Department of Pediatrics TTUHSC at El Paso

Match 2008

Criteria for Selection of Applicants for Interview

- 1. Applicants to our Pediatric Residency Program are expected to have completed USMLE Steps 1 and 2, and international graduates are expected to have an ECFMG Certificate.
- 2. Texas Tech SOM applicants will be considered for interview unless serious academic or other deficiencies are noted in their transcripts or recommendation letters.
- 3. Applicants who have passed Step 1 and 2 on first attempt will be preferred.
- 4. Applicants with scores of 80 or higher on both USMLE Steps 1 and 2 will be preferred.
- 5. Applicants must be eligible for full licensure in Texas upon completion of training. Applicants who have tried 3 or more times unsuccessfully are <u>not</u> eligible for full licensure in Texas.
- 6. Applicants with exceptionally strong letters of recommendation will be preferred.

Your application will be stronger if:

- You have good communication skills
- You have completed a residency training in pediatrics (IMG applicants)
- You have demonstrated interest in pediatrics by prior electives, summer jobs, externships, or research
- You have demonstrated involvement in academic activities (research studies, grant application and management, scientific publications)
- You have passed USMLE Step 3
- You have prior clinical experience in US
- You have not taken time away from the profession except for legitimate reasons (e.g., pregnancy)

Bilingual applicants (English and Spanish) are encouraged to apply.