

Poll Questions for 2026 AAAAI PDA Business Meeting

1. What are your plans for the upcoming interview season?

- A. In Person – (2/37) 5%
- B. Virtual (34/37) 92%
- C. Hybrid (1/37) 3%

2. Do you offer a second look?

- A. Yes (20/37) 54%
- B. No (17/37) 46%

3. For those who offer a second look, is it through your Division/Section/Program or part of a GME initiative at your Institution?

- A. Through our Division/Section/Program only (7/21) 33%
- B. Both our Division/Section/Program and GME (6/21) 29%
- C. Through GME only with no direct interaction with our Division/Section/Program (8/21) 38%

4. Did receiving preference signals change your fellowship program's review and selection process this cycle?

- A. Yes, it meaningfully changed how we reviewed and selected applicants (10/35) 29%
- B. Somewhat — it had minor effects on parts of our process (16/35) 46%
- C. No, we reviewed applications the same way as before (8/35) 23%
- D. Our program did not participate in preference signaling (1/35) 3%

5. How did preference signals affect your initial screening of applications?

- A. We used signals as the primary screen — signaled applicants were guaranteed a holistic review (8/33) 24%
- B. Signals helped us identify strong applicants we likely would have missed with our usual criteria (8/33) 24%
- C. We reviewed signaled applications first, then moved to non-signaled ones as time allowed (8/33) 24%
- D. Signals did not meaningfully affect how we screened initial applications (9/33) 27%

6. Overall, how would you rate preference signaling as a tool for improving the fellowship match process in your specialty?

- A. Highly beneficial — I strongly support continuing and refining it (9/33) 27%
- B. Moderately beneficial — useful with room for improvement (12/33) 36%
- C. Mixed — benefits and drawbacks roughly balanced (9/33) 27%
- D. Not beneficial — I would prefer returning to pre-signaling processes (3/33) 9%