

## **Resources and guidelines: Click on links for more information.**

### **[ADEA POSTDOCTORAL APPLICATION SUPPORT SERVICES \(PASS\)](#)**

**The ADEA PASS 2016 application cycle begins in May, 2015** and the ADEA PASS Application link will be available at that time.

The "**ADEA PASS Program Search Engine**" has a comprehensive list of PASS participating programs and detailed information about each one. Be aware, programs that don't participate in PASS are not included.

- Consider choosing approximately 20 programs, and narrow your choices as you go forward.
- Discuss your program choices with departmental faculty, RESIDENTS and private practitioners.
- **After finalizing your program list, check the program specific webpage to verify that the information posted in the ADEA PASS search engine is correct. Email the contact person if there are any discrepancies.**

The **ETS PPI® for ADEA PASS (Educational Testing Service Personal Potential Index)** provides a web-based method for evaluators to evaluate you on a broader range of criteria than a 'letter of recommendation' would provide. You are required to provide a minimum of 2 (5 maximum) PPI evaluations. Make appointments with the faculty members you select to be your Evaluators.

- Take a copy of your 'unofficial transcript' (request it from the Office of Education) and a copy of your CV with you and be ready to discuss your interests and qualifications.
- Tactfully, ask faculty to include comments in their PPI evaluations, since these are important for the reviewers.
- Your personal statement may also help faculty write more specific comments.

The **Professional Evaluation Form (PEF)** is the traditional letter of recommendation that does not limit evaluators to a specific topic; special or unique applicant experiences can be highlighted. ADEA PASS will process up to two PEFs per designation. The PEFs are optional; however, many programs require them. Review each program's requirements on the ADEA PASS Search Engine to identify programs that require PEFs.

### **POSTDOCTORAL DENTAL MATCHING PROGRAM (MATCH)**

- The MATCH website usually opens in mid-May. No information is currently posted for the exact opening date. Please remember that MATCH is a binding agreement. You can withdraw from MATCH *prior* to MATCHing without a penalty (most of the time).
- **MATCH FAQs**

### **PASS/MATCH**

This website provides a single access point for applicants who want to use either or both ADEA PASS and the Postdoctoral Dental Matching Program, (MATCH) administered by National Matching Services Incorporated for the 2016 Application Cycle:

### **NON PASS/MATCH PROGRAMS AND APPLICATION PROCESS**

Please provide the Office of Education with a stamped, addressed envelope for each non-PASS program application. Please leave the return address blank.

As a general rule for all programs,

- Complete all forms online, not by hand.
- Consider providing your photo, personal essay, and CV, even if they are not required.
- Pay by credit card