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Making the Most of the Physician Site Visit

Arriving prepared and being highly professional are key, but physicians should also plan their 'downtime'

By Bonnie Darves

When residents near the end of training, nothing says "you're almost there!" quite as dramatically as the act of setting the date for the first onsite job interview. For physicians, those basic phone or email transactions validate both the years of hard work and the fact that they'll soon start their first practice position — somewhere.

Even if the prospective employer or the organization's recruiter initiated the conversation that led to scheduling the site visit, that doesn't mean the job is guaranteed. Physicians should prepare for any site visit as if they're not the only candidates in the running. If the opportunity is in a highly desirable organization or location, there's a very good chance that other physicians are also being considered.

In other words, treat the site visit as the important event that it is: making the most of that day or two onsite and presenting as a consummate professional. "It's important for residents to keep in mind that the site visit is a job interview, first and foremost, and that their demeanor and appearance really matter," said Lynne Peterson, director of physician and advanced practice recruitment for Fairview Health Services in Minneapolis, Minnesota. "I have seen physicians show up wearing clothes that are far too casual, and that comes across as unprofessional."

What's too casual? "It is not a good idea to show up wearing a polo shirt and casual slacks," said Joelle Hennesey, manager of physician services for First Physicians Group and Sarasota Memorial Hospital in Sarasota, Florida. "Wear business attire, and when in doubt, don't worry about being overdressed." Ms. Hennesey pointed out that most of the young physicians she encounters are dressed for the occasion, but it's more often experienced physicians who commit the dress faux pas. "Then, as recruiters, we're faced with trying to figure out whether the wrong attire choice was just a personality quirk," she said.

Allen Kram, director of physician development for Westchester Medical Center, in Valhalla, New York, reminds residents that professional attire, the candidate's first opportunity to make an impression on arrival, sets the tone. "Dress is unequivocally important. Men should wear a clean,

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pressed dress shirt and jacket, and women, the corollary to that. That’s the standard of etiquette for an onsite interview,” said Mr. Kram, a board member of the Association of Physician Staff Recruiters (ASPR). He and other recruiters interviewed indicated that residents might not receive sufficient coaching from their program staff on this aspect of the site visit.

Act — and be — prepared for the interview

Ideally, physicians planning for an onsite interview should prepare for the visit a week or two in advance. This preparation process should be fairly straightforward, depending on the practice opportunity. There is an abundance of information available online today about many health care organizations and the geographic areas and markets in which they operate. This means that physicians should arrive reasonably well informed. “It’s pretty easy now to do research on a practice, facility, or organization, and the prospective employer will expect the resident or fellow to have done that research,” said Craig Fowler, immediate past president of the National Association of Physician Recruiters and vice president of training, recruiting, and public relations for Pinnacle Health Group in Atlanta, Georgia. “There’s no excuse for being unprepared for this aspect of the site visit, and I often remind residents that being uninformed could give the impression that they’re not highly interested in the opportunity, even when they are.”

The most efficient way to obtain a basic grounding on a practice, facility, or academic institution is to first review the organization’s website and ask the recruiter to provide background information. If candidates aren’t familiar with the geographic region or the health care environment within the area in question, they might find it helpful to look at both business and general-interest publications websites.

If possible, residents should reach out through professional channels to learn more about the organization or facility before the visit. This might entail asking training program faculty members if they have any contacts in the region, or tapping into the medical school or residency alumni networks to identify physicians who might have a helpful perspective.

The star candidates, Mr. Kram, a veteran recruiting professional, points out, “are those who show me and our [interviewing] physicians and administrators that they’ve done some checking — and that they’ve networked enough to know about the organization’s history, and its physicians or its research.” Knowing in advance, for example, that a health care system operates six hospitals and a large clinic network, or is well known for its

cardiac care, will help the candidate steer the conversation toward how any of the attributes might affect the opportunity.

Ms. Hennesey observed that being prepared is also ultimately a matter of courtesy. Organizations have generally gone through considerable time and expense to prepare for a candidate’s visit and schedule meetings with very busy physicians and administrators. As such, showing up unprepared or acting as if the site visit is just a casual opportunity to meet and greet could offend the hosting institution. It also could waste the candidate’s time, if doing some homework might have ruled out a less-than-ideal opportunity.

“Young physicians should keep in mind that the number of site visits they can make is a finite number, and they should choose accordingly,” Mr. Kram said. He and other sources stressed that candidates should never accept the offer of a site visit if they’re not truly interested in exploring the opportunity.

Answer — and ask — the important questions

When candidates prepare for onsite interviews, they should first be ready to answer questions succinctly and professionally. At the same time, candidates should also be ready to ask questions of the physicians and administrators who participate in the interviews.

Of course, it’s not always possible to predict the questions that will be asked. However, physicians should have a ready, ideally rehearsed answer to two all-important ones they’re likely to hear: What do you think you would bring to our organization, and why are you interested in this opportunity?

The recruiters who contributed to this article reported nearly unanimously that most candidates can readily speak to how they’re qualified to succeed clinically in the position. That’s not necessarily the case when candidates are asked why they are interested in the position, recruiters said.

“Physicians should not answer the question by just saying ‘my family lives in New Jersey,’” Mr. Kram advised.

“In my experience, the smart candidates really do their homework before they come for the site visit, and they come because they’re interested in our organization or their prospective colleagues,” Ms. Hennesey said.

It’s also advisable for the candidate to ask specific questions during onsite interviews and conversations. “I sometimes think there’s a misunderstanding

among residents about this,” said Ms. Peterson. Prospective colleagues and other interviewers are in fact expecting questions from candidates, and they might be disappointed if those questions aren’t posed, she said.

It is recommended, for example, that candidates ask specific questions about practice scope, procedure expectations, patient volumes and scheduling practices, operating room availability, organizational culture, and the organization’s position in the marketplace and plans for growth, to name a few important ones. “Asking questions demonstrates a level of engagement and interest on the candidate’s part. The key is to ask the questions respectfully,” Ms. Peterson said.

On a deeper level, physician candidates are also encouraged to ask strategic questions during the interviews. Candidates might ask about the organization’s perceived strengths and weaknesses, for example, with an eye to how their own qualifications might help the practice or facility address the latter. In this climate of consolidation in health care, it’s also appropriate to ask whether the organization is contemplating a purchase, merger, or affiliation — or the prospective addition or removal of a particular clinical service — that might affect the candidate’s own professional future.

