



Update for SSPPS Students on **PhORCAS**[™]
Pharmacy Online Residency Centralized Application Service

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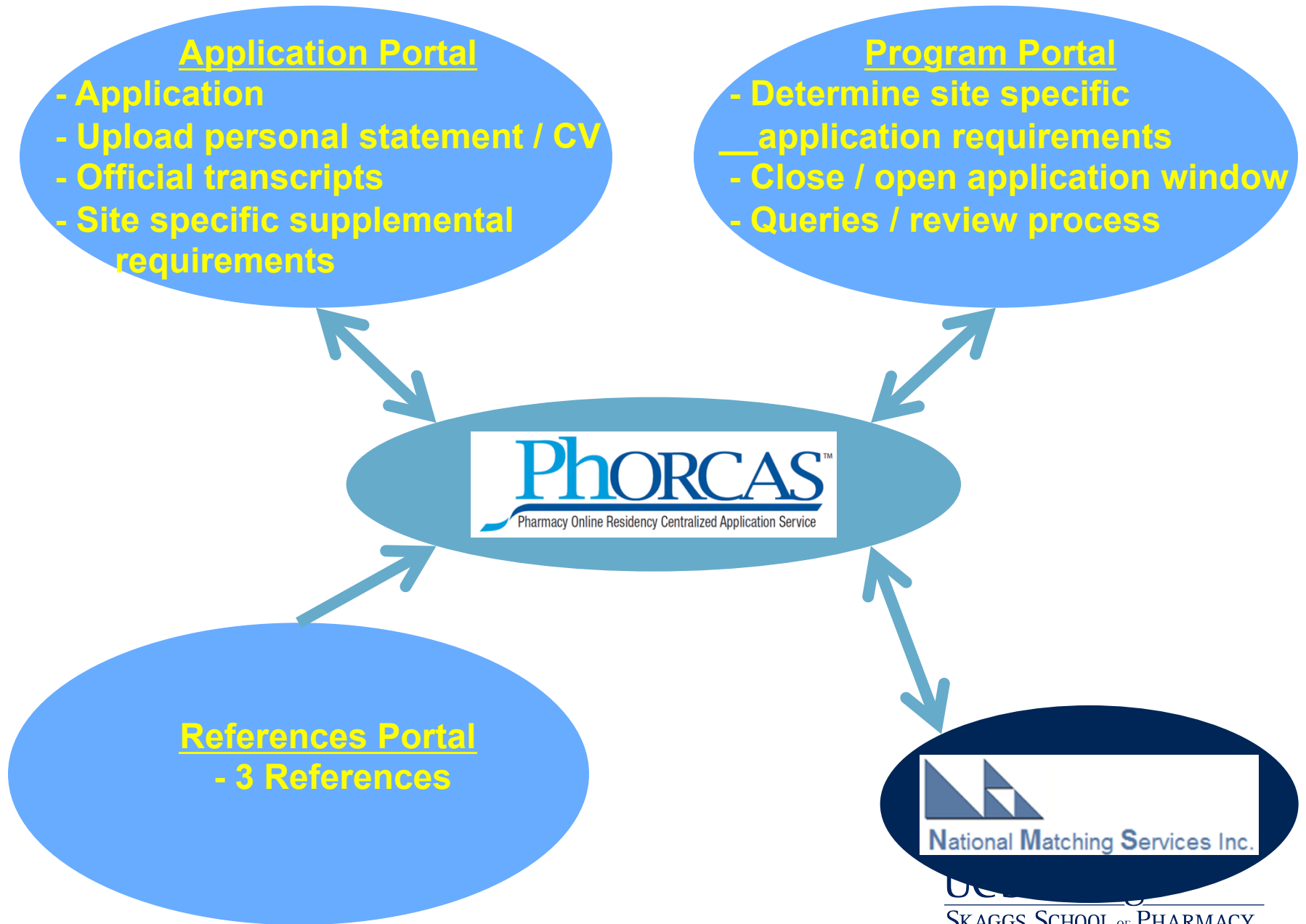
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Goal of PhORCAS

Streamline the residency recruitment process wherever possible to benefit:

- Resident Applicants
- Residency Programs
- Reference Writers





Benefits to Resident Applicants

- One online submission - dissemination to multiple programs
- Electronic tracking, notification of application progress
- Reduced applicant hassle
- Flexibility to standardize and customize
- Seamless registration for PhORCAS and National Match Service
- System available for post match process

Standardized application materials

- Demographics (includes GPA and college attended)
- Verified transcripts
- Personal statement / letter of intent
- CV
- 3 References
- Extracurricular and professional activities
- National Matching Service code
- Supplemental section (optional)

Flexible elements for programs

- Application deadline
- Site unique requirements
 - Personal statement / letter of intent requests
 - Supplemental information must be provided in the following formats- .pdf, .doc, .txt, .rtf
 - Space limit- max 5MB
 - Request of reference writers beyond standard reference form

Timeline –2013!

