



## Advice for the 2025-2026 Ophthalmology Residency Match Season

## **Webinar Handout**

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## Resources

<u>AUPO</u> - The Association of University Professors of Ophthalmology (AUPO) was founded as an organization dedicated to research and education. Through its <u>mission</u>, AUPO is the voice of academic ophthalmology.

- Medical Students Resource Page
  - o Ophthalmology Match Timeline for 2025-2026
  - o Ophthalmology Residency Match FAQs 2025-2026
  - o Coordinating Interview Release Process FAQs 2025-2026
    - SF Match Interview Scheduler Demo (video)
  - Applicant Preference Signaling FAQs 2025-2026
  - o <u>Tips for a Successful Virtual Residency Interview</u>
  - Strategies for Away Elective and Timing (video)
  - o Identifying Mentors for LORs / What's a Good Letter? (video)

AAO – The American Academy of Ophthalmology's mission is to protect sight and empower lives by serving as an advocate for patients and the public, leading ophthalmic education, and advancing the profession of ophthalmology.

- Medical Students Resource Page
- Vision Mentoring Program
- Academy Clinical Webinars webpage

<u>SF Match</u> - For over 40 years the SF Match has provided residency and fellowship matching services to specialties and subspecialties across the spectrum of medicine. <u>Medical Students Resource Page</u>

Rabb-Venable Excellence in Ophthalmology Program - provides travel grants to attend the Ophthalmology Section meeting at the National Medical Association Annual Assembly. The Pathway to Success program offers guidance for applying to ophthalmology residency programs, information about research opportunities, and mentorship to participants.

<u>Texas Star</u> - Texas STAR, the first of its kind, is a nationwide survey and online tool administered by the UT Southwestern Medical School to help medical school deans, advisers, and fourth-year medical students navigate the match process more effectively.

<u>AAMC Visiting Scholars Resources Database</u> - The VSLO° program highlights unique academic, professional, and financial resources for students in an easily accessible, centralized location.