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Wichita medical students match to residency programs

WICHITA, KAN. – Today during Match Day, 51 fourth-year students at the KU School of Medicine–Wichita learned where they will do their residency training.

Student Molly Lindquist matched at the Mayo School of Graduate Medical Education in Scottsdale, Ariz., for internal medicine, while Jessica Strafuss will complete her internal medicine residency at Georgetown University Hospital in Washington, D.C. Patricia Kleinholz matched in neurology at Vanderbilt University Medical Center in Nashville, Tenn., and Elizabeth Rinehart will complete her pathology residency at Brigham and Women’s Hospital in Boston, Mass.

Almost 64 percent of Wichita’s soon-to-be graduates are entering primary care (family medicine, pediatrics, internal medicine, medicine/pediatrics). Twenty-nine percent will stay in Wichita, training in a Wichita Center for Graduate Medical Education program. And nine students matched in either surgery, emergency medicine or obstetrics and gynecology.

While 29 percent of physicians across the nation graduated from a medical school in the same state where they practice, 49 percent of KU School of Medicine–Wichita medical school graduates practice in Kansas. Sixty-five percent of KU School of Medicine–Wichita graduates from both the school and one of the 13 Wichita Center for Graduate Medical Education residency programs practice in Kansas.

During their fourth year, medical students interview with residency programs for training in the medical specialty of their choice. Students rank the programs, while the programs also rank the students. At 11 a.m. CST today, all U.S. medical students learned where they matched.

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