

Top Travel Physical Therapist Interview Questions

General interview questions

- 1 Tell me about yourself.
- 2 How might your current supervisor or coworkers describe you?
- 3 What is your biggest strength as a travel PT?
- 4 What is your biggest weakness as a travel PT?
- 5 Why do you want to work here?
- 6 Where do you see yourself in five years?
- 7 What made you want to become a travel physical therapist?
- 8 What do you enjoy most about being a travel PT?
- 9 What do you know about our company?
- 10 How soon can you start?
- 11 What hours can you work?
- 12 What is the most difficult part of your job?
- 13 Why would you be a good fit to work here?

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- 14 Tell me about the patients and/or services you've previously worked with.
- 15 How do you motivate your patients?
- 16 How do you encourage patients to continue treatment?
- 17 How do you handle it when patients refuse therapy?
- 18 What do you find are the most successful methods to track patient progress?
- 19 Tell me about your most challenging case/s and the therapies you used.
- 20 Tell me about your best, most rewarding experience with a patient.
- 21 Which patient has affected you most? Why?
- 22 When was a time you had to deal with a disagreement with another clinician? How did you handle it? How do you resolve conflict with PTAs?
- 23 How do you set expectations and provide status updates to patients and their family members?
- 24 Have you ever had a patient suddenly become upset, distressed, or agitated with you? How did you deal with it, or how would you?
- 25 Do you have any skills, abilities, or other areas that you feel would benefit from additional training or education?
- 26 Have you had any experience navigating cultural differences with patients?

Experience and background questions

- 30 How do you assess and diagnose patients' conditions?
- 32 How do you develop patient treatment plans?
- 33 How many clients have you worked with?
- 34 What does being part of a team mean to you?
- 35 What does patient success mean to you? How is it best measured?
- 36 Are there any conditions you don't feel comfortable treating with physical therapy?
- 37 How do you approach different patient populations differently? What specific challenges have you noticed?
- 38 What is the most typical injury your patients have?
- 39 How do you structure sessions with patients?
- 40 Do you have any special interests within physical therapy?
- 41 What is your experience like at different facilities?
- 42 Do you have experience in long-term care?
- 43 Tell me about your priorities when considering movement disorders.
- 44 What is most stressful about your job? How do you handle stress/practice coping skills?
- 45 What is/was a typical day like at your current or previous position?
- 46 What made you choose physical therapy instead of a different health profession?
- 47 What conditions have you successfully treated?
- 48 How do you stay up-to-date on best practices?

- 27 Have you ever been unfamiliar with a new patient's diagnosis? What did you do?
- 28 How would you handle it if a patient or their family complained about your work?
- 29 Tell me about a time you took the lead in a challenging situation.

Questions for you to ask during the interview

- 48 What are the goals of the clinic this year?
- 49 What are the main tasks and responsibilities of this job?
- 50 What skills do I need to be successful here?
- 51 How is job performance measured?
- 52 What are some common challenges for physical therapists at this facility?
- 53 In this position, what would you say is the difference between a good physical therapist and a great physical therapist?
- 54 Is there potential for individual growth and opportunities to pursue certifications?
- 55 What does a typical day look like in this role?
- 56 Why is this position open?
- 57 Is there time dedicated to documentation?
- 58 How many patients will I see daily?
- 59 How long is each patient slot?
- 60 What are the most common assessments used in the clinic?
- 61 What is the general patient population?
- 62 What is the typical patient length of stay?
- 63 Do you use PT aides?
- 64 Does the clinic/facility offer mentorship?

- 65 How collaborative are the staff?
- 66 How many travelers are at this facility? Have any of them extended?
- 67 What does job turnover look like here?
- 68 How many days of orientation are there, and how are travelers transitioned into the team?
- 69 Is there time specifically dedicated to documentation?
- 70 Is there a possibility for an extension with this assignment?

