

# Health Career Presentations



**Grade Level:** 3-5

**Professions:** A variety of health professions

**References:** SD Office of Rural Health

*All HOTT lesson plans are designed with the purpose of increasing students' awareness of the variety of health careers that are available to them. If possible, invite the corresponding health professional into your classroom to discuss his/her occupation. If this is not an option, use the attached sheet(s) to share this/these career(s) with your students.*

**Purpose:** Students learn about a specific career through research and also learn about other careers through the presentations of their classmates.

**Materials needed:** Computer with internet access, library, poster board, glue, tape, markers, and colored pencils.

**Duration:** 1 week

## **Instructions:**

- Print out the Career List and cut out each career – put into a hat (you can pick and choose which careers to include or simply throw them all in!)
- Allow the students to draw a career from the hat – this is the career they will research.
- Students should spend 2 days researching their career; they can focus on multiple aspects.
- After researching, students should use the collected information to put together a poster board and presentation to show during class.
- The poster boards should include pictures and text – the presentation does not have to be long, simply a summary of the career – what does this person do? Also make sure the student points out at least one tool that the profession uses.
- Depending on the number of students you have, set aside the last day or days to hold presentations. The students may dress up like their profession (possibly for extra credit or just for fun)
- Allow the students to be as creative as they want – the possibilities are endless.

## Health Careers

Allergist	Genetic Counselor	Pathologist
Anesthesiologist	Gynecologist	Pediatrician
Athletic Trainer	Health Educator	Pharmacist
Audiologist	Health Information Administration	Physical Therapist
Biologist	Hematologist	Physician Assistant
Biomedical Engineer	Histologist	Plastic Surgeon
Cardiologist	Hospital Administrator	Podiatrist
Cardiovascular Technician	Laboratory Technician	Psychiatrist
Chiropractor	Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN)	Psychologist
Counselor	Massage Therapist	Public Health
Cytotechnologist	Medical Assistant	Radiologist
Dental Assistant	Medical Geneticist	Radiology Technician
Dental Hygienist	Music Therapist	Recreation Therapist
Dental Laboratory Technician	Neurologist	Registered Nurse (RN)
Dentist	Nurse Anesthetist	Respiratory Therapist
Dermatologist	Obstetrician	Surgeon
Dietician/Nutritionist	Occupational Therapist	Surgical Technologist
Emergency Medical Technician/EMT	Oncologist	Therapeutic Recreation Therapist
Epidemiologist	Ophthalmologist	Ultrasound Technician
Family Practitioner	Optometrist	Urologist
Fitness Trainer	Orthopedic Surgeon	X-Ray Tech
Gastroenterologist	Paramedic	

Many more careers are out there! Have your students do some research to come up with a list of your own.

*For specific information on these careers, visit <http://www.bls.gov/search/ooh.asp?ct=OOH>*