AMCAS Medical School Actions

AC  Accepted
This action is used for any applicant to whom an official offer of acceptance has been tendered.

AL  Alternate List
This action may be used for applicants who have been placed on a school’s alternate acceptance list.

DF  Defer Matriculation to Future Class
This action should be used if an applicant has accepted an offer of admission but has asked to defer or delay matriculation until a future year. This action is considered final.

DR  Defer to Regular Pool
This action is used when an applicant applies for a special program, such as early decision or combined degree, but has been moved to the regular pool of applicants by the medical school.

HO  Hold for Information
This action may be used for applicants still under consideration but for whom additional information or review may be necessary.

MA  Matriculated
This action must be submitted for all accepted applicants who officially enroll and are in attendance when classes start. This action is considered final.

NA  No Action
This is the initial/default action our system issues to AMCAS applicants.

OT  Other/Custom Action
Use this non-final action type if none of the other non-final action types are applicable.

PR  Preliminary Rejection
This action is used when an applicant is rejected based on an initial application review.

For example, a state medical school that does not consider out-of-state applicants should use Preliminary Rejection for an applicant rejected immediately because s/he does not meet residency requirements based on the information provided to AMCAS. This category allows schools to separate reports based on those applications immediately rejected as opposed to those rejected after committee review. This action is considered final.

PW  Passive Withdrawal
This action should be used when an applicant whose application has been processed by AMCAS, but fails to meet the application requirements set by the individual medical school, and who by virtue of failing to meet such requirements is removed from consideration by the medical school. For example, an applicant who neglects to submit a secondary (supplemental) application effectively withdraws him or herself from consideration by the medical school. This action is considered final.
RA*  Rescinded Acceptance
This action is used for any applicant to whom an official offer of acceptance has been
tendered and later retracted. *This action was introduced in the 2010 application cycle.

RJ  Rejected/Not Accepted
This action should be used when an applicant is rejected following Admissions Committee
review. This action is considered final.

WA  Withdrawn After Acceptance
This action should be used when an applicant withdraws from consideration after having been
offered an acceptance. This action is considered final.

WB  Withdrawn Before Action/Withdrawn Before Acceptance
This action is used when an applicant notifies the medical school of his/her intention to
withdraw before the school has made any admission decision. This action is considered final.