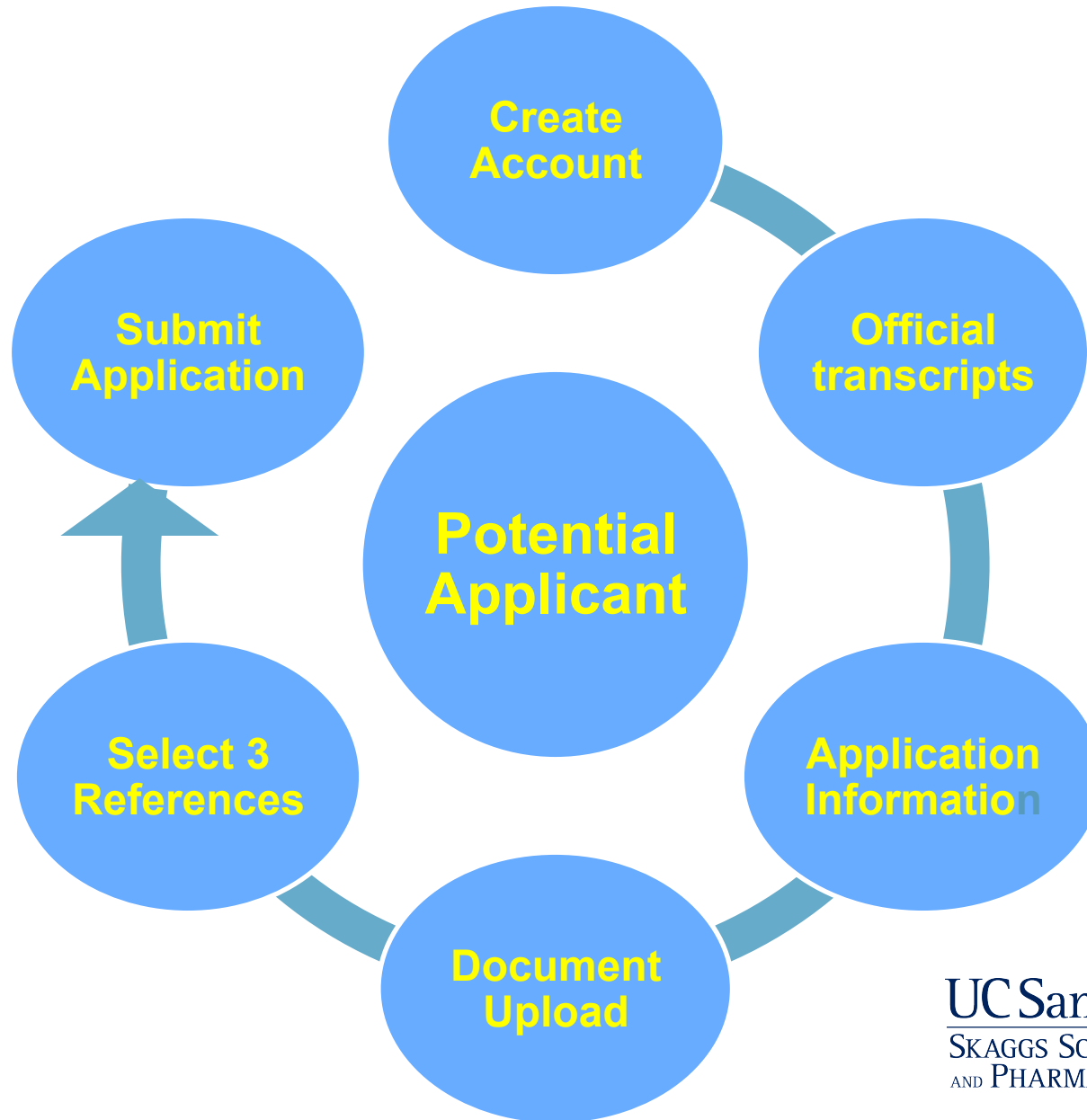
1. PhORCAS will go live on Monday 10/28/13
2. RMP -match rank order list due 3/7/2014

3. Match Results released 3/21/14

POST MATCH PROCESS - same as last year

4. Applicants post match can enter PhORCAS on 3/21, programs will not know post match applicants until
5. Monday 3/24 when PhORCAS applicants can begin to actually send applications.
6. One week “no offers” period, post match offers should begin on 3/31/4

Applicant Process



Applicant Transcripts

- Applicants will have one copy of their official transcripts from each school mailed to “PhORCAS Transcripts”
- “PhORCAS Transcripts” staff will certify the authenticity of transcripts
- “PhORCAS Transcripts” staff will upload as a scanned image

Benefits to Reference Writers

- Electronic notification and notes from applicants
- Standardized reference in PhORCAS provides options for writers to elaborate and expand on reference
- Ability to customize a reference letter
- Electronic submission
- Potential of using previous reference information for post match process

Standardized Reference



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Narrative comments

FOR PGY1 CANDIDATES ONLY

1. How did the candidate's skills compare with (in order of preference) peers, students or students from other colleges?

2. In the space below, please feel free to address any other characteristics or observances of the candidate not mentioned previously.

FOR PGY2 CANDIDATES ONLY

1. Please comment on how the candidate's skills compare with other residents? Describe his/her degree of independence to date? Has the resident assumed more independence as the year progressed?

2. In the space below, please feel free to address any other characteristics or observances of the candidate not mentioned previously.

Recommendation concerning admission (select one)

- I highly recommend this candidate
- I recommend this candidate
- I recommend this candidate, but with some reservation/s
- I do not recommend this candidate

Fees

- Paid by the applicants
- Base package will be \$75 for 4 programs
- An additional \$25 per program past initial 4 programs
- National Matching Service Registration \$116

Post Match – Scramble

- PhORCAS will add structure to the scramble
- Programs will have option to reopen program
 - Unmatched or expansion positions
- Will expedite the application process because application material will be available
- Post match scramble pricing
 - Remaining selections from base package (remainder of 4 programs)
or
 - An additional \$25 per program
- ASHP COC recommends a one week moratorium post match to enable all parties time to adequately explore opportunities