Life After Residency: Fellowship

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Applying for Fellowship

June 6, 2017	ERAS 2018 Season Begins
	EFDO ☑ begins to generate and distribute MyERAS tokens.
	Applicants can register on MyERAS and begin working on their application.
July 6, 2017	Fellowship applicants may apply to July application cycle programs only.
July 15, 2017	July application cycle programs start receiving applications.

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November 22, 2017	Fellowship applicants may apply to December application cycle programs only.
December 1, 2017	December application cycle programs start receiving applications.
December	Match results available for July application cycle programs.
May 31, 2018	ERAS 2018 Season Ends: MyERAS closes at 5 p.m. ET

Applying for Fellowship

- Apply early
- Rotate in your chosen subspecialty
- Attend conferences and make connections

Research in Your Subspecialty

- Goal 2 publications/residency year in your specialty
- Presentations at regional/national conferences (posters, oral)

Letters of Recommendation

- Aim for 4 letters if number not specified
 - Check ERAS and program websites
- Letter writers
 - PD, at least one in your subspecialty
- When to get letter
 - While still working with them
 - Earlier the better
- How to ask for the letter
 - Ask in person
 - Provide copy of CV
 - Thank you

Personal Statement

- What experiences make you a strong candidate for the program?
- What parts of your application highlight your successes?
- What will you bring to the program to strengthen it or what will be your legacy?

Interview Preparation

- Practice and prepare
 - What will you bring to the program- scholarly activity? Leadership?
 - Have cases/scenarios prepared- what you learned, how it made you better
 - Mock interview
- Ask questions
- Interact with current fellows, interviewees
- Send thank you notes

Summary

- Know your timeline, start early
- Identify your strengths and highlight them
- Let the program know how you will contribute
- Get involved in scholarly activity