

Doctors Back to School

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Today's Youth – Tomorrow's Physicians



Inspire a Student Today!

Conducting a DBTS Visit

Your goal is to give children from underrepresented minority groups a better idea of what doctors do and to help them recognize that they, too, can become successful members of our profession.

The next few slides will provide basic information on how to set up and conduct a DBTS visit. Detailed information will be available in the DBTS Online Action Kit available at www.ama-assn.org/go/dbts.



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Getting Started

- Identify a host school or community organization
(e.g. Your local Board of Education Web site would be a good resource)
- Work with the school or community organization to determine the best the forum for target audience
- Secure a date and time
- Confirm logistical details, such as class size, grade level, parking, etc.

Companion Documents: “Getting Started,” “Talking to Prospective Hosts,” and “Getting Ready” from the Physician Component of the DBTS Kit



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Tips for a Successful Visit

1. Familiarize yourself with the room beforehand.
2. Know your audience, including age, demographics and experience with physicians.
3. Know your material.
4. Bring some “show and tell” items to engage the kids.
(See “Props/Activities” on the next slide.)
5. Have someone introduce you, which will help establish a connection with the students.
6. Relax and be yourself.
7. Concentrate on the message, which is to spark interest in medicine and help students see they are capable of becoming physicians themselves.
8. Involve your audience.
9. Expect the unexpected.
10. Enjoy your presentation!



DBTS Visit Checklist



Forms

- Pre-visit student assessment form
- Post-visit student assessment form
- Post-visit teacher/administrator evaluation form
- Post-visit physician evaluation form
- Parent Information Packet (*Consists of the Parent Letter, Financial Resource List, and Careers in Medicine Resource List – found in the Parent Component of the Online Kit*)

Props/activities

- Stethoscope
- Scrubs
- X-ray film
- Lab coat
- Surgical masks
- “Future Doctor” stickers (*available upon request by sending an e-mail to dbts@ama-assn.org*)
- Activities (*e.g., medical spelling bee words, medical scavenger hunt and medical trivia questions—available upon request by sending an e-mail to dbts@ama-assn.org*)
- Camera (for photos)
- Other props



When the Visit is Done...

- Complete your evaluation form* to let the AMA know what you think
- Tell us about your visit so that we can celebrate your accomplishment and track the number of students reached
- Remember, that you have contributed to making a difference in a child's life and to our society!

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