

1.If anything was possible, what would your dream job be, and why?

If anything was possible and there would be no limitations in any aspect, my dream job would be a doctor- a Neurosurgeon. Back when I was a kid, I always dreamed of becoming a doctor regardless of the specification, as long as I saw myself being a person in a white coat helping people and saving a life. As I was exposed to a more complex reality, I also knew the complexity of the brain and how fascinating it was to work on it. The idea of dreaming to become a neurosurgeon could have also started because of my interest in hospital-related Korean dramas. So, if everything is accessible to me and there are no considerations to be taken in dreaming, I would have worked really hard for it every day just to achieve it. I believe that becoming one is very fulfilling and the job is very interesting in any way.

2. Have you ever experienced a stressful situation in your past workplace (college if fresh graduate), what was it and how did you overcome it?

There are a number of stressful situations that I have experienced, especially during college. One situation that I can recall right now was during the sudden announcement of lockdown due to the Covid 19 pandemic. I remember that it was our exam week in college, and we were supposed to continue our exams for major subjects, but then the lockdown happened. Because of that, not only were we given a more difficult exam format but we were also given a tremendous amount of work activities in a limited time because we are trying to catch up. Thankfully, I was able to handle a load of work and stress by managing my time. During that time, I made sure that I was not stagnant in a single task, but tracked my progress and created a working timeline. These allowed me to be productive by instead of dealing with the stress, I dealt with what caused it.

3. In your previous position, what task did you find most challenging and why? What task did you enjoy most and why?

During my On-the-Job training at South Bacolod General Hospital, I was assigned to different offices, because of that I was able to have a deeper understanding that each department and/or offices in a company have different functions but work together to achieve the goal of the organization. This is not a direct task however, this is what I enjoyed most during my experience. I also enjoyed the task of timekeeping the employees' work hours in the HR office. However, the task where I have to attend to customers' concerns in the billing department is the most challenging for me. It is difficult to attend to and answer questions that you are not knowledgeable enough about. Thankfully, the employees are kind enough to help and guide me patiently so I can have an idea and improve myself on that aspect. It was challenging to work on the things that you are not familiar with and a wide understanding of how things really work, that is why having patient guidance is helpful.

4. How would your previous managers/coworkers describe you?

I believe that my past evaluators/department heads would describe me as someone who will try to learn the things that I was tasked to do so I can do it right, instead of just staying in the reason of 'I don't know how to do it'. I also saw in my evaluation form during our On-the-Job training that my head saw me as someone who is helpful and proactive inside the office. They would also describe me as someone who will not stop with a task unless it is already finished. My co-trainees would also describe me as being an explorer, one co-trainee even called me Jera-the-explorer. It is maybe because, during our OJT, I had a lot of questions for the staff that we are working with and was very interested in knowing the workflow which made me want to try different work tasks and have a practical experience of their job, especially in HR department.

5. What personal or professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

Personally, the accomplishment that I am most proud of right now was being able to finish college and have a degree, especially since it came with the bonus of finishing it with flying colors. College was never easy. It came with different challenges in different aspects, it is like climbing toward the top of the mountain without having a secure rock to step on next. As a fresh graduate, getting the degree you have worked hard for the last four years of your life makes you feel like you're on cloud nine. This accomplishment will also serve as a key to starting another and many more accomplishments in life, especially Professionally. Also, as someone who came from a family of no Degree holder, it was truly something, because it was not just simply my own accomplishment but also the accomplishment of my family, my parents, and everyone who helped me and dreamed with me.