

# TIPS FOR VIRTUAL INTERVIEWS FOR MD/PHD APPLICANTS



## Find a location with strong wifi

Zoom interviews can use a lot of bandwidth, so identify a location where you'll have consistent wifi connection for long periods of time.



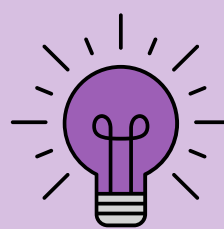
## Test out the equipment

Have a reliable device with software loaded and tested before interview day. Be sure to close all unnecessary applications to optimize performance of the video conference.



## Dress professionally

Even though you may not visit in person, you should appear presentable with attire similar to what you would wear in person. Avoid busy patterns that can be distracting on camera.



## Use strong lighting

It's important for you to be seen so find a location with good natural light and/or strong light source behind your camera. Avoid bright lights behind you as they will create dark shadows.



## Be passionate about a career as a physician scientist

No matter what the circumstances of your interview, your goal is to convey your passion and potential as a physician scientist. This includes your prior experience as a scientist, your capacity for empathy with the human condition, and your ability to effectively communicate these ideas. Good luck!

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