

Post Match Reporting
2022-2024 Match Cohort Data

Specialty: Pediatrics
Number of Survey Respondents = 18
2022(44%), 2023(33%), 2024(22%)

Match year	Match cohort	% total cohort
2022	11	7.5%
2023	8	4.4%
2024	7	4.3%

	Mean	St Dev
Step 2	242.33	16.59

Which career resources did you use to make your career decisions?

Confidential/Specialty Advisors	16
Near Peers	14
Bridges Coaches	13
Participation in in-house and extramural electives	5
Specialty interest group-sponsored panels and presentations	5
Co-Directors of Career Advising Program, Drs. Brent Kobashi and Heather Whelan	5
UCSF Post Match Reports	5
Reddit	4
Doximity	3
Texas Star Dashboard	3
Career Advising Website	2
School-sponsored career planning workshops and courses	2
Office of Career and Professional Development	2
Other publications and web-based resources	1

Other: Please describe

Personal reflection and feedback from senior residents/faculty during my 3rd year core electives was important in my decision making

Did you review the list of programs to which you applied with a Specialty Advisor?

Yes 12
 No 6

Before ranking programs, did you review your rank list with a Specialty Advisor?

Yes 8
 No 10

If not a Specialty Advisor, whom did you review your rank list with?

Faculty	2
Family	10
No one	1
Partner/Spouse	9
Residents/Fellows	1

Other: Please describe

I was in EPAC
Peers
Friends

Were you advised to do an away rotation by a specialty advisor?

Yes	0
No	18

**Who was your most effective career advisor for your specialty?
(number of multiple mentions)**

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Dr. Michele Long	6
Dr. Sara Buckelew	1
Patrick Newman	2
Michele Long	2
Audrey Foster-Barber	1
Specialty Advisors	1

If you were to do anything differently in the residency application process, what would that be?

Fewer applications/interviews

The process were very thoughtfully designed, and I felt fully supported throughout the process.

Pay less attention to small details about programs that aren't part of my core values for a training program. Writing them down didn't matter in the end when I made my rankings.

N/a. I was in EPAC

Nothing!

I would reach out to more residents from programs I interviewed with for insider perspective

Try to arrange to travel to experience the city of the programs I am interested in earlier in the cycle

Prepare more in advance. Talk to more older students about what the step by step process is.

be more at peace!

Please provide any other information that might be helpful to UCSF students who will apply to your specialty choice in the future

UCSF alums at residency programs of interest are wonderful resources!

Rank programs as you interview, because your gut decisions won't change too much as time goes on and you may forget how you initially felt.

Connect with Michele Long and Patrick Newman - the core peds advisors. They gave excellent support in thinking through my application and earlier in deciding which Sub-Is to complete / who to ask to be letter writers. They are incredibly generous with their time and so helpful!

Pediatrics is an amazing field to go into, with an abundance of compassionate and supportive people who are willing to support you. The UCSF advisors, Michele and Patrick, are phenomenal and contribute immensely to how relatively stress-free and streamlined I found the application cycle to be. I think the most difficult part of the cycle for me was narrowing down the programs at the top of my rank list, as I generally felt they would all be great fits and would support me well. Would highly recommend using near-peer resources (recently graduated UCSF students or others that you can personally get connected with through friends), as they can provide really candid and honest reflections on programs. It is also helpful to talk through what was important for others as it helped me better reflect on what is most important for me in a program.

interview at less programs

I interviewed at a lot of programs (18), which felt like too many for pediatrics, but I'm glad that I interviewed at so many programs, because I ended up ranking as number one and matching at a program that I would have dropped if I had more strictly limited the number of programs I was interviewing at.