

Do you enjoy helping people especially if they are sick or unwell?

Are you doing well at school and enjoy study?

Perhaps you might be interested in a career as a doctor!

Doctors work out what is causing sickness and disease and then work to treat the problem so that patients regain their health.

Some of the things you might do as a Doctor include:

- examine the patient
- record the patient's medical information
- determine the cause of illness
- prescribe and provide treatments and medications
- advise patients on diet, exercise, hygiene and general health
- report births, deaths and certain diseases to authorities
- arrange for patients to be admitted to hospital
- refer patients to other medical specialists
- complete associated medical records

Once you are a doctor you may consider specializing as:

Anaesthetist

Put people to sleep prior to operations.

Neurologist

Treats sickness relating to the brain & nervous system.

Gynaecologist

Provides care before, during and after childbirth.

Ophthalmologist

Treats sicknesses relating to eyesight.

Paediatrician

Treats diseases in children.

Pathologist

Works in a laboratory to identify and diagnose

Physician

Specialises in areas such as heart or intestinal sicknesses.

Psychiatrist

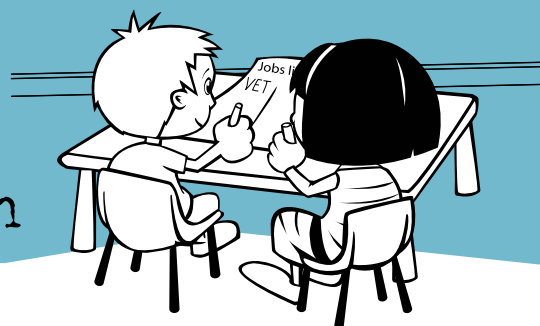
Treats mental, emotional and behavioural problems

Radiologist

Treats diseases using X-rays.

Surgeon

Specialise in many areas such as bones or brain surgery .



You will be....

- highly motivated to assist unwell people
- an excellent communicator
- highly motivated to succeed
- good at finishing things started
- good at studying especially in the sciences
- confident and motivated to achieve

Education & Training

You need to achieve very good results in year 12 to gain entry into a medical degree. Subjects you will usually require – depending upon the university degree you select, will include English, Chemistry and sometimes a high mathematics and/or physics.

Find more information at:

Australian Medical Council: www.amc.org.au

Royal Australian College of General Practitioners: www.racgp.org.au

Medical Practitioners Board of Victoria: www.medicalboardvic.org.au