



Pre-Med Interviewing

The Interview

The medical school interview is the final and most important aspect of the application process. For this reason, a few important facts should be remembered to maximize positive results.

- 1) Not all applicants are granted an interview. By being granted an interview, you know that the admissions committee is interested in you.
- 2) The interview should not be approached with anxiety and fear. Realize that the interview is to your advantage. It gives you a chance to add some warm personality to that cold AMCAS application.
- 3) Be on time! There is nothing more negative than showing up late for an interview.
- 4) Dress professionally and look like a doctor. Never wear jeans. Look clean and neat.
- 5) Be friendly and courteous. The interviewer should be treated as a friend, not as an adversary.
- 6) Be yourself. Be honest. Don't ever make the mistake of getting caught in a lie.
- 7) Speak clearly. Think before you speak. Try to ask questions yourself.
- 8) Never argue with the interviewer. You don't have to agree with the interviewer's opinions, but avoid arguments. It only creates negative tension.
- 9) If a complicated question arises which requires time to develop a response, let the interview know that you have to think about it for a minute. Don't simply say the first thing that happens to pop into your head.
- 10) RELAX! Try to be at ease before the interview to avoid looking nervous.

Personal Notes: