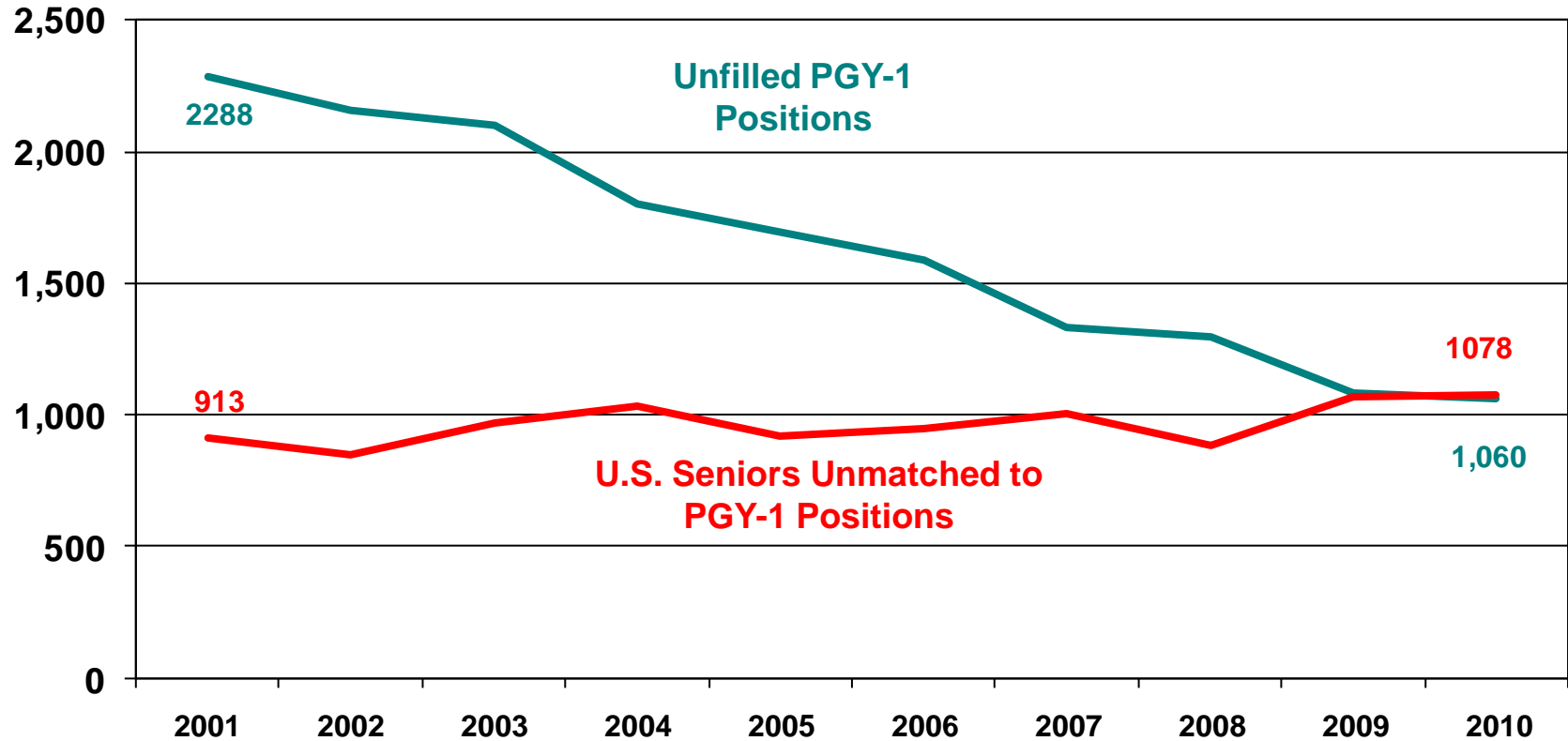


Today's Topics

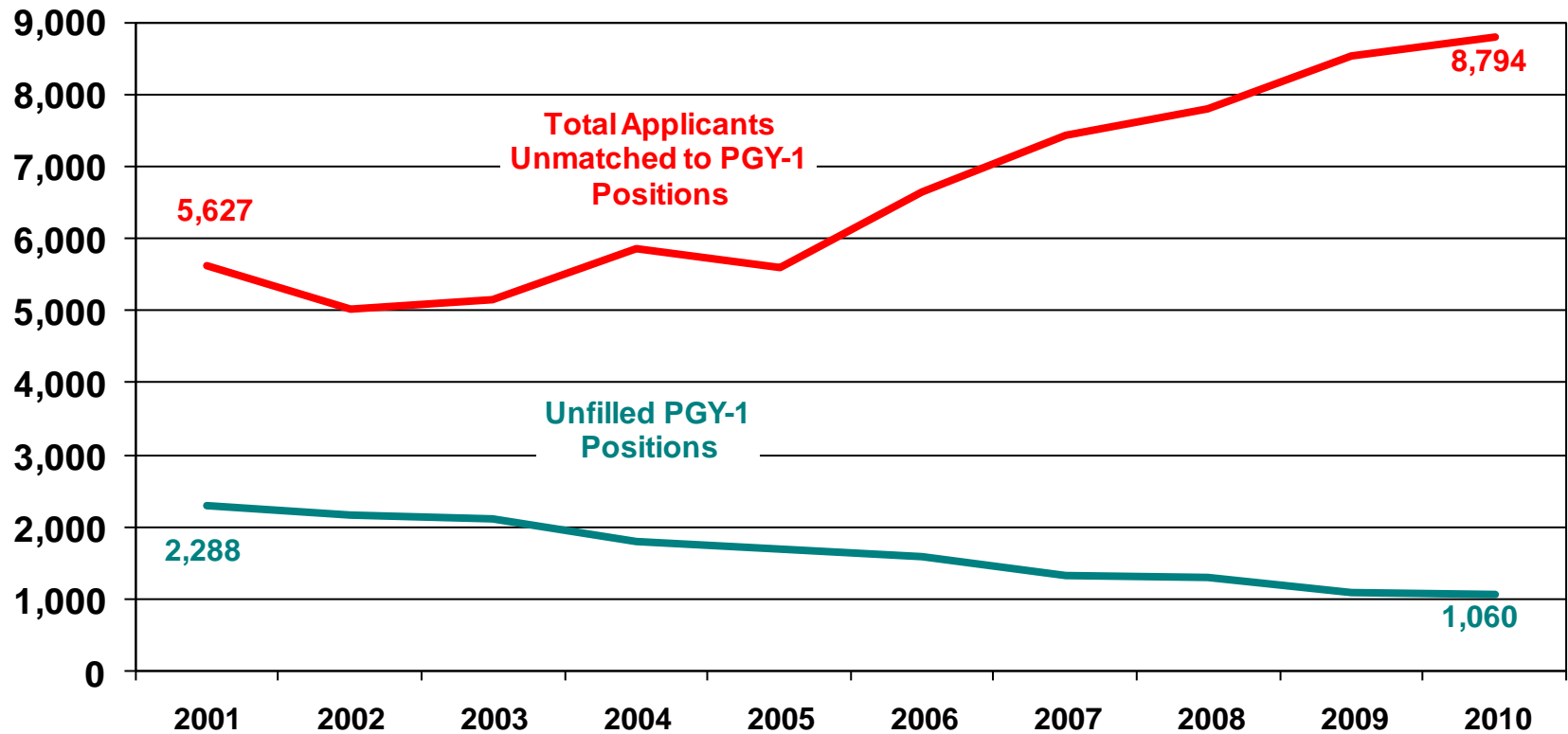
- **Happenings at the NRMP**
 - **Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program**
 - **Positions Outside the Match**

Consider the evolution of unmatched applicants and unfilled positions...

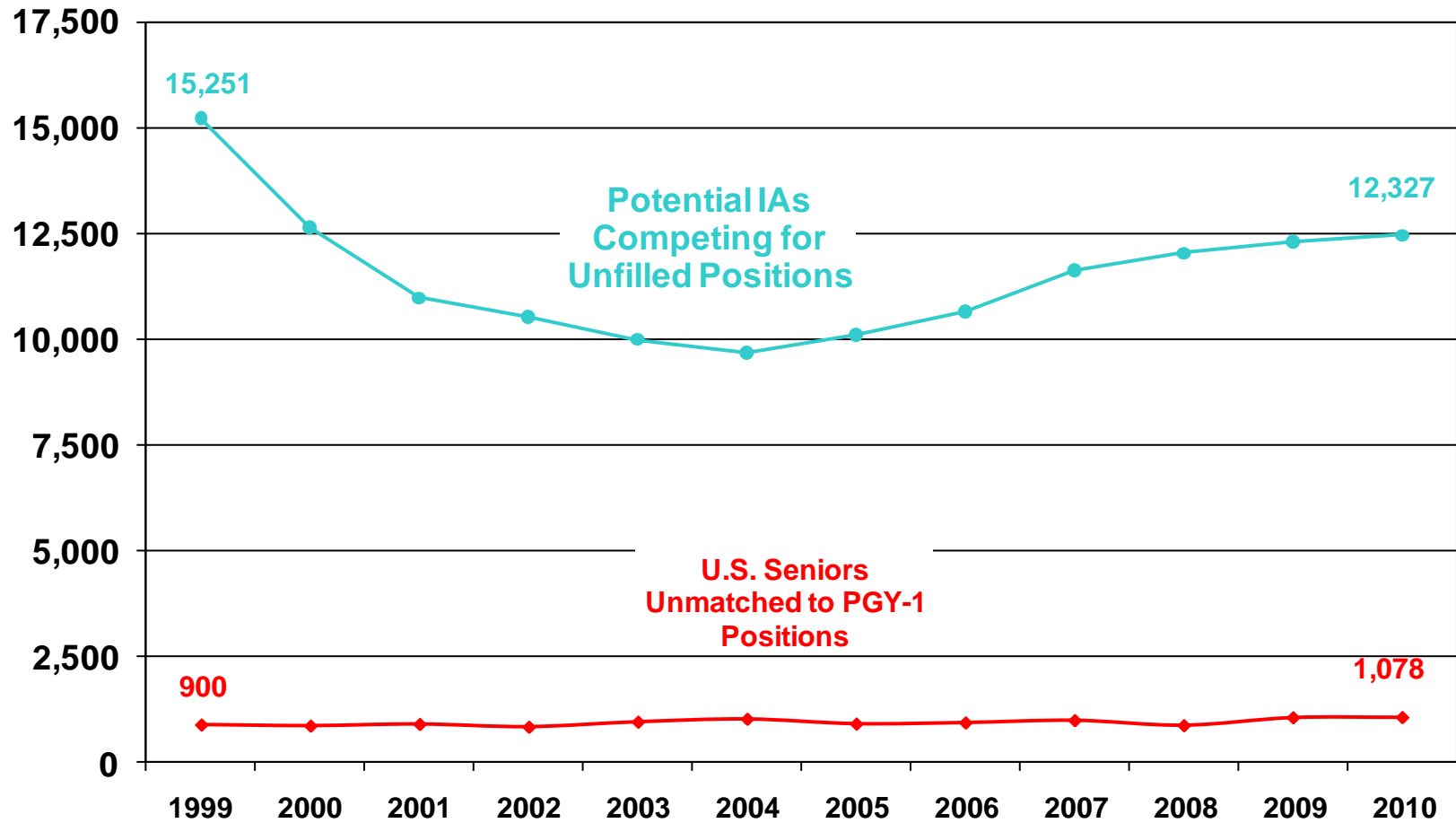
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