Recruiters agree that candidates should reserve the formal interview forum primarily for addressing position-related questions, not to ask about things like recreational opportunities or schools. The community tour or conversations with real estate professionals is the appropriate time and place for those inquiries.

“If you’re not sure what to ask during the interview, go to your program faculty leaders and ask them what *they* might ask, if they were getting ready for that particular site visit,” said Ms. Peterson. “Their guidance can be very helpful.”

“Candidates who have done research on the compensation in their specialty and who are concerned about ensuring they receive a certain salary level actually should ask questions of the recruiter before they schedule the site visit,” Ms. Peterson said. “At the very least, it’s OK for candidates to ask whether the expected compensation range is competitive with the range in their specialty and in that region, before proceeding.”

Candidates who have a successful site visit and are very interested in the position should let their key interviewers know that right away, said Nahry Minars, president and chief executive officer of ProMedical Staffing, LLC, in Washington, D.C. “Candidates should always send a thank you to the

prospective colleagues and the recruiter, ideally soon after they leave town and before they get back to their busy lives,” she said, adding that she advises sending that note within 48 hours, to all key individuals. “That thank-you note is the perfect vehicle for letting the people you met know that you’re very interested in the opportunity — and asking if they need anything else from you, so that your note requires a response. Waiting too long to let them know your interest can give the wrong impression.”

Other site-visit do’s and don’ts: the short list

Physicians who accept the offer of a site visit should plan ahead. To that end, the recruiters offered these additional tips:

Do request “downtime” — a few hours or an entire day, if needed — to check out the area alone. Most organizations will arrange a community tour of some sort if the site visit will be more than a single day (some organizations, as a rule, use a two-visit model, and reserve that return visit for seeing the community). Physicians who really want some time alone or with a significant other to explore the community should ensure that’s set aside ahead of time.

Don’t forget that everyone you encounter onsite is important, and treat all with the same degree of respect. A candidate’s inappropriate or discourteous behavior to anyone may raise questions about the candidate’s suitability for the position. Behaving inappropriately can “sink the opportunity quickly,” as one recruiter put it.

Do ask if a spouse or partner can accompany you. Although most organizations are willing to accommodate a candidate’s significant other, it’s still a good idea to clear that person’s prospective presence (and be clear about any associated expenses) ahead of time with the recruiter.

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Seeking Work-Life Balance in Physician Practice Opportunities

Whether you are a Gen-Xer about to leave training or already in practice and considering a change in venue, establish a realistic set of essential work-life priorities before you negotiate with employers. Become familiar with the fiscal outlook, reimbursement models, staffing patterns, caseload, and coverage requirements. Communicate with other physicians who have recently been hired and keep your requests in line with the real or perceived norm for salary, benefits, and defined work time. Once you've established yourself as an indispensable member of the medical staff, it will be easier to attain your ideal work-life balance.

—John A. Fromson, MD

Young physicians can — and increasingly do — ask for preferred schedules or other accommodations, but there's a time and place and way to broach the subject

By Bonnie Darves

It's understandable that physicians coming out of training want to find a practice opportunity that not only suits their clinical interests and skill sets but also offers the potential for a reasonable balance between work requirements and their personal and family life. It's also understandable that the practices, hospitals, and health systems seeking to hire new graduates are eyeing balance as well. Ideally, they want candidates who are highly skilled and committed to providing good care and willing to help the organization meet its operational and financial requirements.

The issue — or challenge, in many cases, today — for employers is finding a way to structure and offer practice positions that meet their own and candidates' needs. And that's no small feat, in an environment where, particularly in primary care, demand for physicians far exceeds supply.

The recruiters who frequently find themselves in the middle of this equation report that they sometimes see a bit of a disconnect between the kinds of lifestyle accommodations and concessions physicians want and what the employing entities can reasonably offer. “What candidates ask in terms of schedule preferences or work week [structure] depends largely on whether there's a shortage in their specialty,” said Chris Kashnig, a lead physician recruiter for Dean Medical Group in Madison, Wisconsin, part of SSM Health. “What I am seeing is that young physicians, in pediatrics, for example,

want ‘bounded’ work — a strictly outpatient practice with a defined schedule. The problem is there aren't enough of those positions around.” In primary care, he added, his organization is experiencing an increasing amount of requests for part-time positions, particularly from women and candidates with young children.

Some candidates these days, particularly in primary care, have no qualms about asking for special accommodations across the board, recruiters report. Here's an example: Residents in internal medicine or family medicine asking for a fairly substantial list of work-life balance accommodations — a four-day work week with flex time, loan repayment, a signing bonus, and relocation expense coverage. And on top of that, by the way, they would also like top-dollar compensation and no call duty.

What's wrong with that picture? For one thing, it doesn't imply — or leave — much room for give and take. Secondly, such an exhaustive set of requirements doesn't take into account the fact that the newly graduating physician is just that: a medical professional new to her or his career and the real-world practice environment, who'll require significant training and a substantial investment on the part of the hiring organization. Further, accommodating a wish list that's out of sync with what the organization's other physicians receive, expect, or experience might be politically untenable and is not particularly conducive to supporting collegiality.

“Candidates need to be reasonable with their expectations, and realize that they're going to be part of a team — that they'll have to make some concessions,” said Patrice Streicher, a professional development coach and director of Vista Staffing Solutions' search division in Wisconsin. “Yes, we can get you a four-day work, but you should be prepared to give and take. It's also important, I think, for candidates to separate their needs vs. wants, before they talk to recruiters.”

Understanding practices' needs

Another area of potential disconnect between graduates and hiring organizations is a limited understanding, on physicians' part, of the constant balancing act that practices face: They must staff to guarantee adequate care coverage for patients while ensuring that they don't pay more than they can afford for physician services. All recruiters interviewed for this article said that most young physicians they encounter have little understanding of the operational realities of managing practices, and staffing

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hospitals and health systems. And residents likely aren't aware of the market realities and legal issues organizations contend with when they recruit.

That's understandable, perhaps, because most residents have not been exposed to such business concepts and have been focused on clinical skill-building. Nonetheless, this lack of awareness is a likely contributing factor to unreasonable expectations, some recruiters pointed out.

