

**Advocate Christ Medical Center/Advocate Children's Hospital—Oak Lawn**

**Residency in Family Medicine and Osteopathic Family Practice and Manipulative Treatment**

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**Selection & Eligibility Policy**

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Our Selection and Eligibility Policy establishes fair and consistent guidelines for selecting applicants admitted to Advocate Christ Family Medicine Program.

**A. Resident Selection**

Applicants are selected to interview based on the following program-related criteria such as their preparedness, ability, aptitude, academic credentials, communication skills and personal qualities such as motivation and integrity.

1. We do not discriminate with regard to race, age, religion, color, national origin, disability, or any other legally protected status.
2. We participate in both the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP) as well as the Nat Match (AOA).
3. Although process of screening and interviewing applicants may be shared with members of the faculty, the final responsibility for resident selection rests with the Program Director.

**B. Resident Eligibility**

Applicants with one of the following qualifications are eligible for appointment to the programs:

1. Graduates of medical schools:
  - a. in the U.S. and Canada accredited by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education (LCME),
  - b. in the U.S. and Canada accredited by the American Osteopathic Association (AOA).
  - c. outside the U.S. and Canada who meet one of the following qualifications:
    - i. Have received a currently valid certificate from the Educational Commission for Foreign Medical Graduates prior to appointment, or
    - ii. Have a full and unrestricted license to practice medicine in a U. S. licensing jurisdiction in which they are training.
    - iii. Have completed a Fifth Pathway program provided by an LCME-accredited medical school.
2. All applicants must have in their application:
  - a. An M.D. or D.O. which has been awarded within the past three years
  - b. Three positive letters of reference
  - c. A satisfactory Dean's Letter and Medical School transcript in application with little to no deficiencies
  - d. A personal statement which indicates a reason why they want to be in Family Medicine
  - e. Acceptable USMLE/COMLEX board scores. Repeated attempts are viewed unfavorably.
    1. All International graduates must meet the above criteria and may be considered if the applicant:
      - a. Is a U.S. citizen or permanent resident (We do not sponsor visas)
      - b. Has six months of U.S. clinical experience