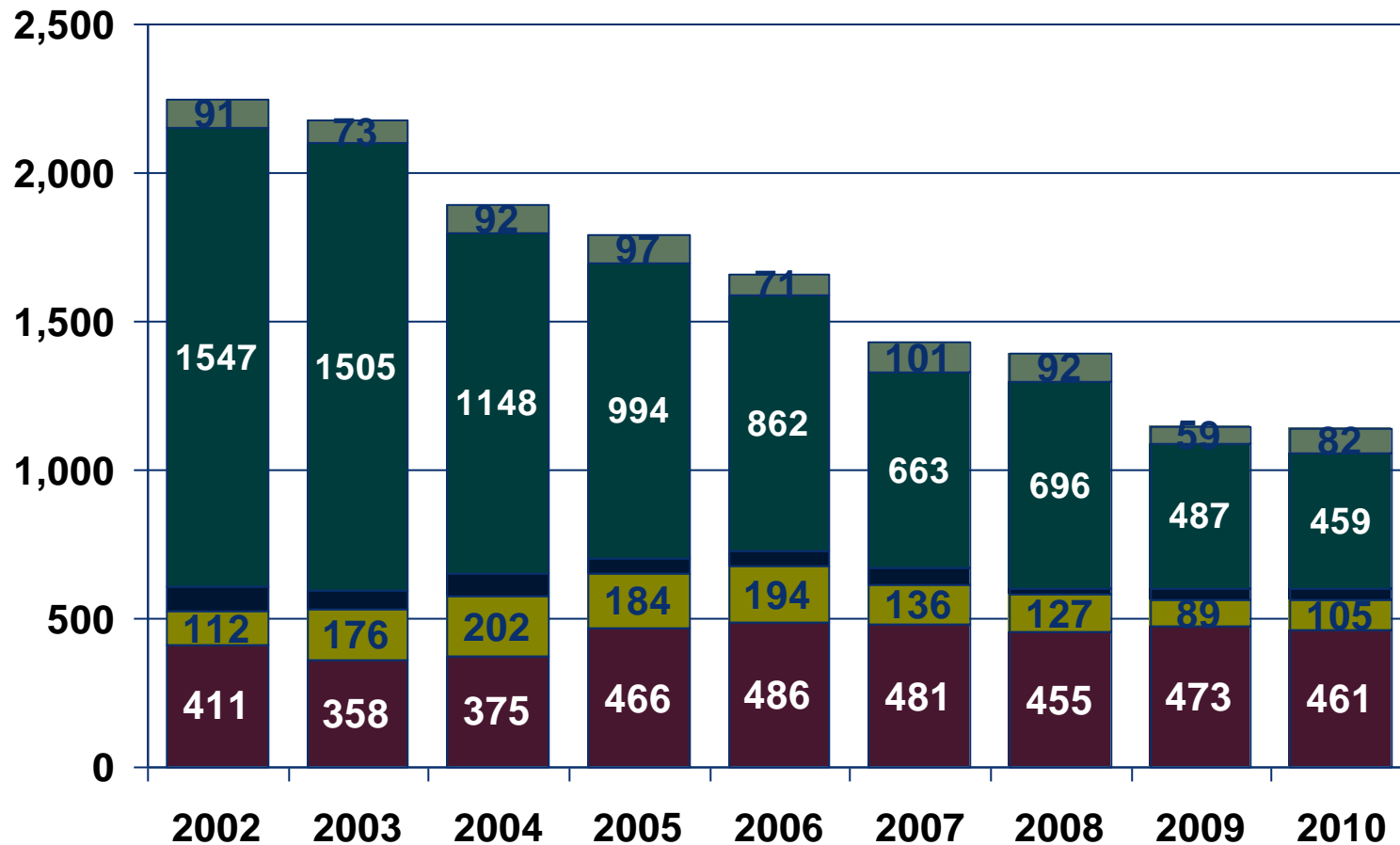
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Applicant Trends 2001-2010

