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Medical School Graduated From: Baylor College of Medicine

Specialty: Psychiatry

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

My interests in both science and language prompted my medical study. Psychiatry I looked upon as encompassing patient ills most comprehensively.

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

Attending persons at birth and in dying, contacting relatives regarding the health of their children, and at times succeeding in amelioration of patients' conditions. It was a conglomerate of these events, not a single moment, that defined my becoming a physician.

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

Repeated assessments carefully provides for best treatment success, best understanding, and detection of most errors.

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

I would term three interrelated developments, most notable innovative movements in medicine since I began my practice. These are artificial and transplanted organs; medication targeting of disease guided by genetic description of human conditions.