Medical Student Perspective of General Practice
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General Practice at Imperial

- 2nd Year
  - 2 sessions
- 3rd Year
  - Weekly session (30 weeks)
  - GP placement for 10 weeks (pilot scheme)
- 5th Year
  - 3 weeks
- 6th Year
  - 3 weeks
Imperial Learning Objectives

- **Year 2**
  - Attend your allocated GP sessions and practise presenting a history to your GP tutor
  - Review discharge reports in the hospital and GP setting

- **Year 3**
  - Take, record, and summarise a patient's medical history - talking to relatives or other carers where appropriate
  - Make accurate observations of clinical phenomena

- **Year 5**
  - Describe the presentation, assessment and basic management of common acute and chronic diseases in primary care
  - Practise your skills in taking a focused history, making a working diagnosis and agreeing an appropriate shared management plan with the patient.

- **Year 6**
  - Conduct consultations from beginning to end with minimal prompting
  - Demonstrate an ability to integrate good communication with sound clinical reasoning and intelligent decision making
50% of medical students need to become GPs

2013: 20% of FY2s chose a career in GP

2015: 17% of FY2s chose a career in GP

2014 (Nationally): 28% of students ranked GP as first choice career

2014 (Imperial College London): 13% of students ranked GP as first choice career
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Encouraging GP as a Career

- Student GP societies
- GP representation on admissions panel
- Increasing community-based teaching
- Involving more GPs in campus-based teaching
- Increasing funding of UG placements in GP
- Increasing proportion of exam questions in primary care setting
Events

Talks

Debates

EMQ Sessions

Audit

Courses
Looking to the Future

- GP VTS Mentors
- Inter-speciality Debate
- Mock OSPEs for 2nd Years
- Mock OSCEs for 3rd Years
- Mock PACES for 5th Years
References


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