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**EXPLORING A MEDICAL CAREER QUESTIONNAIRE**

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**Instructions:** Answer the questions in complete sentences using the text exploring a Medical Career to answer.

1. **What things should you consider about your personality to know if the medical career is for you?**

There are many things that make me rest assured of the ability that I have to be a great doctor; in my personality I am responsible, I like challenges and learn new skills in the branch of medical science as well as in many others, I like to help people when they are ill and to sum up is the dream I've had since my use of reason.

1. **What does it take to become a physician?** To become in a doctor requires a degree of advanced study that lasts approximately 11 to 16 years to acquire the necessary knowledge that we will have many people's lives in our hands.
2. **What are the characteristics of the medical career?**

The characteristics of the career as doctor can be summarized in the following way:

• Service: allows us to help people and make the acquired knowledge advances.

• Action: aren't all the time attached to a desktop

• Respect: our work and contributions are an important part of their community because thanks to them we help the improvement of many diseases. \*Security: allows us to earn life in a good manner while maintaining a secure future.

• Mobility: our skills and knowledge are the demand around the world, wherever they choose to live.

* Flexibility: gives us many opportunities to work in many branches of science.

1. **What is the main job of a physician?**

Ensure the health of all human beings, with a complete and integral attention and also help the creation of new drugs.

1. **What is the difference between a primary care physician and a specialist physician?**   The difference between a physician general and a specialist is the general doctor offers a wide range of services and care to children and adults, while a specialist focuses on the study of a given system of the human body.
2. **What else besides caring for people`s health can physicians do?**  Doctors also do many other things. They are medical researchers working today to develop new treatments for cancer, genetic disorders and infectious diseases such as AIDS. Also the academic doctors share their knowledge and wisdom to teach the medical students and residents. Others work with organizations that maintain public health, also in pharmaceutical companies, manufacturers of medical devices, health insurance companies, or companies conducting health and safety programmers directed at all persons requiring it.
3. **What are some of the rewards of being a physician?**

Medicine has many rewards: personally, because it allows them to help people who need it; intellectually because with the passing of time it acquired experience and knowledge generally of all the sciences and financially because they are the category of work they earn more by ensuring a good future for them and their children as well.

1. **What is the average salary for physicians in the US and what does that salary depend on?**

On average, doctors make $160,000 per year, but this amount can vary depending on what type of medical specialty and where doctors carry out their residence

1. **How many hours may physicians work a week?**

Apart from be the best paid people are more hours work a week, we are talking about an average of more than 60 hours, as well as to answer emergencies when they are needed.

1. **Why is medical school a challenge?**

The school of medicine is a challenge for a reason: If you are going to take responsibility for preserving the health and well-being of the people, you have to be committed to the learning and acquisition of new knowledge. However, once you accept it, the Faculty of medicine and staff will do all that we can to help you succeed as a doctor.

1. **Describe the medical school in the US.**

The Faculty of Medicine of the US generally lasts four years, during the first two years, studying medicine basic sciences: Anatomy, biochemistry, Physiology, microbiology, pathology, and Pharmacology, as well as behavioral sciences; They introduce techniques for interviewing patients; and guidance to health. In the third year, you will get clinical experience with patients in the hospital and Office in the fields of internal medicine, medicine family, Pediatrics, obstetrics and Gynecology, surgery and Psychiatry. The fourth year is a mixture of mandatory and elective courses where obtained careful additional experience for city patients. Years pass continuing contact with patients and doctors in a clinical environment taking elective courses.

1. **Why is Medical School tough?** Because in it much is required both in the volume of information that is expected to deliver to the teacher and the rate at which is expected to learn. We need good study habits and time management skills, as well as a solid academic background. We will also have to take into account the tremendous support, guidance and mentoring provided by the Faculty of the school of medicine. Above is the cause of the sacrifice that you have to do medical students to reach their dreams of becoming great physicians.