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Social Worker

# Question Number 1

The career I chose is a social worker. They work in the social spheres of life where they help common man with difficulties and challenges. The annual earning of a social worker, according to the Bureau of Labor Statistics, is $54,870. Whereas the earning of a social worker $23.07 per hour (Torpey, np). The average salary is based on the experience and location of social workers. So it may vary accordingly.

**Question Number 2**

All the jobs for social workers are created equally, but the factors which may affect the salaries are professional and geographical in nature. They have to adjust to various roles of the workplace, and sometimes they also have to check on the living cost of a specific area of practice (Howe, p.120). The healthcare social workers are most highly paid due to their area of practice. The lowest paid are those working with the patients of drug abuse and psychological counselors.

**Question Number 3**

The minimum qualification which is needed to become a social worker is bachelors in social work education. Entry-level social institutes accept the students with simple bachelors in sociology or any other social science field, like psychology. The highest education level for a social worker is a master or doctoral degree for gaining advanced license (Berg-Weger, np).

**Question Number 4**

The advanced licensure is needed in this field, although there are many types of licensures needed by a social worker to excel in his field. For instance, there is a separate license for social workers with a degree of bachelors, or masters or clinical area. There are different types of license, i.e., initial, master, clinical, license renewal and endorsement. The requirements for earning these licenses are to pass a social work exam which is registered under the Association of Social Work Boards. Few states also require a professional experience for gaining any license (Torpey, np).

**Question Number 5**

Advance degree for gaining skills, knowledge, and expertise opens ways for progression in this field. The social workers, who develop the skills in resource management and psychological counseling, may advance through supervisory in the profession of mental health and social service agencies. The opportunities as such are available for the social workers with a graduate level degree.

**Question Number 6**

The personal characteristics or abilities required in becoming a social worker is, firstly they are expected to be very helping and serving people to humanity. The philanthropist nature of a person will help them in becoming a successful social worker. Such that empathy is needed out of them if they don't have compassion for others their profession is of no use. Secondly, their communication and interaction skills should be refined to the level that they are able to communicate and help people with needs. This takes a strong will-power and their resilience to be compassionate and persistent in helping and reaching out for the destitute.

**Question Number 7**

1. They have to meet with the clients, and this not mean to check their progress or interview them. In fact, they not only listen to them but also set up their appointments, classes, and perspective related to their development.
2. They are responsible for responding to emergencies in any case although emergencies do not come up every day they have to be mentally prepared for them beforehand.
3. They have to advocate or support their patients on a daily bases. They can act as a legal advocate for children who go through domestic violence or substance abuse.
4. Evaluate and connect to other services for their clients.
5. Responding and coming up with the emotional, economic and social problems are also their daily task.

**Question Number 8**

1. Social workers work under the circumstances of any natural disaster, community issues or for the welfare of the society.
2. Healthcare social workers work under the constant pressures in a hospital or clinical settings, sometimes six days a week or even on weekends.
3. They work with different groups of people, regardless of their race, ethnicity, class, gender or mental health.

**Question Number 9**

Social work is one of the most professional jobs in the United States. As recorded by the Bureau of labor stats, there were more than 680,000 social workers in the US by the time of 2016. Only 2% of the social workers are unemployed, and others are fully employed either into the hospitals, recreational institutes or schools.

**Question Number 10**

The projected job outlook for the social worker's overall employment in future is 16% until 2026, making it one of the fastest growing fields. However, it is 19% for the social worker who is working in the mental health area. The most significant number of employees will be in the field of family, child or school social work (Torpey, np). The justification for the growth rate of this job relies on the fact that every field of life needs a social worker who can help people with all his might.

**Question Number 11**

The job nature of health educators or community health workers is so much following the social worker's.

**Question Number 12**

Yes, this career would be beneficial for my economic wellbeing as well as the emotional wellbeing. Becoming a social worker is not an easy task, one has to sacrifice a lot on the way, but this entire struggle is worth it when it comes to the fact that I will satisfy the need for having an aim in life (Christine, and Scragg, np). It is a good fit for me by all the ways, wither it is monetary, social or financial.

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