

Orthopedic Surgery Structured Reference Letter

Applicant:

Referee:

Declaration

Confidentiality of content

Please indicate if the applicant had an opportunity to review the content of this letter before submission to CaRMS:

- ☐ The applicant did not have the opportunity to review the content of this letter before submission to CaRMS
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Conflict of Interest

"I declare that I have not, at any point during the time I have known this applicant, had a relationship with this applicant that could be construed as a conflict of interest. This may include but is not limited to being: related, a close friend, business associate or treating physician."

- ☐ I declare no conflict of interest;
- ☐ I may have a conflict of interest

Context of Working Relationship

When did you work with this applicant?

Start: [mm-yyyy]

End: [mm-yyyy]

Length of clinical or professional contact with applicant:

- ☐ 1 month
- ☐ 1-12 months
- ☐ 1-2 years
- ☐ 2+ years

Context of Working Relationship

Nature of contact with applicant: (Click all that apply)

- ☐ Extended direct clinical contact (> 20hrs/week)
- ☐ Limited direct clinical contact (20 hrs/week)
- ☐ Direct research contact
- ☐ Know indirectly through others/evaluations
- ☐ Committee prepared letter of recommendation
- ☐ Other (Please describe)

Qualifications for orthopedic surgery

Compared to other orthopedic applicants, rank this student by selecting the appropriate percentile category from the dropdown. **The ranking is listed from lowest to highest.** (For example, a student ranked in the 100th percentile is the most highly qualified.)

Patient Care – Ability to develop and justify an appropriate differential diagnosis and a cohesive treatment plan.

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Medical Knowledge – Level of general and orthopedic-specific medical knowledge.

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Interpersonal and Communication Skills – Ability to interact effectively with others on the health care team and communicate in an effective and caring manner with patients and their families.

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Procedural Skills – Ability to perform surgical tasks in a competent manner.

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Research – Ability to identify a question and to formulate and execute a cogent research plan.

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Global Assessment

Ability to Work Within a Team – Ability to understand how their role contributes to the common goals of the entire care team.

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Professionalism – Quality of work ethic, altruism, professional demeanor, and willingness to assume responsibility.

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Initiative and Drive – Ability to stay oriented to a goal and see tasks to completion.

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Commitment to Orthopedic Surgery – Thoughtfulness in choosing his or her career path compared to other medical students you know.

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Summative Statement

Ideally, where do you think that this applicant will be placed on your final rank list? If you are involved in a formal ranking process, where would you like to see this applicant ranked?

- ☐ Ranked to guarantee a match
- ☐ High rank (upper 1/3)
- ☐ Middle rank (middle 1/3)
- ☐ Low rank (lower 1/3)

Personal Comments

Please enter any other comments that you might have about the candidate here. This could include further comments about their performance, other areas of involvement (e.g., advocacy, leadership, scholarship), any strengths or weaknesses not covered above, as well as any areas that are not touched on in the sections above.

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Signature:

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Date: