

## 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

## Your Interests:

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

## **Outlook:**

Average Salary - \$100+ hourly, \$208,000+ annually Projected Job Openings – 13,400 in the next 10 years

## **Education/Program of Study:**

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