"Most young physicians don't have a clue about how staffing a practice works, so they don't have a sense of what they can reasonably ask for and what practices can actually do," said Regina Levison, vice president of client development for Jordan Search Consultants. "We're constantly educating clients about this." Ms. Levison said that the tenor of opportunity advertisements that detail the upsides but not the job requirements, fueled by the residency rumor mill, exacerbate the expectation disconnect. "When candidates hear that a colleague got a part-time primary care position that pays \$250,000 and requires no call, they think they can ask for that too," she said, pointing out that such positions are rare and likely won't be in desirable urban areas.

"It would be helpful to all of us—residents and recruiters—if residency directors were a bit more in touch with the market and could share that information with young physicians," said Bruce Guyant, regional director of physician recruitment for LifePoint Health's western region. "I think that medical leadership needs to understand better what goes on in smaller communities and rural areas, from the business and market standpoint, because that's where the bulk of the jobs and patients are." Mr. Guyant noted that many of the rural hospital positions he recruits for offer high compensation and financial incentives, but can't be highly flexible in the schedule arena.

The 'Gen-X' factor

It's hard to pinpoint what is driving what appears to be a palpable shift in young physicians' expectations, but it's likely multiple factors. On the positive side, medical residents, like their fellow "Generation X" age peers in other fields, surveys show, appear more aware generally of the importance of avoiding job burnout and jeopardizing their feelings about their work. This particular generation, recruiters and residency directors report, places a commensurately higher value than their older counterparts on having a "quantifiable" work life and reserving defined time for non-work pursuits.

"The duty-hour restrictions [imposed in 2003] probably contributed to this shift," said Gopal Yadavalli, MD, director of the internal medicine residency program at Boston University. "Before, there was this expectation that you 'stay until the work is done,' but people graduating over the last decade have been in a different environment with the 80-hour work weeks and 16-hour shifts. This mindset influences the trainees, and perhaps colors their expectations too." Anecdotally, Dr. Yadavalli notes, he isn't hearing reports from recent graduates about mismatched workload expectations once the physicians get into practice. Those he has heard from, most of whom are in academic positions, "seem quite happy with their schedules," he said, even if some struggle to obtain protected time for non-clinical activities.

The case might be different for internal medicine graduates going into community practice settings, Dr. Yadavalli acknowledged, noting that graduates who choose hospitalist positions appear less satisfied with their schedules and associated demands than those in academic practice.

One upside of the new generation's quest for balance in their work and personal lives — young physicians want to be more available to spouses and children than perhaps their own parents were, and keep a routine workout schedule — might contribute to untenable expectations, observed Craig Fowler, immediate past president of the National Association of Physician Recruiters. "To their credit, this group of young physicians want to be all things to all people. They want to be high-performing clinicians but also show up at their child's soccer games, and be around most nights for dinner," said Mr. Fowler, senior vice president for the recruiting firm Pinnacle Health Group in Atlanta. "That's commendable, but it might not be ideal for the community or organization the physician wants to join."

Several recruiters reported that residents in the specialties generally don't request, or expect, as much in the way of work-life balance accommodations as those in primary care. This might be attributable to the culture in their residencies regarding work expectations, some recruiters ventured, or because they've had more exposure to practice-life realities because of the additional time they spend in training. And in specialties where supply does not outstrip demand, savvy residents might be less inclined to ask for concessions, some sources said.

"We see this more in primary care — physicians starting the conversation with questions about call and the work schedule, and the amount of compensation — than among specialists. The primary care physicians know

that because of the market, they can be very choosy,” said Kathryn Zimmerman, MBA, director of physician network development with Adventist HealthCare in the Maryland region near Washington, DC. “At the same time, I see a lot of passion in these young PCPs and a commitment to good clinical care and outcomes. Still, it is a bit of a turnoff when people lead with special considerations.”

The picture appears to be somewhat different in certain small specialties, where clinical practice and setting specifics might take higher priority than life-style considerations for job-seeking physicians. In child psychiatry, for example, even though the shortage is perennial, physicians might hold out for a type of practice structure, observed Eugene Beresin, MD, a professor of psychiatry at Harvard Medical School and senior medical educator in child and adolescent psychiatry. “Our trainees are seeking positions that enable them to achieve what they went into this field for — to help children and families, and to be able to do some psychotherapy. They’re not wooed by positions that offer no call or high compensation,” Dr. Beresin said. “At the same time, they’re extremely aware of and concerned about the challenges they’ll face in balancing their professional and personal lives.”

What the ads don’t say

The shortages in primary care and some specialties, often underscored by the barrage of communication residents receive about practice opportunities and the tenor of associated advertisements, might be skewing physicians’ expectations about how flexible positions (and employers) might be. Several other sources mentioned the “sky’s-the-limit” advertisements that are becoming commonplace in primary care and the specialties.

“For locations that are challenging to recruit to, we see advertisements that offer not only large sign-on bonuses and inflated starting salaries but also numerous life-style perks,” said Katie Cole, head of Harlequin Recruiting in Denver, which specializes in the neurosciences. “Candidates coming out of training are bombarded by these offers and think that they’re able to hold out for every item on their wish list. But that’s not the case when the opportunities are in high-demand, desirable areas.”

How and when to ask

While most physicians are gracious in making their requests, even if their “wish list” is a tad extensive, some are too aggressive and demanding, some recruiters maintain. Recruiters, and likely employers too, take issue with candidates who lead with the money card — asking for compensation above the median — but don’t appear willing to perhaps work extra hours in exchange or let go of other work-life balance requests such as preferred work-week or call schedules.

A more appropriate approach to requesting work-life balance accommodations, Ms. Levison advises, is for candidates to first state what they bring to the table and in skills and qualifications, before divulging the wish list. Then, she added, physicians should be prepared to offer something to counter their request. “If a candidate doesn’t want to work five days because she wants the fifth day for family, but is willing to work three or four long days, that will get the attention of groups that want to staff longer on weeknights or flex their staffing,” she said.

What doesn’t work, all recruiters interviewed agreed, is when candidates propose a lopsided arrangement with no give and take, from the start. Even worse, perhaps, is a candidate who goes through several conversations and a site interview before dropping a laundry list of work-life balance requirements on the table when an offer is imminent. In any conversation with a recruiter or prospective employer, physicians should be gracious, first and foremost, and should err on the side of appearing flexible, not rigid. “It’s best to leave your demanding attitude at home,” Ms. Levison said. (See “Do’s and don’ts” at the end of the article.)

