

TO: PGY-2, PGY-3, and returning PGY-4 residents
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RE: Rites of Spring

It's time again for the annual Rites of Spring! This is your chance to express preferences about your rotations for next year. Rather than a hand written form you will be making your requests via a google doc.

On February 27th or before, I will send you your individual Record of Training by e-mail. This form lists the requirements of the program and shows which rotations you will have completed as of the end of June 2017. Please let me know, of course, if there are errors or omissions on this form. You will also receive in the same e-mail a diagram of the clinical rotations you would expect to be doing in each year of your residency, and a catalyst link to complete **no later than THURSDAY MARCH 23rd**. We will start scheduling immediately after this. Late requests will have lower priority.

Descriptions of required and elective rotations, and of psychotherapy electives available in 2017-2018, are available on the resident website under Training Sites at:

<http://psychres.washington.edu/trainingsites/trainingsites.asp>

Instructions, in addition to being sent to you by e-mail, are available on the website at:

<http://psychres.washington.edu/policiesandprocedures/ritesofspring/ritesofspring.asp>

In filling out the catalyst survey, please also remember to let me know about any specific times you want/need to be on vacation, take leave, etc.

Some **common and important issues**:

1. If you are interested in **Child and Adolescent Psychiatry**, please remember that you need to apply formally to the Child and Adolescent Psychiatry Program through the Match in the fall prior to the July when you wish to start the child program. You can enter child as a PGY-4 or a PGY-5. You must apply through the Match for any child program you are interested in, including our own UW program.
2. If you have not yet met the Board requirement for 2 months FTE of neurology, this requirement can be met through outpatient neurology clinic rotations at UWMC, Harborview, or the VA.

Although we will try to assign you to rotations and sites that you request, it may not be possible to give you all of your first choices. However, we will make every effort to be fair, so if you don't get your first choice now, you will receive your reward on another rotation selection or at some time in the future... If you did not receive your first choices in the past, please feel free to remind me of this! **And please be sure to let me know which of your requests are most important to you!**

Good luck and have fun!