

## Factors that Influence Medical Students Decision Making when Selecting an Emergency Medicine Residency

Please complete all of the following questions....

- Question #1: *Please check all that apply to you....*
  - Male
  - Female
  - Under-represented minority
  - Married/Engaged/Serious Relationship
  
- Question #2: *In which region of the United States do you attend medical school (Please see attached regional map)*
  1. Northeast
  2. South
  3. Midwest
  4. West
  
- Question #3: *The address you currently live at is?*
  1. Urban
  2. Suburban
  3. Rural
  
- Question #4: *Your background/up-bringing is in which of the following areas?*
  1. Urban
  2. Suburban
  3. Rural
  4. Was not one primary
  
- Question #5: *Please pick the **top three factors** regarding **location** that played into your decision of where to rank programs? (Please list the most important first, next most important second, etc) You may use the drop down menu for suggestions or free text your answer. If the answer is none, place none in the blank.*

### LOCATION PRIORITIES IN DROPDOWN MENU

- To be close to spouse, significant other or family.
  - Cost of living
  - Preference for particular geographical location
  - Preference for a particular sized community
  - Community supportive of my values (ethnicity, political orientation, ect)
  - Community supportive of my life style (e.g dating, children, recreational activities)
  - Desired location to live/work after residency
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- Question #6: *Please pick the **top three program characteristics** that influenced your decision in where to rank programs? (Please list the most important 1<sup>st</sup>, next most important second, etc).*

## PROGRAM CHARACTERISTICS IN DROPDOWN MENU

- Diversity within program (residents & faculty)
- Orientation (academic vs. community)
- Number of training sites
- Available opportunities in subspecialty of EM (International, Trauma, EMS, etc)
- Length of program (3 vs. 4 years)
- Compensation/benefits
- Personal experience with residents
- Personal experience with faculty
- Interview experience
- Rotation in that ED
- Second visit/shadowing/stopping by program
- Reputation of program
- The amount of faculty supervision/mentoring
- Size of program
- Interaction with electronic media (Website, Facebook page, etc)

➤ Question #7: *Which choice describes the relative importance of location versus program characteristics in your decision of where to rank programs?*

1. Completely based on individual program characteristics
2. Primarily based on program characteristics but location played a role
3. Equal balance of program characteristics and location
4. Primarily based on location but program characteristics played a role
5. Completely based on location