“When I recruit for internal medicine and family practice positions, many candidates today tell me exactly what they want in terms of work-life balance,” said Mr. Kashnig. “So sometimes I have to counter by letting them know what we can accommodate and what we can’t — and that we’ll adapt within reason.” For example, Dean Medical Group has structured its primary care practices to allow for part-time practice (a minimum of three-quarters time) and job sharing, where feasible. However, all physicians must work some evening or Saturday hours, and take very limited call.

What the medical group won’t accommodate, Mr. Kashnig points out, are patently unreasonable requests — such as four-day work weeks, with Friday off, and no evenings or call. “Most physicians are civil, but we do occasionally run into graduates who want more [compensation] than we can

CLINICAL PRACTICE

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Initial Treatment of Hypertension

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This Journal feature begins with a case vignette highlighting a common clinical problem. Evidence supporting various strategies is then presented, followed by a review of formal guidelines, when they exist. The article ends with the author's clinical recommendations.

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A 56-year-old woman presents for elevated blood pressure, which was noted at a job-site screening. She has gained 20 lb (9.1 kg) during the past 5 years and takes naproxen sodium (at a dose of 220 mg daily) for joint pain. She has never smoked, and she consumes one or two alcoholic drinks daily. Both of her parents received a diagnosis of hypertension in their 50s. On examination, the blood pressure is 162/94 mm Hg in both arms while the patient is seated and 150/96 mm Hg while the patient is standing. The body-mass index (the weight in kilograms divided by the square of the height in meters) is 29. Her examination is notable only for abdominal obesity without bruits or masses. The serum level of sodium is 138 mmol per liter, potassium 3.8 mmol per liter, calcium 9.4 mg per deciliter (2.35 mmol per liter), fasting glucose 105 mg per deciliter (5.8 mmol per liter), and creatinine 0.8 mg per deciliter (71 μmol per liter). Urinalysis is negative. How would you further evaluate and treat this patient?

THE CLINICAL PROBLEM

HYPERTENSION, THE ELEVATION OF SYSTOLIC BLOOD PRESSURE, DIASTOLIC blood pressure, or both above normal levels, is common in developed and developing countries and increases in prevalence with age. The threshold blood pressure for the diagnosis has declined over time on the basis of trials showing benefits of treatment to incrementally lower blood-pressure targets in reducing mortality and cardiovascular-event rates.¹ Although in recent years hypertension has been defined as a blood pressure of 140/90 mm Hg or more, the 2017 American College of Cardiology–American Heart Association (ACC–AHA) Hypertension Guideline adopted a lower threshold, in which hypertension is defined as a systolic blood pressure of 130 mm Hg or more or a diastolic blood pressure of 80 mm Hg or more (Table 1).² Among adults in the United States, the overall prevalence of hypertension was 31.9% under the previous definition (blood pressure, ≥140/90 mm Hg) and is 45.6% according to the 2017 ACC–AHA guideline definition (blood pressure, ≥130/80 mm Hg).³ Similarly, the rate of hypertension control was 61.0% among those receiving treatment at a target of less than 140/90 mm Hg but only 46.6% at a target of less than 130/80 mm Hg.³

Hypertension is a leading risk factor for death and disability, including stroke, accelerated coronary and systemic atherosclerosis, heart failure, chronic kidney disease, and death from cardiovascular causes (Fig. 1). From 1990 through 2015, the estimated global annual rate of death associated with a systolic blood pressure of 140 mm Hg or more increased from 97.9 to 106.3 per 100,000 persons, where-

pay or aren’t willing to work with our schedules. And if their expectations are unreasonable, we tell them,” he said, adding that a demanding attitude in a new graduate is a definite “red flag.”

Work-life balance requests: Do’s and don’ts

Most medical practices and health care organizations will try to grant highly qualified physician candidates’ requests for part-time schedules or other accommodations, within reason and to the extent feasible, provided the physician is willing to give something in return and the request doesn’t conflict with established culture.

In these discussions, as in anything that involves potentially complex or sensitive negotiation, there’s an etiquette of sorts. Recruiters who shared their perspectives for this article offered additional guidance for candidates on how to navigate these discussions.

Share your strengths before asking for accommodations. “What recruiters want to hear, before making concessions, is that is that you’re highly qualified and committed to your specialty but also willing to put down roots, grow the practice, and cultivate patient loyalty,” said Ms. Zimmerman.

Articulate what’s important. Decide what’s most important — is it a three-day work week or very limited night call because of family considerations? — and lead with that, Mr. Guyant advises. “Many candidates, when I ask what’s most important or less important besides compensation, and why, can’t always tell me.”

Broach the big-picture or “must-have” needs early, before interviews start. Timing is important, Ms. Streicher reminds candidates, to avoid wasting anyone’s time. “It’s best to be open, early on, particularly if you want a part-time schedule, so that the recruiter can make a good match. And do ask questions about the job’s fixed requirements, before you talk to anyone in leadership,” she said.

Be prepared to pare your wish list — and keep it short. “You won’t get 100 percent of what you want in schedule or life-style accommodations, so don’t shoot for the moon. And do rate and rank your priorities, ideally before you start exploring opportunities,” Mr. Fowler advises

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KEY CLINICAL POINTS

INITIAL TREATMENT OF HYPERTENSION

- The 2017 ACC–AHA Hypertension Guideline redefines hypertension as a systolic blood pressure of 130 mm Hg or more or a diastolic blood pressure of 80 mm Hg or more and lowers the blood-pressure target to less than 130/80 mm Hg.
- This blood-pressure target is supported by the SPRINT trial, which showed lower hypertension-associated morbidity and all-cause mortality with a systolic blood-pressure target of less than 120 mm Hg than with a target of less than 140 mm Hg; electrolyte abnormalities, syncope, and acute kidney injury were more common in the lower-target group.
- The initial assessment should consider coexisting conditions, including cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, chronic kidney disease, and elevated risk of cardiovascular disease, in determining when to start blood-pressure–lowering medication.
- Recommended lifestyle modifications include restriction of dietary sodium intake, weight loss if the patient is overweight, exercise, moderation of alcohol intake, and increased consumption of potassium-rich foods.
- The initial antihypertensive agent should generally be selected from one of four drug classes shown to reduce cardiovascular events: ACE inhibitors, angiotensin-receptor blockers, calcium-channel blockers, and thiazide-type diuretics.
- Repeat visits are required to ensure ongoing hypertension control.