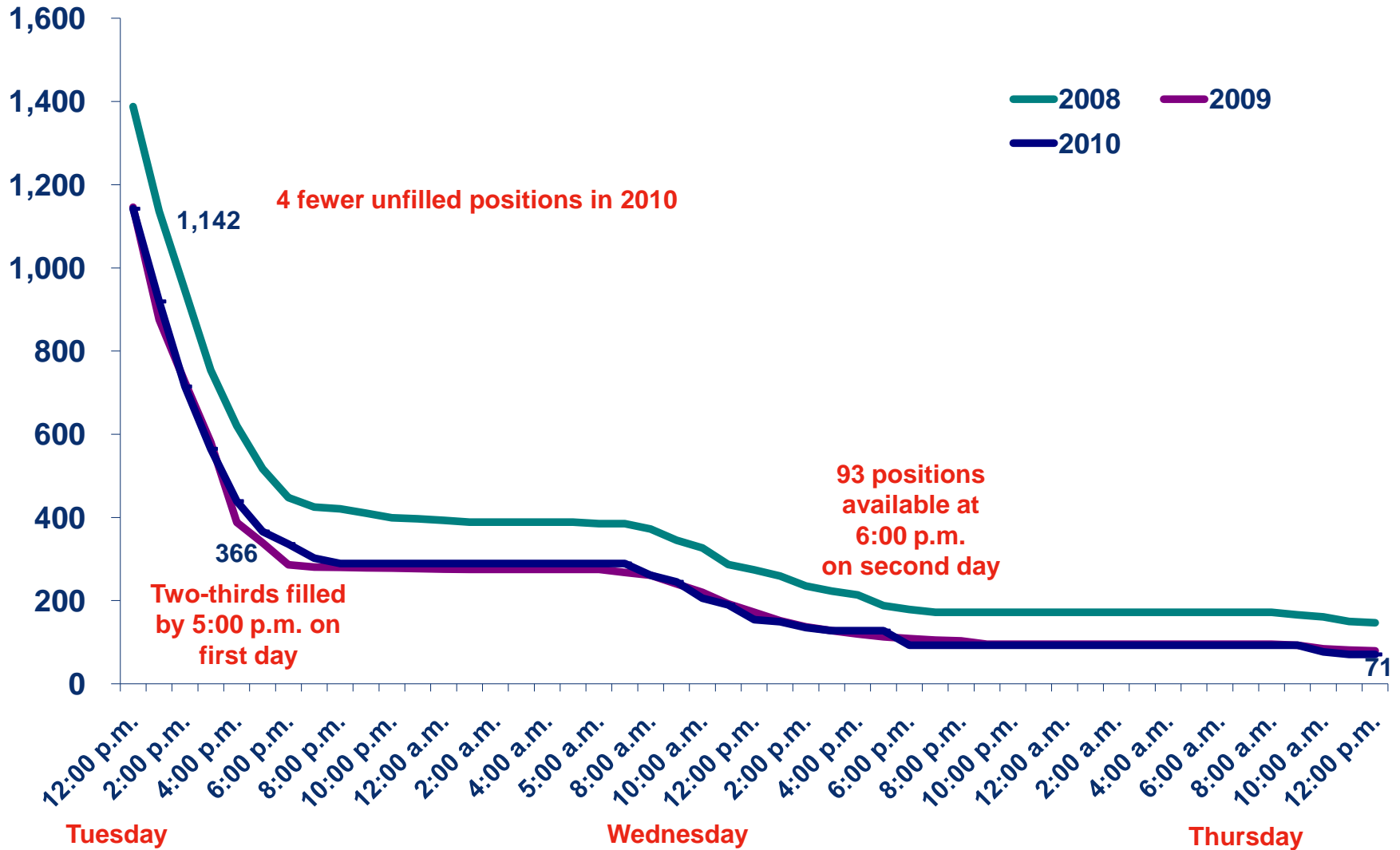


Unfilled Positions 2002-2010



Surg-Prelim
 Med-Prelim
 Transitional
 Categorical
 Advanced

Unfilled Positions: First Two Days



SUPPLEMENTAL OFFER AND ACCEPTANCE PROGRAM (SOAP)



Supplemental Offer and Acceptance Program (SOAP)

- SOAP is **NOT** a second match.
- Applicants express their preferences by applying to programs via ERAS.
- Programs express their preferences by creating lists of applicants who have applied to their programs.
- The NRMP R3 System will offer positions to applicants in order of a program's preference.
- Applicants can receive multiple offers in any offer round.
- Positions offered and accepted during SOAP establish a **binding commitment** enforced by the NRMP Match Participation Agreement.

Applicant Eligibility for SOAP

Applicants must be able to enter GME on July 1

Applicant eligibility determined by:

- U.S. Seniors: Medical School
- Prior-Year Graduates: Medical School
- Osteopathic: Medical School
- Canadian: Medical School
- IMGs: ECFMG

Recertification request sent to deans & ECFMG Monday before Match Week (R3 System)

Recertification deadline Thursday before Match Week

All applicants notified of eligibility Friday before Match Week

Applicant Participation in SOAP

Eligible NRMP applicants:

- Can apply only to Match-participating programs
 - ✓ Access to unfilled positions restricted by match status
 - ✓ Must use ERAS to apply to programs
 - ✓ Can select only unfilled Match-participating programs in ERAS
 - ✓ Cannot use phone, fax, email, or other services
 - ✓ Cannot have another individual/entity contact programs
 - ✓ Cannot contact programs until program makes first contact
 - ✓ Can accept positions only through SOAP during Match Week

- Can apply to non-Match participating programs after Match Week

Applicant Participation-cont'd

Ineligible NRMP applicants:

- Cannot participate in SOAP
 - ✓ Cannot apply to any Match-participating programs using ERAS, phone, fax, email, personal contacts, or other services

