

Cath Lab Specialist (catheterization Laboratory Specialist) Interview Questions

1. Walk me through how you conduct electrocardiogram (EKG), phonocardiogram, echocardiogram, stress testing, or other cardiovascular tests to record patients' cardiac activity, using specialized electronic test equipment, recording devices, or laboratory instruments.

2. Describe what method have you found most useful to monitor patients' blood pressure and heart rate using electrocardiogram (EKG) equipment during diagnostic or therapeutic procedures to notify the physician if something appears wrong?

3. What is the most challenging part of monitoring patients' comfort and safety during tests, alerting physicians to abnormalities or changes in patient responses?

4. Tell me about your experience when adjusting equipment and controls according to physicians' orders or established protocol.

5. Share an experience you had in dealing with a difficult person and how you handled the situation.

6. Share an experience in which you successfully shared a difficult piece of information. (Make sure that the candidate has open lines of communication.)

7. How do you stay fit in order to perform physical activities that are required in the workplace?

8. Tell me how you organize, plan, and prioritize your work.

9. Share an experience when you applied new technology or information in your job. How did it help your company?

10. Tell me about an experience in which you analyzed information and evaluated results to choose the best solution to a problem.

11. Tell me about the last time you monitored or reviewed information and detected a problem. How did you respond?

12. Share an example of a time you had to gather information from multiple sources. How did you determine which information was relevant?

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13. Describe an experience when you assisted physicians in the diagnosis and treatment of cardiac or peripheral vascular treatments, such as implanting pacemakers or assisting with balloon angioplasties to treat blood vessel blockages.

14. What method have you found useful when performing general administrative tasks, such as scheduling appointments or ordering supplies or equipment? Share an example.

15. Tell me how you observe gauges, recorder, and video screens of data analysis system during imaging of cardiovascular system.

16. Describe an experience where you had to explain testing procedures to patients to obtain cooperation and reduce anxiety. What did you find helpful?

17. Provide an example when your ethics were tested.

18. Share an example of when you went above and beyond the "call of duty". (Look for answers that show the candidate is dependable.)

19. How much time do you spend transcribing, typing, and distributing reports of diagnostic procedures for interpretation by physician?

20. What kind of experience do you have operating diagnostic imaging equipment to produce contrast enhanced radiographs of heart and cardiovascular system?