Table 1. Classification of Blood Pressure in Adults.*

Blood-Pressure Category	Definition
Normal	Systolic pressure of <120 mm Hg and diastolic pressure of <80 mm Hg
Elevated	Systolic pressure of 120–129 mm Hg and diastolic pressure of <80 mm Hg
Hypertension	
Stage 1	Systolic pressure of 130–139 mm Hg or diastolic pressure of 80–89 mm Hg
Stage 2	Systolic pressure of ≥140 mm Hg or diastolic pressure of ≥90 mm Hg

* Definitions are derived from the 2017 American College of Cardiology–American Heart Association Hypertension Guideline.² Persons with systolic blood pressure and diastolic blood pressure in different categories should be designated in the higher blood-pressure category. Diagnosis is based on the average of two or more readings taken on two or more occasions.

as the number of disability-adjusted life-years increased from 5.2 million to 7.8 million.⁴

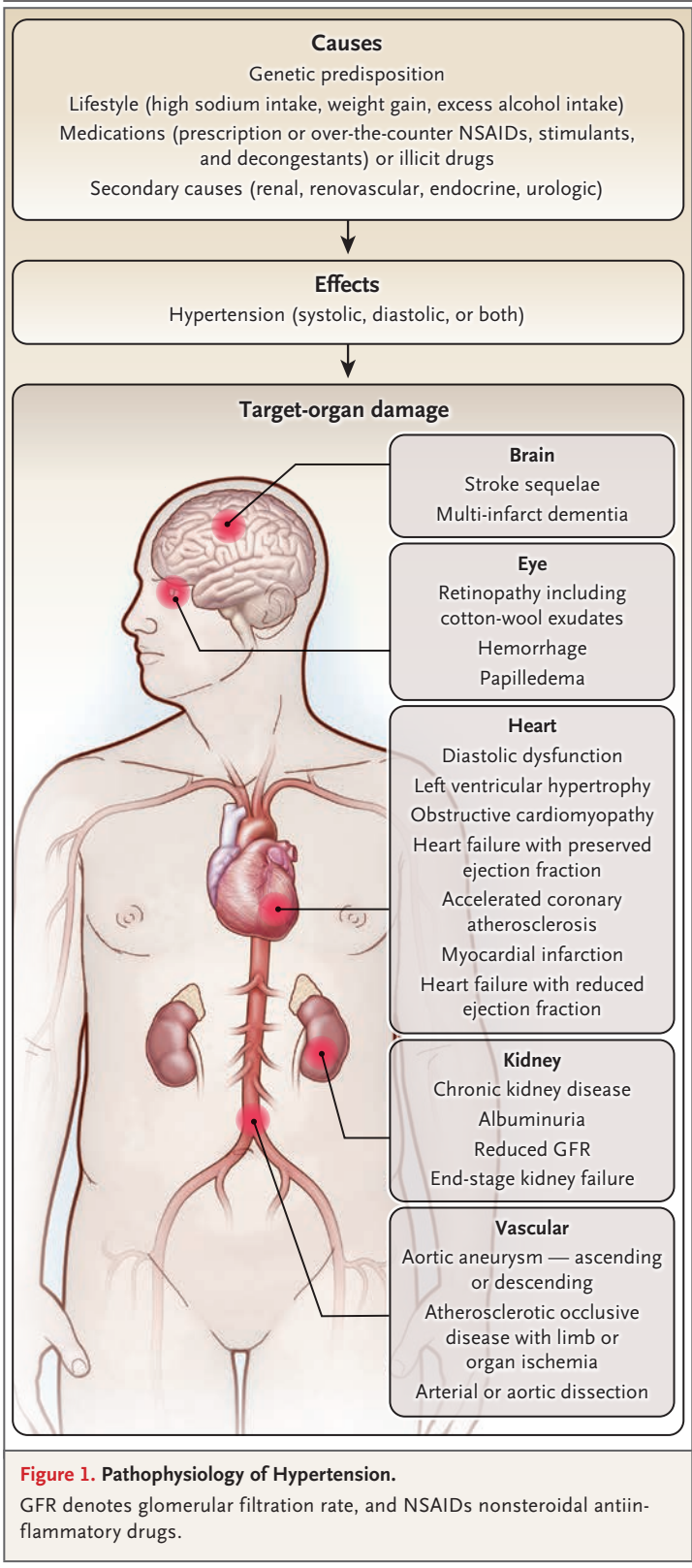
Lifestyle factors that are associated with an increased risk of hypertension and greater severity include high sodium intake,⁵ weight gain and obesity,⁶ excess alcohol intake,⁷ and the use of certain medications, particularly nonsteroidal antiinflammatory drugs (NSAIDs), stimulants, and decongestants. There is often a genetic predisposition that is probably polygenic for most persons. Hypertension that manifests during pregnancy as preeclampsia or gestational hypertension is associated with an increased likelihood of future sustained hypertension and cardiovascular events.⁸

STRATEGIES AND EVIDENCE

EVALUATION

The first step is to confirm the diagnosis of hypertension. Guidelines recommend at least two blood-pressure measurements on at least two occasions with the use of a standardized measurement technique and validated equipment, including a cuff of correct size.² Measurements should be made with the back supported, legs uncrossed, feet on the floor, and the measurement arm supported on a table at heart level after the patient has sat quietly for 5 minutes.

Current methods rely on aneroid sphygmomanometers or oscillometric devices in which



blood pressure is calculated from maximal oscillations of the blood-vessel wall during cuff deflation (defined as mean arterial pressure), with systolic and diastolic pressures calculated with the use of proprietary algorithms.⁹ Automated devices that take two to six serial measurements and determine the mean are increasingly used in outpatient clinics, and the readings correlate closely with those of ambulatory blood-pressure monitoring while the patient is awake.¹⁰ These devices allow an attendant to place the cuff and leave the room, minimizing the “white coat” effect (i.e., blood pressure elevated in the office but normal outside).

Masked hypertension should be considered when office blood pressures are controlled but the patient has elevated home measurements or a greater severity of hypertension-associated target-organ damage than expected. Ambulatory blood-pressure monitoring is useful in assessing these possibilities; if such monitoring is unavailable or for measurements obtained over several days, home blood-pressure monitoring is an alternative.¹¹

Once the diagnosis is confirmed, a careful history taking should assess coexisting conditions and contributing factors, including lifestyle practices, other cardiovascular risk factors that are associated with hypertension, and features to suggest a secondary cause of hypertension. A gradual rise in blood pressure that is associated with weight gain, in combination with a positive family history, supports primary hypertension, whereas severe or resistant hypertension, accelerated target-organ damage, or other symptoms or signs suggest a secondary cause that merits further testing and referral (Table S1 in the Supplementary Appendix, available with the full text of this article at NEJM.org). The physical examination should include cardiac and vascular evaluation and assessment of target-organ damage (Fig. 1). A thigh blood-pressure measurement is recommended for adults younger than 30 years of age to exclude aortic coarctation, and blood-pressure measurement while the patient is standing is recommended for older adults to assess orthostatic blood-pressure changes.

Initial laboratory testing should assess for coexisting conditions that may affect the patient’s response to medication and assess for target-organ damage. Such testing includes assessment

of serum levels of sodium, potassium, calcium, uric acid, creatinine (with estimated glomerular filtration rate), hemoglobin, and thyrotropin; a lipid profile; urinalysis; and electrocardiography. Patients with diabetes mellitus or chronic kidney disease should have the urinary albumin-to-creatinine ratio checked initially and annually.

MANAGEMENT

Treatment of hypertension includes nonpharmacologic and pharmacologic approaches. Treatment decisions depend on whether there is preexisting cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, or chronic kidney disease. For patients with stage 1 hypertension and without these conditions, the 2017 ACC–AHA guideline recommends calculation of the estimated 10-year risk of cardiovascular disease (<http://tools.acc.org/ASCVD-Risk-Estimator/>).² If this risk is less than 10%, it is reasonable to implement lifestyle modifications alone for a period of 3 to 6 months. For those with stage 2 hypertension or with preexisting cardiovascular disease, diabetes mellitus, chronic kidney disease, or a 10-year risk of cardiovascular disease of 10% or higher, both lifestyle change and medication are recommended. For all patients with hypertension, a blood-pressure target of less than 130/80 mm Hg is advised.

Lifestyle Changes

Recommended strategies include restriction of dietary sodium intake below 1500 mg per day,^{12,13} weight loss if the patient is overweight or obese,¹⁴ aerobic or resistance exercise for 90 to 150 minutes per week,^{15,16} moderation of alcohol intake (≤ 2 drinks daily for men and ≤ 1 drink for women),^{17,18} and enhanced intake of potassium-rich foods.¹⁹ Each of these strategies is likely to reduce systolic pressure by 3 to 8 mm Hg and diastolic pressure by 1 to 4 mm Hg.²⁰ The Dietary Approaches to Stop Hypertension (DASH) diet, which emphasizes the consumption of fresh produce, whole grains, and low-fat dairy products and which limits sodium intake, was associated with a reduction of 11.4/5.5 mm Hg in blood pressure, as compared with a control diet.²¹ Patients should be encouraged to minimize the use of NSAIDs, decongestants, and amphetamines (as used for attention deficit–hyperactivity disorder). Other behaviors that are associated

with cardiovascular risk, including tobacco use and a sedentary lifestyle, should also be addressed.

Evidence Supporting Pharmacologic Therapy

Multiple clinical trials — including (but not limited to) the Veterans Administration Cooperative Study^{22,23} (focusing on diastolic hypertension), the Systolic Hypertension in the Elderly Program trial,²⁴ and the Systolic Hypertension in Europe trial²⁵ — have shown that blood pressure can be effectively reduced by medications and that doing so results in a reduced incidence of target-organ events.

Other trials have compared first-line therapies with the use of different drug classes.^{26,27} The Antihypertensive and Lipid-Lowering Treatment to Prevent Heart Attack Trial (ALLHAT) randomly assigned more than 40,000 patients at high cardiovascular risk to initial therapy with chlorthalidone, amlodipine, lisinopril, or doxazosin and allowed additional medications to achieve a blood pressure of less than 140/90 mm Hg.²⁷ The doxazosin group was stopped early owing to a higher incidence of heart failure. Chlorthalidone-based therapy resulted in lower blood-pressure levels than the other agents, fewer heart-failure events than amlodipine, and fewer combined cardiovascular events, strokes, and heart-failure events than lisinopril.

More recently, the Systolic Blood Pressure Intervention Trial (SPRINT) randomly assigned 9361 persons with a systolic blood pressure of 130 to 180 mm Hg and high cardiovascular risk to a systolic blood-pressure target of either less than 120 mm Hg or less than 140 mm Hg.²⁸ The trial was stopped early after 3.3 years for demonstrated benefit of the lower blood-pressure target with respect to the primary composite outcome (myocardial infarction, other acute coronary syndromes, stroke, heart failure, or death from cardiovascular causes) (hazard ratio, 0.75; 95% confidence interval [CI], 0.64 to 0.89) and all-cause mortality (hazard ratio, 0.73; 95% CI, 0.60 to 0.90). Patients in the intensive-treatment group required an average of one additional medication (2.8 drugs, as compared with 1.8 for standard treatment).

The Action to Control Cardiovascular Risk in Diabetes (ACCORD) trial, with a trial design nearly identical to that of SPRINT but involving

4733 participants with type 2 diabetes, showed no significant benefit for the lower blood-pressure target with respect to the primary outcome, although there was a significant difference in the incidence of stroke that favored the lower target.²⁹ A possible contributor to the negative results of the ACCORD trial was the power of the trial, with fewer events than predicted in the group with a higher blood-pressure target.

Drug Selection

The initial agent can be selected from one of four drug classes: angiotensin-converting–enzyme (ACE) inhibitors, angiotensin-receptor blockers (ARBs), calcium-channel blockers, and thiazide-type diuretics; each class has been shown to reduce cardiovascular events (Table 2).²⁷ The patient's lifestyle, coexisting conditions, and clinical characteristics should be considered in selecting an agent. For example, patients with a high salt intake (e.g., eating primarily processed foods) may have a greater blood-pressure reduction with diuretic therapy, whereas those restricting salt intake may have a greater response to blockade of the renin–angiotensin system. This approach has been extended by some providers to use the patient's age and race as predictors of blood-pressure response³⁰ and by others to use renin profiling for drug selection,³¹ although data are not conclusive.