- Can apply to non-Match participating programs during Match Week
 - ✓ Can use ERAS to select non-Match-participating programs
 - ✓ Can use phone, fax, email, or other methods

- Can apply to Match-participating programs after Match Week

Program Participation in SOAP

Unfilled NRMP Programs:

- Must accept applications only via ERAS
 - ✓ Cannot use phone, fax, email, or personal contacts until after an application has been received

- During Match Week
 - ✓ Cannot make offers outside SOAP
 - ✓ Cannot offer positions to ineligible applicants
 - ✓ Can opt out of SOAP, but will be unable to fill positions during Match Week

- Can add applicants to their preference lists during SOAP

SOAP Participation Example

Harry Potter went unmatched in the 2012 Main Residency Match. After reviewing the NRMP List of Unfilled Programs as part of SOAP, he learned of one unfilled position in General Surgery at National Medical Center. Mr. Potter requested that Dean Dumbledore, a graduate of the Surgery program at National Medical Center, place a call on his behalf to the program director to see if the program would be interested in reviewing his ERAS application.

Can Mr. Potter and Dean Dumbledore place a call to the Surgery program at National Medical Center?

SOAP Participation Example

During the 2012 Main Residency Match, the General Surgery program at Utopia University School of Medicine went unfilled for two positions. The program elected not to participate in the SOAP and later learned that one of its senior students, Hermione Granger, was interested in the program. Miss Granger was participating in SOAP, and the program wanted to contact her and invite her to apply to the program.

Can the Surgery program contact Miss Granger and invite her to apply for an unfilled position?

Schedule for Program Offers

Tuesday	11:30 a.m.	Programs begin entering preference lists
Wednesday	11:30 a.m.	Programs finalize preference lists
	12:00 p.m.	First offers sent to applicants
	2:00 p.m.	First offers expire
	2:30 p.m.	Deadline for programs to update lists
	2:55 p.m.	ERAS updated with filled program info
	3:00 p.m.	Second offer round
	5:00 p.m.	Second offers expire
Thursday	9:00 a.m.	Third, fourth, and fifth offer rounds Offers every 3 hours using same schedule
Friday	9:00 a.m.	Sixth offer round
	12:00 p.m.	Seventh offer round
	3:00 p.m.	Eighth offer round
	5:00 p.m.	Last offers expire

Current Match Week Schedule

Monday	11:30 a.m.	School Unmatched Seniors Report
	12:00 p.m.	Applicant “Did I Match?”
	12:00 p.m.	Regional Match Statistics
Tuesday	11:30 a.m.	Program “Did I Fill?”
	11:30 a.m.	Unfilled positions pdf for schools
	12:00 p.m.	Unfilled positions on Web
Wednesday	8:00 a.m.	School match notification letters
		School match results
		Applicant choices by specialty
	2:00 p.m.	Program Roster of Matched Applicants
Thursday	12:00 p.m.	<i>Match Day Ceremonies</i>
	1:00 p.m.	Applicant “Where Did I Match?”
Monday	12:00 p.m.	Match Results by Ranked Applicant Match Outcome for All Programs

New Match Week Schedule

Monday	11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	School Unmatched Seniors Report Applicant “Did I Match?” Program “Did I Fill?” Unfilled positions on Web Applicants apply to programs via ERAS
Tuesday		Applicant/program communication
Wednesday	11:30 a.m. 12:00 p.m.	Programs finalize preference lists Program offers begin: valid for 2 hours
Thursday	8:00 a.m. 2:00 p.m.	School match notification letters School match results Applicant choices by specialty Program Roster of Matched Applicants
Friday	12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m.	<i>Match Day Ceremonies</i> Applicant “Where Did I Match?” Last offers expire
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Positions Outside the Match



