Neurologist

**Job Description:** Diagnose, manage, and treat disorders and diseases of the brain, spinal cord, and peripheral nerves, with a primarily nonsurgical focus.

**What does a Neurologist do?**

* Interview patients to obtain information, such as complaints, symptoms, medical histories, and family histories
* Examine patients to obtain information about functional status of areas, such as vision, physical strength, coordination, reflexes, sensations, language skills, cognitive abilities, and mental status
* Order or interpret results of laboratory analyses of patients' blood or spinal fluid
* Diagnose neurological conditions based on examination findings, histories, and test results
* Identify and treat major neurological system diseases and disorders, such as dementia and epilepsy
* Prescribe and administer medications, monitoring patients for behavioral side effects

**Outlook:**

Average Salary - $100+ hourly, $208,000+ annually

Projected Job Openings – 13,400 in the next 10 years

**Your Interests:**

* Are you interested in how the brain works?
* Do you want to help others?
* Are you detail-oriented?

**Education/Program of Study:**

* Requires extensive training and schooling, including a bachelor's degree, medical school attendance, residency, certification, and additional training.