Caution is advised with thiazide use in patients 65 years of age or older, particularly in women³² and in patients of either sex who have hyponatremia or a low normal sodium level at baseline; in such patients, the serum level of sodium should be checked within 1 to 2 weeks after a thiazide diuretic has been started or the dose has been increased. If hyponatremia develops, an agent from a different class can be selected. If a diuretic is needed later, a long-acting loop diuretic can be used.

ACE inhibitors are effective and have an acceptable side-effect profile in most patients, although cough develops in up to 20% of patients.³³ Angioedema is an infrequent complication overall but is two to four times as common among blacks as among whites (estimated incidence, 3.9 cases per 1000 person-years among blacks and 0.8 cases among whites).³⁴ If angioedema occurs, an ARB can usually be substituted. Thiazide-type diuretics or calcium-channel blockers were more effective than ACE inhibitors as first-

line agents for black patients with hypertension in ALLHAT.²⁷ However, calcium-channel blockers are associated with additional side effects, primarily edema for the dihydropyridine agents (nifedipine, amlodipine, and others) and constipation for the nondihydropyridines (verapamil and diltiazem). In most cases, these agents are better used for add-on therapy if blood pressure remains uncontrolled. (Table S2 in the Supplementary Appendix provides information on other agents that may be used for blood-pressure control.)

Patients with certain coexisting conditions may benefit from specific agents (Table 2, and Table S2 in the Supplementary Appendix). For example, sustained-release beta-blockers are indicated in patients with congestive heart failure, after myocardial infarction, for arrhythmias, and for migraine prophylaxis and will also treat the patient's hypertension. An ACE inhibitor or ARB should be prescribed for most patients with chronic kidney disease with albuminuria, with referral to a nephrologist for advanced chronic kidney disease (stage 3b or higher).

If the first agent that is selected has unacceptable side effects, it should be discontinued and an agent from a different drug class should be started. If the selected agent has an acceptable side-effect profile but is not effective, the dose may be increased or a second agent with a complementary mechanism of action can be added. In a recent meta-analysis, dual therapy involving at least one agent at a low dose had similar efficacy to that of higher-dose monotherapy but had fewer adverse effects.³⁵ The use of combination agents can reduce pill burden and shorten the time needed to reach blood-pressure goals; however, it may be prudent to use combination agents only after one component has been shown to have an acceptable side-effect profile in the patient, because an adverse reaction would potentially remove both agents as treatment options.

Additional Considerations

The need to take daily medications for a condition that is usually asymptomatic is challenging for many patients, particularly if they have adverse effects associated with a medication. A recent SPRINT substudy showed no significant differences between the intensive-therapy and standard-therapy groups in quality-of-life measures.³⁶ Electronic-monitoring data indicate that

Table 2. Initial Choices for Antihypertensive Agents and Usual Doses.*					
Drug Class and Primary Agents	Usual Dose	Indications	Cautions and Side Effects		
Thiazide-type diuretics					
Chlorthalidone	12.5–25 mg once daily	First-line therapy or add-on as second or third agent	Hyponatremia (more likely in older women), hypokalemia, orthostatic hypotension, hypovolemia		
Hydrochlorothiazide	12.5–50 mg once daily				
Indapamide	1.25–2.5 mg once daily				
ACE inhibitors					
Benazepril	5–80 mg/day, in one or two doses	First-line therapy or add-on as second or third agent; CKD with albuminuria; congestive heart failure; after myocardial infarction	Do not use in combination with ARB or direct renin inhibitor; hyperkalemia; may cause serum creatinine elevation in patients with CKD or bilateral renal-artery stenosis; angioedema is infrequent but is 2 to 4 times as common among blacks as among whites; contraindicated in pregnancy		
Fosinopril	10–80 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Lisinopril	5–40 mg once daily				
Moexipril	7.5–30 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Perindopril	4–16 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Quinapril	10–80 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Ramipril	2.5–20 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Trandolapril	2–8 mg/day, in one or two doses				
ARBs					
Azilsartan	40–80 mg once daily			First-line therapy or add-on as second or third agent; CKD with albuminuria; congestive heart failure; after myocardial infarction; alternative for patients with chronic cough or ACE-inhibitor–associated cough	Do not use in combination with ACE inhibitor or direct renin inhibitor; hyperkalemia; may cause serum creatinine elevation in patients with CKD or bilateral renal-artery stenosis; contraindicated in pregnancy
Candesartan	8–32 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Eprosartan	600 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Irbesartan	150–300 mg once daily				
Losartan	25–100 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Olmesartan	20–40 mg once daily				
Telmisartan	20–80 mg once daily				
Valsartan	80–320 mg once daily				
Calcium-channel blockers					
Dihydropyridine type					
Amlodipine	2.5–10 mg once daily	First-line therapy or add-on as second or third agent; no effect on serum creatinine level; minimal effect on cardiac output	Edema of the legs and feet; may worsen proteinuria; may worsen left ventricular outflow tract obstruction		
Felodipine	2.5–10 mg once daily				
Isradipine	5–10 mg/day, in two doses				
Nicardipine ER	5–20 mg once daily				
Nifedipine ER	30–120 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Nisoldipine ER	17–34 mg once daily				
Nisoldipine ER, core coated	20–60 mg once daily				
Nondihydropyridine type					
Diltiazem SR	180–360 mg/day, in two doses	Tachycardia, left ventricular outflow tract obstruction, hyperdynamic cardiac function, migraine prophylaxis	Constipation; heart block if used in combination with beta-blocker		
Diltiazem ER	120–480 mg once daily				
Verapamil SR	120–480 mg/day, in one or two doses				
Verapamil delayed-onset ER	100–480 mg once daily				

* ACE denotes angiotensin-converting enzyme, ARB angiotensin-receptor blocker, CKD chronic kidney disease, ER extended release, and SR sustained release.

adherence rates decline as the number of medications and overall pill burden rises: 79% for one daily dose, 69% for two doses, 65% for three doses, and 51% for four doses.³⁷ Nonpharmacologic therapy requires a strong ongoing commitment to be effective. Ultimately, the best strategies combine lifestyle efforts with medical therapies to achieve greater effect with the use of fewer medications and lower doses. Dose adjustment is recommended until blood-pressure goals are achieved, with interval laboratory testing to monitor for electrolyte disturbances or decline in renal function. Home blood-pressure measurements should be encouraged, although data are lacking to show that they improve blood-pressure control.^{38,39} Home monitors should be checked annually for accuracy, and the technique for their use should be reviewed regularly. Inclusion of a nurse or pharmacist in the care team may facilitate more timely addition of new agents or adjustment of the dose when indicated.

