

Job Shadow Narrative

I have finally accomplished another major step in my high school career. I opted to interview a pediatrician, Dr. Posadas, on March 13, 2015 at her office in Lindsay. Although, I'm interested in pursuing a career in art, such as animation and graphic design, I'm still intrigued and interested in professions involving science. Both science and art are two of my profound passions and I'd like to know what a professional in either of these fields performs.

I arrived at the facility at around 7:30 AM before Dr. Posadas had arrived. The receptionist at the front office greeted me and allowed me to enter the office and wait for Dr. Posadas arrival. About an hour later, Dr. Posadas had finally arrived. She told me that she would love for me to go into one of the testing rooms and observe as she worked with small children. Afterwards, she finally took me into one of the testing rooms to see a patient who had suffered a second degree burn. Since the child's mother didn't speak English I had to translate for her in order to make Dr. Posadas's and the patient's mother's conversation less difficult. I went back into her office and waited for her call once again. Finally, she called me into one of the testing rooms for newborns. There was a tiny newborn baby boy and his two proud parents in the room. I was surprised and excited to have seen the newborn on his first visit to the doctor. Dr. Posadas demonstrated a regular examination for a newborn baby and gave the parents baby healthcare advice. After having the chance to go into almost every testing room to observe her treating patients, she told one of the nurses to show me the facility's laboratory. The kind nurse took me into the laboratory and showed me where they keep all their vaccination supplies and even showed me how she gets a vaccine ready for the Doctor.

I learned how to prepare a vaccine for the doctor and I also learned how to perform regular check ups. I liked having the doctor along with her assistants teach me and guide me through with handling young patients and their ailments. I also enjoyed how kindly they had treated me throughout the day. They didn't have issues with having me visit their workplace and were more than glad to have me observe them to gain knowledge in the medical field. There was nothing I disliked as I stated before they were kind to have me and taught me many things about their careers.

I'm not as interested in this job as I thought I would be. Nonetheless, I found this experience very enlightening and fascinating. I simply feel that art is always going to be one of my main interests that will influence my career choice. Interviewing a pediatrician and having the opportunity of observing her for several hours has given me an insight in the workforce. I am also more opened to other career choices.