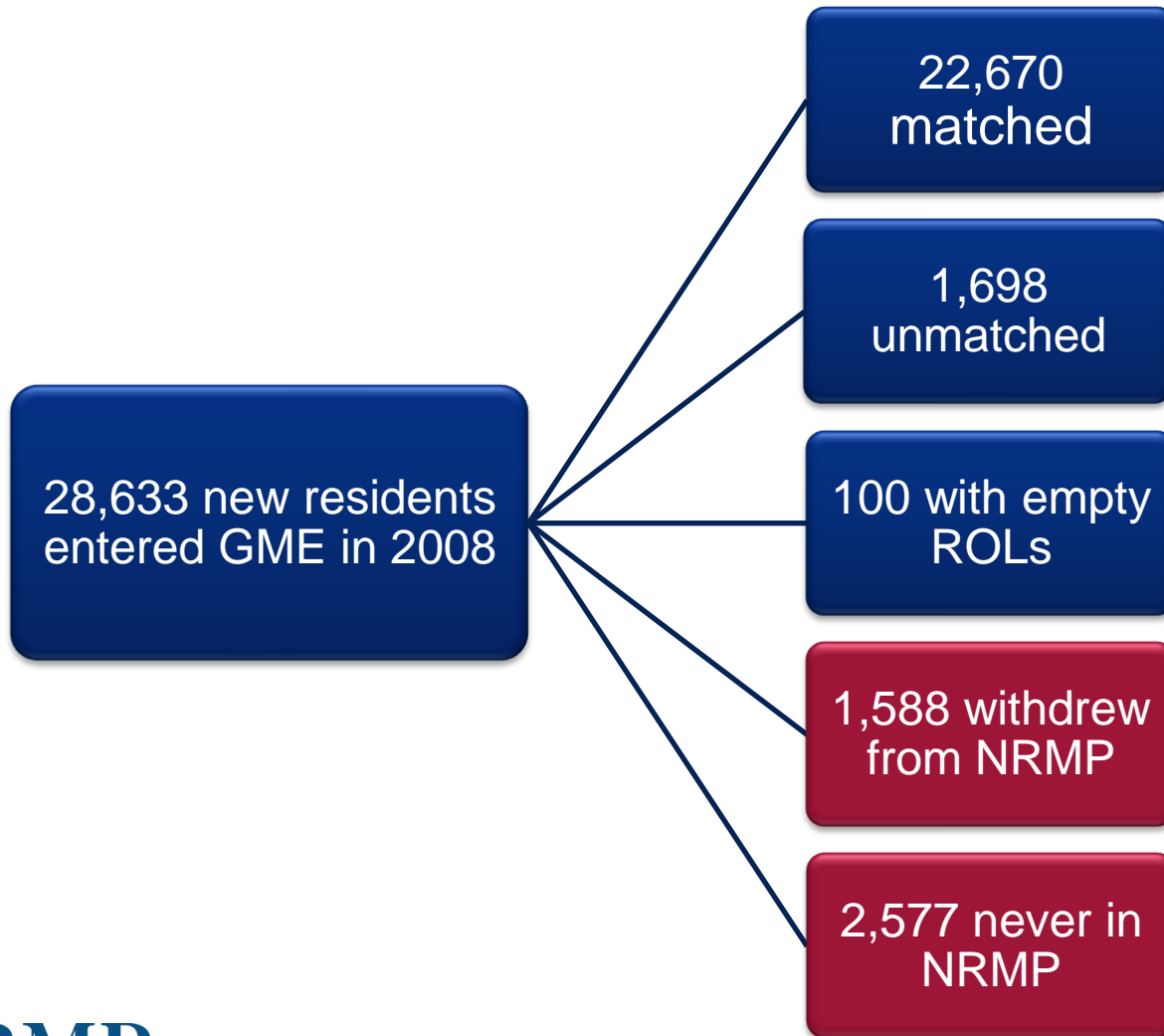
Positions Outside the Match Methodology

- ***Combined data from NRMP DW and GMETrack for residents entering GME in 2008***

