

# Career Planning

Obj. 15.6: Integrate and evaluate information about health science careers.



What makes you tick?

In the circle below, list all of the things that might influence your career choice.

DISCUSS

## Balancing Priorities

Which is more important: to earn a greater salary, or to do a job you love? Consider this question along with other possibly competing factors or priorities in career decision making (e.g., hours/flexibility, education required, etc.). Jot down your thoughts in the space below & then discuss with your partner.



## Occupational Outlook Handbook: Health Science Careers

Use the website for the BLS Occupational Outlook Handbook to select five careers that interest you. (Link: <http://www.bls.gov/ooh/healthcare>) Determine important criteria to record for each career, then fill in the table to compare and contrast them. When you are finished place a star by your top three that you are most interested in.

	Criteria & Categories for Comparison			
Careers	1	2	3	4
1				
2				
3				
4				
5				

## DISCUSS

## HS Careers Club

In a small group of 3-4 students, take turns presenting your top THREE health science career interests. Each presenter should spend one minute discussing each career, including the important facts about it, factors that were considered in comparing and contrasting it with other careers, and personal reasons why it was selected as a top 3 choice. After each presentation, the audience in each small group should ask questions and give feedback for 1-2 more minutes. In the table below, jot down one new career you learn about from each of your fellow presenters.

Presenter	Career	New Information About Career
1		
2		
3		



5 to 3 to 1.

You started class with five health science careers you were interested in and narrowed it down to your top three. For homework, choose your ONE top health science career interest so you are prepared for the upcoming classes. You will use this top career choice in subsequent activities and projects, so choose carefully. As an additional way to prepare, continue to read about your career online, find credible and useful sources about it, take notes, and talk to anyone you know who is in the career or may have contacts who are in it.

**My Chosen Health Science Career:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Why I chose it:**