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Interview Questions

Questions the Interviewer may ask the interviewee:

- 1. What would the technical and support staff you work with say about you?
- 2. Why are you interested in this practice specifically? This geographic location? Do you have a local support network such as friends/family? Anything that anchors you to this area?
- 3. Do you prefer free style dictations or template reports? What are the strengths and weaknesses of each?
- 4. What sorts of leadership positions have you been in? How are you becoming a better leader?
- 5. Do you consider yourself an overcaller or undercaller when it comes to interpreting exams?
- 6. How do you feel about communicating results directly to patients?
- 7. What do you feel is the biggest issue facing radiology?
- 8. What modalities/procedures are you willing/not willing to do? Why? Would you be willing to brush up?
- 9. Were you Chief Resident or not? If not, why not? (hardball Hopkins neuro fellowship behavioral interview question)
- 10. Which are you comfortable reading: x-Ray, CT, MR, US, Body, MSK, Mammo, Neuro, Nucs. Anything you are not comfortable reading?
- 11. How have you dealt with a difficult person in the working environment?
- 12. How have you dealt with a workplace conflict?
- 13. How would you keep MR/CT equipment up to standard?
- 14. What are you looking for in the ideal job?
- 15. Is there a particular research project or clinical experience you have had during training that you feel has been formative or impactful to you?
- 16. Particularly for subspecialty fellowship interviews what led you into the field of the subspecialty?
- 17. Do you have any interests you would like to share that have meaning to you outside of radiology?
- 18. Can your spouse or significant other be happy in this location?
- 19. What do you see as the opportunities in this job?



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- 20. What did you contribute in your last job?
- 21. Do you think that you will be able to adapt to the volume expectations of this private practice as opposed to your academic training expectations?
- 22. Tell me about a dilemma you faced and how you handled it.

Radiation Oncology specific interview questions:

- 23. For clinical documentation, what method do you prefer? Dictation vs typing?
- 24. How would a patient's demographics affect your choice of dose fractionation?
- 25. How do you feel about communicating imaging and lab results to patients outside of scheduled clinic visits?
- 26. What do you feel is the biggest issue facing radiation oncology?
- 27. How would you handle a patient complaining of symptoms unrelated to radiation therapy?
- 28. Which are you comfortable doing: SRS, SBRT, permanent seed implants, tandem and ovoids, interstitial brachytherapy, head and neck IMRT. Anything you are not comfortable doing?
- 29. How would you keep linear accelerators up to standard?

Questions for the interviewee to ask the interviewer:

- 1. How much of my daily workload will be in the area of my fellowship training?
- 2. What are the criteria for partnership? Are all partners equal? What percentage of new hires become partners?
- 3. What does it take to succeed here?
- 4. What is your vision for the future of this practice/department/institution?
- 5. What needs to change here?
- 6. What are you looking for in a candidate for this job?
- 7. Is this institution growing (and why and how)?
- 8. Give me an example of why someone didn't work out in your group or department?