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The Primary Care shortage in Vermont and Medical Student Interest in Primary Care

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Medical Student Interest in Primary Care Survey

1. Are you interested in primary care?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
2. What specialties do you consider primary care (select all that apply)?
 - a. Family medicine
 - b. Internal medicine
 - c. Pediatrics
 - d. Psychiatry
 - e. Obstetrics/gynecology
 - f. Geriatrics
3. What aspects of primary care make it appealing as a career? Please rank these options in order of importance to you (1 being the most important and 9 being least).
 - Long-term relationship with patients and their families
 - Focus on family/community care
 - Care continuity
 - Complexity of cases
 - Wide breadth of required expertise
 - Opportunity to do prenatal and/or deliveries
 - Opportunity to do both pediatric and adult care
 - Opportunity to do procedures and surgeries
 - Population health
 - Other - Please explain: _____
4. If primary care providers were paid the same as other specialists, would you be more interested in primary care?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
5. If primary care providers had more time to do office procedures, home visits, preventive health, and manage chronic conditions including mental health (thus eliminating the standard 15-minute visit), would you be more interested in primary care?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
6. If primary care providers had true care continuity, in other words, were able to team with specialists rather than always referring their patients to specialists, would you be more interested in primary care?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
7. As a medical student, do you believe there is stigma associated with pursuing a career in primary care?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
8. Does your student loan debt and predicted complementation influences your decision to pursue a particular medical specialty?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
9. In the future, do you plan of practicing medicine in Vermont?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided
10. If there was a scholarship available for primary care (e.g. cover the coast of medical school), would it incentivize you to pursue primary care?
 - a. Yes
 - b. No
 - c. Undecided