

Dr. Saju Joseph, MD

1. What inspired Dr. Saju Joseph to pursue a career in medicine?

- A. An interest in sports
- B. A personal medical experience
- C. A fascination with surgical procedures
- D. An early exposure to molecular biology and disease research

Answer: _____

2. Which specialty was Dr. Joseph initially interested in before choosing surgical oncology?

- A. Cardiology
- B. Vascular surgery
- C. Neurology
- D. Dermatology

Answer: _____

3. What did Dr. Joseph find most appealing about surgery during his medical training?

- A. The low-stress environment
- B. The potential for direct impact on patients' lives
- C. The routine and predictability of the work
- D. The intellectual challenge of diagnosing diseases

Answer: _____

4. According to Dr. Joseph, what is the most rewarding aspect of his job?

- A. Performing complex surgeries
- B. The gratitude of his patients
- C. The intellectual stimulation
- D. Being there for patients and families in both good and bad times

Answer: _____

5. What unique physical evidence did Dr. Joseph mention as a part of his job?

- A) Wearing a stethoscope at all times
- B) Having makeup on his white coat from patient hugs
- C) Always carrying a surgical tool
- D) Wearing special glasses for surgery

Answer: _____

6. At what age does Dr. Joseph typically treat patients?

- A. Newborns to five years old
- B. Six to twelve years old
- C. Thirteen years old and above
- D. Only adults

Answer: _____

7. Which institution was mentioned by Dr. Joseph in relation to surgical oncology training?

- A. Harvard University
- B. Edinburgh, Scotland
- C. University of California
- D. Johns Hopkins University

Answer: _____

****Written Response Questions****

8. Reflect on the impact of Dr. Joseph's career choice on his personal and professional life. How does his story illustrate the importance of passion in choosing a career path?

9. Discuss the emotional challenges Dr. Joseph faces in his work as a surgical oncologist and the strategies he employs to manage them. How can these strategies be applied in other high-stress professions?

10. Considering Dr. Joseph's journey from an interest in molecular biology to becoming a surgical oncologist, what does his path teach us about the importance of being open to new experiences and opportunities in shaping our careers?
