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# HOW TO CHOOSE a Doctor that Values You

As you get older, you may see your doctor more often. It's important to choose a doctor who meets your needs and makes time for you. The right doctor can help you address your medical conditions and live a healthy life.

How do you choose the right doctor?  
There are lots of things to consider.



## HERE ARE 8 THINGS TO LOOK FOR IN A DOCTOR:



### **Experience with older adults:**

As you get older, you should work with a doctor who understands your stage of life. You want a doctor who works with older adults and will understand your needs.



### **Good listening skills:**

Make sure your doctor will happily take the time to listen to your needs and concerns.



### **Time to focus on you:**

Some doctors care for hundreds or thousands of patients. That can make your appointments short and rushed. Make sure to find a doctor who spends enough time with you to answer all your questions.

## How to Choose a Doctor that Values You (Continued)

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### **Availability at night and on weekends:**

Sometimes, you need to contact your doctor after the office has closed. Make sure you are able to get in touch with your doctor any time you have an urgent concern.



### **Flexibility with your support system:**

You may want to bring your children or caregivers to your appointment, so they can help you make care decisions. Make sure your doctor will allow this.



### **Communication with your other doctors:**

You may see other specialists for different health needs. Will your doctor work with those doctors to coordinate your care?



### **A focus on healthy living:**

As you get older, your doctor should help you learn to lead a healthy life. That might mean tips on diet, exercise, and mental health. Make sure your doctor isn't only concerned about medical needs.



### **A good personality:**

You may spend a lot of time with your doctor. You should enjoy being around him or her!



# YOU SHOULD ALSO ASK ABOUT the doctor's office policies.

This can help you choose a doctor who fits your needs.  
Find out how they will handle:



## Transportation assistance:

Will the doctor's office help get you to and from your appointment?



## Hospital care:

If you need surgery or emergency care, will your doctor care for you in the hospital?



## Labs and tests:

Can you get your labs and other tests in the doctor's office, or do you have to go to another location?



## Same-day appointments:

If you have an urgent need, can you get a same-day appointment?

**Choosing a doctor is an important decision, especially as you get older.**

Dedicated is committed to delivering superior healthcare to Medicare-eligible seniors. If you're looking for a new doctor, we could be the right doctor for you. See why 4 out of 5 patients would recommend Dedicated to family and friends.\*



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