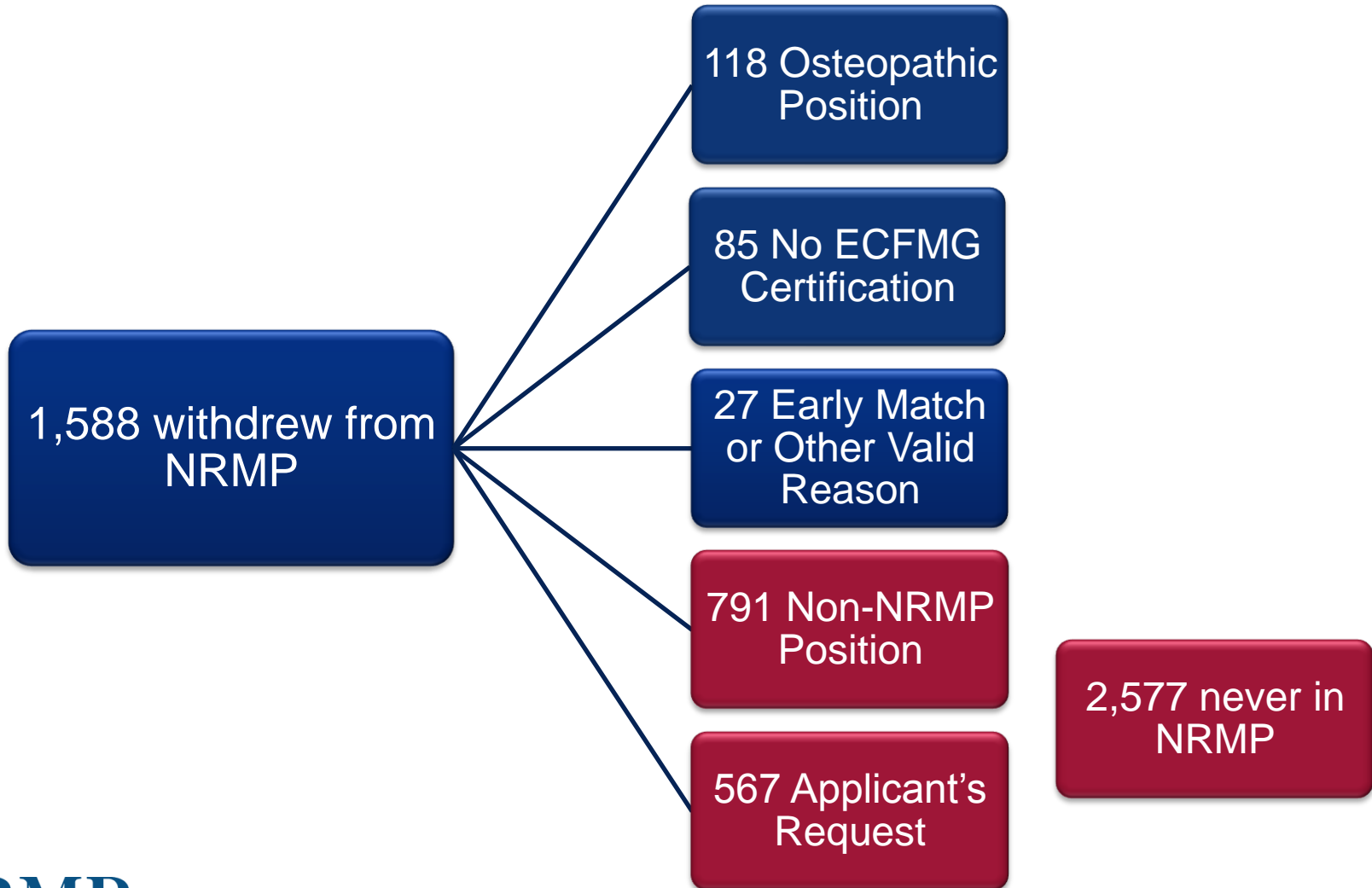
- ***Cohort included 28,633 persons:***
 - ✓ ***24,474 in 1st residency in 2008 in an NRMP specialty***
 - ✓ ***4,159 in a new residency after 1 year in a different program***

- ***“Outside the Match” defined as:***
 - ✓ ***Not registered for the Match***
 - ✓ ***No certified ROL***
 - ✓ ***Withdrawn for “Non-NRMP Position”***
 - ✓ ***Withdrawn for “Applicant’s Request”***

Positions Outside the Match Residents Entering GME in 2008



Positions Outside the Match Withdrawn Applicants



Positions Outside the Match

Key Findings

More than one-third of GME programs in NRMP specialties filled at least 1 position outside the Match.

One of every 7 residents found positions outside the Match.

Specialties in which at least 40% of programs took applicants outside the Match: AN, FM, IM, NM, PTH, PD, PSY.

Positions Outside the Match

Next Steps

- NRMP Board established an ad-hoc committee to study the feasibility of requiring institutions participating in the Main Residency Match to fill all positions through the Main Residency Match or another national matching plan.*
- *Promote awareness of the proposed policy over the next year through discussion at conferences and invitations for comment.*
 - *Survey program directors as part of the 2011 Main Residency Match.*

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