



Dear Friends,

Tuesday, this past week was Match Day 2020. The Match is a difficult process and it can be a very emotion-filled day. Joy for yourself can be quickly met with sadness for a friend, while sometimes difficult results for yourself are accompanied with very positive results for your peers. Match results do not define who you are as a person. Our final year graduates are exceptional and will make phenomenal physicians. The CFMS is proud to represent you. To the students who are not yet matched after the first iteration, we are all fully here to support you. The CFMS has a number of [supports](#) which we had made your student affairs offices aware of. Students who are applying to the second iteration are able to receive \$150 to support their second iteration fees. There are 223 remaining residency positions in the second iteration, 170 of which are in family medicine. The CFMS will monitor the situation leading up to the second iteration match day and we will make further statements on the match situation as a whole once final numbers are released on April 15<sup>th</sup>.

The board and the CFMS as a whole continues to be very busy as we prepare for our Spring General Meeting (SGM), which is concurrent with CCME. Registration for SGM remains [open](#) until March. 12<sup>th</sup>. In addition, information about our elections and resolutions process are available [here](#).

As we all are aware, COVID-19, the novel coronavirus is a major public health concern, worldwide, including Canada. The CFMS is monitoring how this situation will affect medical training and medical education related events. We are in close contact with other medical education organizations and will keep all of you as informed as possible. We know your local university communities will be very much monitoring the situations as well.

Lastly I want to remind everyone about the new [Strategic Innovation Fund](#) due on March 15<sup>th</sup>! We look forward to seeing all the excellent applications and we are super excited to hand out LOTS of money to support your amazing initiatives.

Don't hesitate to reach out to me with any questions or concerns at [president@cfms.org](mailto:president@cfms.org)

Sincerely,

Victor Do  
CFMS President, 2019-2020