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Dear Class of 2017,

As one of the most exciting days in all of medical school approaches, we wanted to share a few event details for Match Day 2017, on Friday, March 17.

- Students should gather in the Medical Education Pavilion Lobby, outside of the Sullivan Classroom (Med Ed 200), any time after 10:30. We will have light breakfast food available so you will have the chance to have something to eat before the Match Day excitement begins. As you gather, you'll have the opportunity take photos in the "Selfie Zone," and choose beads, sunglasses or other celebratory items selected by the class to make the event even more memorable and fun.
- If your family is attending, here is the website for [Visitor Parking](#) on campus, which includes a map. As Match Day this year is during Spring Break week and classes are not in session, different parking rules may be in effect. There is also the option to park in the UVM Medical Center parking garage.
- At approximately 11:45 a.m., Larner College of Medicine alumnus and faculty member Dr. James Wallace and his bagpipes will lead the procession of students from the Medical Education Center down the Given hallway to the Hoehl Gallery, where UVM leaders, the Larner College of Medicine community, classmates, families and friends will be waiting and a slideshow featuring four years of Class of 2017 photos will be on the screen.
- After welcome remarks from Dean Jeffries, Dean Morin, Provost Rosowsky and Dr. Laurie Leclair, Student Council President Mohammad Mertaban will share his remarks and outline the process for drawing envelopes. Just before noon, Dr. Zehle will arrive with the match envelopes and Class of 2018 students Asaad Traina, Rebekah Wieland, Christina Litsakos and Catherine LaPenta will begin by drawing the first envelopes to be claimed.
- As your name is called, you will come to the side stage steps to claim your envelope and put a dollar in the Dollar Jar – those funds will be given to the person whose name is called last. You can choose to come to the podium (you can bring your family or friends on stage for support) to open and share your news, or you can take your envelope and open it privately and then have the option to return to the stage to share your news. Names are called several at a time to set up a steady line, so your decision to read or not will not be noticed. Historically, even those students who may be nervous ahead of time about opening their envelopes find that the joy of

the moment and support of their classmates provides the inspiration to step up to the podium! If you need more inspiration, [watch this Match Day opening message from Chase Peterson](#), from the UVM LCOM Class of 2011, who were the first to experience Match Day in this format.

- If you cannot be here in person to open your envelope, you can designate someone to pick it up, open and share on your behalf. If you entered the couples match or if you would like to open with a classmate, please ask [Emma Faustner](#) to staple your envelopes together no later than Thursday, March 16 at noon.
- We will be live-streaming the event (check the [Larner College of Medicine HOME page](#) for the link) so that your families and friends who can't be here with you can share in this exciting moment. We will also be taking lots of photos and engaging on our social media channels – we encourage you to do the same! **#uvmlarnermed** is the UVM Larner College of Medicine hashtag; **#Match2017** is the National hashtag.

If you have any questions or concerns about the event details, please let us know.

Best,

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