Why Be A Physician in Mississippi?

- Average physician salary in MS $110-158k* (*varies with specialization)
- MS had 63 counties with too few physicians relative to the number of people. (see health map)
- Nationally, there are three doctors to every 1000 residents; however, in MS, there are only two doctors to every 1000 residents.
- The nation has 20 percent of its doctors self-reporting as internists, MS only has 7.5 percent.
- 54 counties in MS have inadequate access to healthcare.

Why Be A Physician in Rural Mississippi?

- MS. has a large rural population
- MS physicians are not evenly distributed relative to the population, which produces gaps in access to physician care
- More than half (56 percent) of all MS physicians are located in four urban counties, leaving 63 of 82 counties underserved
- Only 12 percent of the state's doctors are located in the MS Delta

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- Be able to help people through skills and knowledge
- Be able to improve the quality of life for others
- 7 of the 20 fastest growing occupations are health care related *
- Health care will generate 3 million new wage and salary jobs between 2009 and 2016, more than any other industry*
- Physicians will always be in demand*

*http://www.bls.gov/oco/cg/cgs035.htm
In 2006, of the 13.6 million jobs for wage and salary workers in the health care profession, 16 percent were physicians.

Another 438,000 health care jobs were self-employed. Of those, 295,000 were in offices of physicians, dentists and other health practitioners.

That is almost 2,470,000 physician jobs

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