

Tiffany Jo Harms of Wallace is one of 119 UNMC senior medical students who received their residency assignments during the traditional Match Day ceremony held in the Sorrell Center on the UNMC campus. Harms will be a family medicine resident at Texas A&M Bryan/College Station, Bryan, Texas.

A residency is a training program for newly-graduated medical students in the medical area of their choice. Residencies range in length from three to six years.

Of the UNMC students who matched, 45 percent are staying in Nebraska for their training programs and 39 percent will do residencies at The Nebraska Medical Center, UNMC's hospital partner.

This year's Match Day is the largest in history, according to the National Resident Matching Program (NRMP), as 30,543 applicants participated—655 more than last year.

A computer program is used to aligns the preferences of applicants with the preferences of residency programs in order to fill the thousands of training positions available at U.S. teaching hospitals.

The NRMP is a private, not-for-profit organization established in 1952 to provide an orderly and fair mechanism to match the preferences of applicants to U.S. residency positions.