AREAS OF UNCERTAINTY

There is continued debate regarding preferred blood-pressure targets and the benefits and risks of lower targets. In SPRINT, it was necessary to treat 61 patients at the lower systolic target of less than 120 mm Hg (vs. 140 mm Hg) to prevent one additional cardiovascular event and to treat 90 patients to prevent one additional death over a period of 3.26 years. Such estimates will vary with the absolute individual level of cardiovascular risk. Attendant costs of tight blood-pressure control warrant consideration, including higher rates of serious adverse events (hypotension, electrolyte abnormalities, syncope, and acute kidney injury) with intensive treatment than with standard treatment in SPRINT and additional pill burden. There is particular concern about harms of tight control in elderly persons, although a SPRINT substudy⁴⁰ involving patients 75 years of age or older showed significant benefit with the systolic blood-pressure target of less than 120 mm Hg, with absolute rates of and relative risks of hypotension, syncope, and electrolyte abnormalities that were similar to those in the overall SPRINT population; this substudy extended the benefits seen in an earlier trial involving elderly persons with

a systolic blood-pressure target of less than 150 mm Hg.⁴¹ Failure to measure blood pressure correctly may produce higher office readings and limit achievement of blood-pressure targets.

In addition, evidence is lacking to show that tight control prevents the progression of chronic kidney disease. Studies of blockers of the renin–angiotensin system have shown slowing of diabetic nephropathy,^{42–44} yet such agents have not slowed the progression of chronic kidney disease in patients without albuminuria,^{45–47} a finding that suggests the need for new approaches for this patient population.

GUIDELINES

In 2013, the National Heart, Lung, and Blood Institute transferred the development of hypertension guidelines to the ACC and the AHA. The 2017 ACC–AHA guideline replaces the 2014 guideline of the Eighth Joint National Committee on the Prevention, Detection, Evaluation, and Treatment of High Blood Pressure,⁴⁸ which was completed before the publication of SPRINT. (Blood-pressure targets of these and other guidelines are summarized in Table S3 in the Supplementary Appendix.) Recommendations in the present article are generally concordant with the 2017 ACC–AHA guideline.

CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The patient in the vignette probably has primary hypertension, with a positive family history and contributing lifestyle factors, including weight gain and NSAID use. Her alcohol intake, at more than one drink per day, may be a contributor. I would initiate single-agent therapy for her stage 2 hypertension and encourage lifestyle changes, including sodium restriction, weight reduction, and discontinuation of contributing medications; attention to the lipid profile and glucose level is also warranted. A thiazide-type diuretic or ACE inhibitor is a reasonable first agent to prescribe, with follow-up blood-pressure and electrolyte measurements in 3 to 4 weeks. Dose increases and additional medications may be needed. I would recommend regular visits during dose adjustment, combined with home blood-pressure measure-

ments; lifestyle factors and medication adherence should be assessed at each visit. Once her blood pressure is at goal (<130/80 mm Hg), I would recommend follow-up at 6-month intervals.

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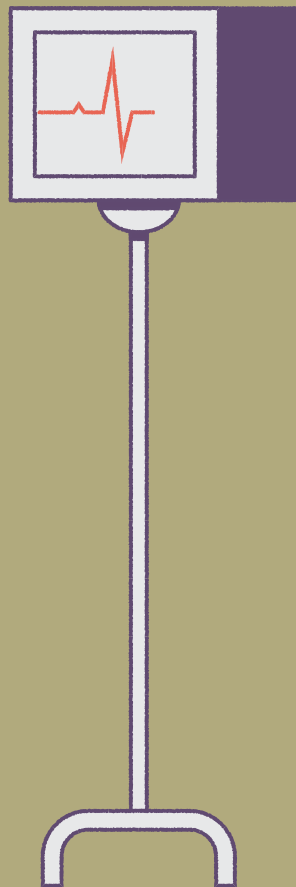
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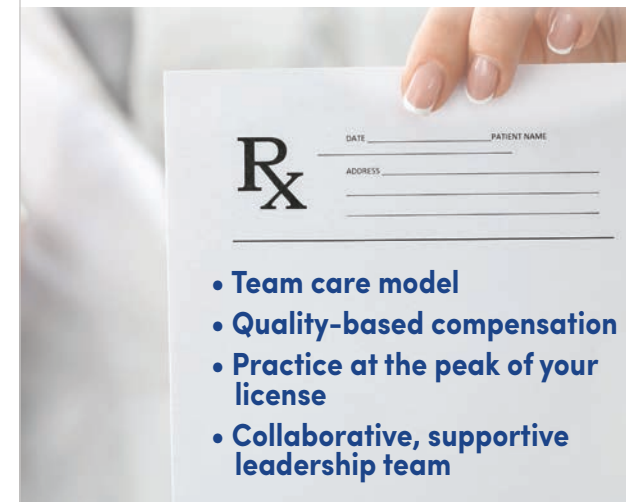
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HWCOC offers the Doctor of Medicine (MD) degree; a combined MD and Professional MBA degree in Healthcare Management; a Ph.D. in Biomedical Sciences; a Master in Physician Assistant Studies (MPAS); a Certificate in Molecular and Biomedical Sciences; and an international graduate certificate program. In fall 2017, the MD program enrolled 480 students, the MPAS program 45 students, and the Ph.D. program 14 students. These students are taught by a diverse faculty, including 96 full-time and 79 part-time clinical faculty, 1,830 community-based clinical faculty and 57 full-time, 6 part-time, and 21 community based basic science faculty. HWCOC's growing research enterprise conducts basic, applied, translational, clinical and interdisciplinary research that leverages South Florida's diverse demographics, improves the health of the South Florida community, and aligns with national global health trends.

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