Interview a Physical Therapist

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Name: Dillon Mowery

Job: Physical therapist

How long have you been at work?: 3 years

What do you enjoy about the job?: I like getting to help people every day, It is a very satisfying job.

How is the job challenging?: I find the job challenging sometimes when their is a patient that really needs to be pushed hard to do his/ her exercises to get better. **How is the job rewarding?:** The job is rewarding in many ways, but my favorite has to be being able to get an athlete back on the field playing the game they love to play. What has changed in the profession in the last 5-10 years?: There has been a lot more technology added for PTs to use, which has made it much easier for us to do our job well.

What is continuing to change?: Technology gets better and better every day. We more than likely will continue to get better equipment to help treat our patients.Was it difficult to find work?: It wasn't too difficult to find work, my university helped me with getting a job right out of college, but the need for physical therapist is increasing each year.

How should I prepare to enter this field?: I would say the best thing to do is study up and try to job shadow as much as you can.

How will I be able to be successful in this field?: Being a people person is a great trait to have, and also a lot of patience.

Do you enjoy being a PT?: I very much enjoy being a PT and I wouldn't trade it for the world.

I thought it was very interesting getting to interview my cousin and learning a lot about his profession. I feel that I was able to learn a lot about the career of a PT, and what it takes to become one. Now that I know more about the profession, it makes me even more excited to start my education in college. I was very happy with the interview, and maybe I will be able to job shadow him in the future.