

# PATHWAY TO CRIP

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## The Day of Your Interviews

Registration opens at 7AM beginning Saturday, Jan. 9. Socials occurring before this will be posted on the Buffalo Trail door.

Each day you have interviews, sign in to the CRIP Registration room at least 30 minutes prior to your first interview. CRIP staff needs to know you are on-site.

The first day you sign in you will receive your schedule for that section of the week along with a name tag. The schedule lists the time and room for each interview. You will not receive another name tag, so hang on to it!

Show up to the interview room five to ten minutes ahead of your scheduled time. Wait in the hall—do NOT knock—until someone comes to get you.

## Scheduling

CRIP Scheduling closes three days before the interviews. You have created your own schedule - stick to it! There is NO excuse for canceling interviews during CRIP. It is EXTREMELY unprofessional.

In the case of illness or significant travel delay, contact the CRIP staff at the hotel. We will relay the message to the program and try to find a way to reschedule for you.

It is important to be prompt and help keep the programs on schedule. If a program should fall behind to the extent that it impacts your next scheduled interview, do not wait. Go to your next interview at the scheduled time then come down to CRIP Registration so that we can reschedule the interview you missed.

## Call Backs

While few programs conduct call back interviews, there is always confusion about how they work. Programs that plan to conduct call backs are noted on the PDF version of your interview schedule, found on CASPRweb.org. The call back lists will be posted in the CRIP Registration room. Staff, after examining your schedule, will determine the time for your call back. You must confirm your time with CRIP Staff.

For a thorough description of call backs and other information about CRIP, go to [www.casprcrip.org](http://www.casprcrip.org), click on Especially for Students and then on the Instruction Booklet link.



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## NEWSLETTER SPOTLIGHT

CRIP Registration is in the **Buffalo Trail** meeting room on the second level, right at the top of the stairs or to the left of the elevator bank.

Room changes, socials, call-back lists and other information are posted here, so check in often.



## Preparing for CRIP

When preparing for CRIP interviews, be aware that there are many different styles of interviews. They can be social, a mix of social and academic or purely academic. Some interviews will take place in one room with one set of interviewers, others will have you move from room to room, interviewer to interviewer. You may be asked to read X-Rays, patient charts or suture.

Interviews are business formal. Socials are usually casually dressy. Be aware that the residency faculty is staying in the same hotel. You may run into them in the lobby, swimming pool or exercise room, so behave and dress appropriately.