Orthopaedic Surgery Candidate Expectations and Perceptions of Virtual Interviews

Start of Block: Participation in Virtual Interviews

Q1 Did you participate in any virtual interviews during the 2020-2021 orthopaedic surgery residency application cycle?

- Yes
- No

Skip To: End of Survey If Did you participate in any virtual interviews during the 2020-2021 orthopaedic surgery residency application cycle... = No

End of Block: Participation in Virtual Interviews

Start of Block: Applicant to Program information

Q2 To how many orthopaedic surgery residency programs did you apply?

- 0-25
- 26-50
- 51-75
- 76-100
- 101-125
- 126-150
- 150+

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Q3 How did interviews being held virtually compared to in-person influence the number of programs to which you applied?

- Applied to significantly fewer programs
- Applied to somewhat fewer programs
- Applied to the same number of programs
- Applied to somewhat more programs
- Applied to significantly more programs

Q4 How did the lack of travel during virtual interviews affect the number of programs to which you applied?

- Applied to significantly fewer programs
- Applied to somewhat fewer programs
- Applied to the same number of programs
- Applied to somewhat more programs
- Applied to significantly more programs

Q5 Did you apply to residency specialties other than orthopaedic surgery?

- Yes
- No
Display This Question:
If Did you apply to residency specialties other than orthopaedic surgery? = Yes

Q5a Which response best describes how COVID-19 and virtual interviews influenced your decision to apply to additional residency specialties?

- Virtual interviews/lack of in-person interview most influenced my decision to dual apply
- COVID-19 and lack of rotations influenced my decision to dual apply
- Other factors most influenced my decision to dual apply. Please specify below:

Q6 How many orthopaedic surgery rotations did you complete during this application cycle, including your home program?

- 0
- 1
- 2
- 3
- 4
- 5+
Q7 Please choose the most appropriate response regarding your perceived importance of the following during PREVIOUS application cycles:

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Q8 Please choose the most appropriate response regarding your perceived importance of the following during the CURRENT application cycle:

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Q9 Please choose the most appropriate response regarding your anticipated ability to assess residency programs PRIOR to completing virtual interviews:

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Q11 How well do you feel virtual interviews allowed you to demonstrate your potential candidacy to programs?

- Could not demonstrate
- Poor
- Fair
- Good
- Excellent

Q12 Would you have preferred in-person or virtual interviews?

- Prefer in-person interviews
- No preference between in-person and virtual interviews
- Prefer virtual interviews

Q13 Are you a re-applicant this year?

- Yes
- No

Skip To: Q17 If Are you a re-applicant this year? = No
Skip To: Q14 If Are you a re-applicant this year? = Yes
Q14 Compared to your last residency application cycle, to how many residency programs did you apply this year?
   ○ Applied to fewer programs
   ○ About the same number of programs
   ○ Applied to more programs

Q15 Compared to previous in-person interviews, how did virtual interviews affect your perceived probability to match?
   ○ Feel virtual interviews decreased my probability to match
   ○ Virtual interviews did not affect my perceived probability of matching
   ○ Feel virtual interviews increased my probability to match

Q16 Compared to your last application cycle, what was your estimated monetary cost of the virtual interview cycle?
   ○ Significantly less expensive
   ○ Less expensive
   ○ About the same
   ○ More expensive
   ○ Significantly more expensive

Q17 If you have any additional thoughts or comments regarding the effects of virtual interviews on the orthopaedic surgery application process, please feel free to share below:

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End of Block: Applicant to Program information