

Could a career in healthcare be right for you?

Information for speaker/teacher

Resources required: Computer with a projector, big screen and audio or interactive whiteboard set up with internet access and audio.

Note: To view the website the following software and updates are required:

- Adobe Flash Player Version 8 or above
- Adobe Acrobat Reader to open documents in PDF format

Talk Objectives:

- Introduce the tasteofmedicine.com website.
- Encourage students to move into higher education.
- Have an appreciation of the huge variety of careers in the National Health Service (NHS) specifically the healthcare professions.
- Challenge the stereotypical views of healthcare university courses and careers.

Introduction: (6 mins)

- This website I'm about to show you is all about healthcare and covers subjects like:-
 - Why you might like to study for a career in health.
 - The huge variety of jobs in healthcare.
 - What being at university and the jobs themselves are like.
- It was made by St George's, University of London.
- It is important to understand about careers before choosing your options for Y10 and Y11.
- It's a fun interactive website that you can access online at any time. It also offers advice on where to go next if you think a career in healthcare might be something you would want to do and also where to find more information.

Before you get to the website you could ask the group a few questions to introduce them to and get them thinking about the topics to be covered.

1) **How many of you have thought about a career in the healthcare professions?**

2) **How many different healthcare jobs do you think there are?**

A) 10 B) 20 C) 30 D) 50 E) More than 50

Correct answer is E - there are at least 70 different healthcare jobs in the NHS alone.

Demonstration: (18 mins)

Important Note: Medical emergency interactive questions can appear at any time like a real emergency...if it happens during your talk perhaps ask a student from the year to answer them. They can ask for help from the people sitting next to them. Click on their answers and see the response. Then return to where you were in the plan below.

START

CLICK ON.....*Why Study for a Career in Health?* Let videos play.

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« Shot in medicine »

• Why study for a career in health?

NAME
Georgina Chase
Radiographer

Skip

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Stop thinking you can't and start believing you can!

Clip No
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Main Menu

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When **Question quiz** appears perhaps ask the students what their answer is by a show of hands...click on the majority verdict.

LET IT CONTINUE.....It plays **What's stopping you?** and ends with a list of varied jobs in healthcare other than doctor.

Next CLICK ON....section 7...

The screenshot shows an interactive quiz interface. At the top left is the St George's University of London logo. At the top right is a 'close' button. The main content area features a quiz titled 'Why study for a career in health?' with a 'SALARY' category. The current question is 'IS THIS SALARY RIGHT' with a value of £18,500. Below the question are two buttons: 'HIGHER' and 'LOWER'. A host character is visible on the right. At the bottom, there is a 'Main Menu' button, a progress indicator showing 7 out of 10 questions, and 'PREVIOUS' and 'NEXT' navigation buttons.

When **Salary quiz** appears why not ask the students what their answer is by a show of hands...click on the majority verdict.

Next CLICK ON.....MAIN MENU.....Then CLICK ON.....*What's it Like?*.... let it play.

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Getting Started

{ an introduction to careers in the health professions }

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Please Click on one of the buttons below to start exploring

- > Why study for a career in health?
- > What's it like?
- > Where do I start?

Other Stuff

- > Games
- > Video Profiles
- > Contact Us

Once section 1 is over go straight to section 4 (next step below)

CLICK ON..... section 4



Let the videos play (“Healthcare is not just about working in hospitals!!”)

Next CLICK ON.....MAIN MENU.

Closing: (6 mins)

Explain this is a whistle stop tour of the website and there’s much more to see and do e.g. student’s videos, interactive games etc.

Ask if they have any questions and try and answer them.

Highlight the **Where Do I Start** section, if they want more advice/ information.

If students have any questions there is a 'contact us' section on the website - students should be encouraged to do this if they have any questions.

Very important: Students can look at the site online anytime at www.tasteofmedicine.com and can work through the site on their own or with friends.