

## Finding a Rural Residency

<https://rttcollaborative.net/students/med-students-residency/find-a-rural-residency/>

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### The RTT Collaborative

- Definition of a rural program, with variations on the theme  
<https://rttcollaborative.net/rural-programs/>

Randall Longenecker (2017) Rural Medical Education Programs: A Proposed Nomenclature. *Journal of Graduate Medical Education*: June 2017, Vol. 9, No. 3, pp. 283-286.

<https://doi.org/10.4300/JGME-D-16-00550.1>

- Rural Family Medicine Programs map  
<https://rttcollaborative.net/rural-programs/residency-map/>  
[Future revisions will likely include IM, Peds, General Surgery, Psychiatry, OB-GYN]

### The American College of Surgeons/General Surgery

- ACS website: <https://www.facs.org/education/resources/%20residency-search/specialties/rural>
- Avery, Daniel M. Jr and Wallace, Joseph C. (2016) "Rural Surgery Training Programs in the United States: A Review of the Literature," *Online Journal of Rural Research & Policy*: Vol. 11: Issue 3.  
<https://doi.org/10.4148/1936-0487.1078>
- Rossi IR; Wiegmann AL; Schou P; Borgstrom DC; Rossi, MB. Reap What You Sow: Which Rural Surgery Training Programs Currently Exist and Do Medical Students Know of Their Existence? *J Surgical Education*, May-June 2018; 75(3):697-701  
<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.jsurg.2017.09.029>

### For other specialties:

FREIDA (AMA search tool)

Search FREIDA for programs that offer rural pathways. First select the specialty on the main FREIDA screen. On the next screen, scroll down to view all the filters on the left side bar, click on "Special Tracks" and from the dropdown check "Rural Track."

<https://freida.ama-assn.org/Freida/#/> [Caution: it may still be difficult to find evidence of a rural pathway on the residency program website]

Google "[specialty] residency" "rural track"

### ACGME (Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education)

Search - by program number, specialty, state, etc.:

<https://apps.acgme.org/ads/Public/Programs/Search>

For the rurality of any residency, check street address of (1) the Family Medicine Practice for FM or (2) the primary hospital for other specialties, using "Am I Rural?"

<https://www.ruralhealthinfo.org/am-i-rural>