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What factors influenced your decision to become a physician and your choice of specialty?

I always had an interest in science and my father was a physician. He died when I was a baby and I always felt I should maintain the tradition.

Did you experience a defining moment that made you feel you had become a physician?

Of course, graduating and getting the degree of MD made me feel I had become a physician, but subsequent years of training frequently made me doubt it.

As you were training to be a physician, what one piece of advice was most valuable to you?

Study, study, study, and medical school is just the beginning! If you don't enjoy studying, better go into another line of work!

What is the most significant medical innovation you experienced in your years of practice?

Computed tomography (CT scan) and later MRI. These allowed knowledge of head and neck disease never before demonstrated.