

Duke's Pathway Evaluation Program

What is it?

- Duke's School of Medicine created an online pathway assessment tool. By identifying and weighting critical factors (what's important to you in your career), it generates a suggested list of specialties for you to explore.

How to use the tool:

- Complete the assessment tool.
- Read the specialty and critical factor profiles included about each option.
- Share your responses with individuals whose opinions you appreciate, including your college advisor, mentors, friends, family and faculty.

One more thing:

- Please know that just because a specialty is rated lower than you'd expect using this tool doesn't mean that you should discount it. This tool is just a useful starting point to jumpstart your reflection and career exploration process. Read about the day to day responsibilities, critical factors, and professional experiences/opportunities for **every** specialty of interest to you.

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for Medical Professionals

STEP 1 Self-Assessment

Clinical Decision-Making: On what basis do you prefer to make clinical decisions?
Application of theory to a situation (1) to Based on prior evidence of clinical outcomes (10). Slider at 4.

Patient Decision-Making: To what extent would you prefer for your patients to have an opportunity to have input into decisions about their health care?
Little opportunity (1) to Great deal of opportunity (10). Slider at 7.

Interacting with Other Physicians/Members of Health-Care Team: To what extent do you prefer to interact with other physicians / members of a health care team?
Very little (1) to A great deal (10). Slider at 5.5.

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STEP 1 Self-Assessment

Not at all important (1) to Very important (5)

Income Satisfaction: Slider at 3

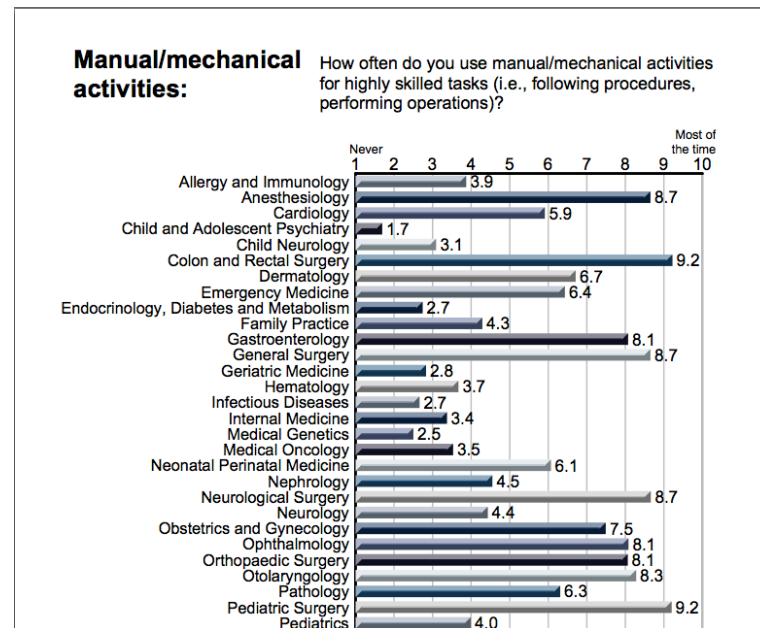
Creativity: Slider at 4

Certainty of Outcomes: Slider at 3

Basis for Clinical Decision Making: Slider at 2

Patient Involvement in Health Care Decisions: Slider at 3

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STEP 3 Specialty Compatibility

Neurology	22.83
Hematology	23.87
Medical Oncology	26.6
Rheumatology	26.73
Child Neurology	27.5
Pulmonary / Critical Care Medicine	28.88
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	29.27
Gastroenterology	29.37
Nephrology	29.44
Infectious Diseases	30.03
Pediatrics	30.05
Orthopaedic Surgery	30.19
Sports Medicine	30.88
Geriatric Medicine	30.92
Cardiology	31.12
Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism	31.25
Medical Genetics	32
Family Practice	32.15
Allergy and Immunology	32.22
Neonatal - Perinatal Medicine	32.42
Urology	32.81
Otolaryngology	32.89
Plastic Surgery	33.02
Radiation Oncology	33.11
Vascular Surgery	33.7
Neurological Surgery	34.85
Colon and Rectal Surgery	35.51
Internal Medicine	35.54
Gastroenterology	36.52
General Surgery	36.52
Ophthalmology	38.94
Thoracic Surgery	40.63
Psychiatry	40.8
Preventive Medicine	43.94
Vascular and Interventional Radiology	45.34
Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	45.77
Dermatology	46.07
Pediatric Surgery	47.31
Anesthesiology	59.56
Emergency Medicine	65.92
Obstetrics and Gynecology	80.3
Pathology	98.73
Radiology - Diagnostic	111.35

Reminder: Lower numbers reflect a close alignment with a specialty, whereas higher numbers reflect a wider discrepancy between your Critical Factor ratings and those of practicing physicians.

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