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Proust questionnaire: Lind Grant-Oyeye, MD



What profession might you have pursued, if not medicine? Writer.

Which talent would you most like to have?

To be able to belt it out like Tina Turner, Mariah Carey, or Celine Dion.

What do you consider your greatest achievement?

I don't think of achievements in that way; instead, I tend to celebrate little successes.

Who are your heroes?

Everyday people who overcome the simplest hurdles. I particularly admire paramedics, who save a lot of lives daily.

Dr Grant-Oyeye is a Nigerian-born physician but considers herself to be multicultural given her wealth of experience practising on several continents. She enjoys working with her colleagues and multidisciplinary teams in Prince George.

What is your idea of perfect happiness?

I would like to say world peace, but I try to be realistic. A day chilling out with friends and family.

What is your greatest fear?

To wake up someday and realize I have not lived life to my full potential.

What characteristic do your favorite patients share?

Patience, honesty, and having a goal for recovery.

What is your favorite activity?

Hanging out with friends and family.

Which words or phrases do you most overuse?

This is stranger than fiction.

Where would you most like to practise?

I enjoy my current practice but would also love to spend a month as an observer in the pediatric surgery department of Great Ormond Street Hospital in London, England. They carry out cool, revolutionary surgeries.

What technological medical advance do you most anticipate?

An early-detection test for mental illness (based on a catch-them-young principle), similar to how hearing tests are done early in neonates these days.

What is your most marked characteristic?

Empathy, patience, and genuine care.

What do you most value in your colleagues?

Collegiality and an interest in learning every day, because as physicians we grow when we keep open minds and have a great desire to learn.

Who are your favorite writers?

Nicholas Sparks, Danielle Steel, Sidney Sheldon, and classic Irish writers such as James Joyce.

How would you like to die?

Die? Ha, ha, ha! Live life; don't think of death for it is less painful when death meets you living.

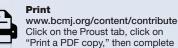
What is your motto?

Go past the hurdles.

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