

# Why Are Physicians Leaving Clinical Medicine?

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As high as 20% of physicians are dissatisfied with practice and are contemplating leaving clinical practice. In the past, one of the barriers for physicians leaving practice was the answer to the question, "How will I replace my income from practicing medicine?"

The new question which is now being asked by physicians is, "*How much money am I losing by not leaving and going into business?*"

Physicians who are highly intelligent and educated, dedicated, and hard working are learning that they can use these assets in the business world.

The examples of physicians who have left clinical practice and have succeeded in business is growing exponentially.

**Drew Senyei, MD** left clinical medicine, obtained patents, and started Enterprise Partners Venture Capital which has helped build 155 companies and has over \$750 million in capital under management.

**Dr. Michael J. McLaughlin, MD** was a plastic surgeon and attended the Non-Clinical Careers for Physicians Seminar, a course designed to help physicians with the transition process. Dr. McLaughlin started and is chief scientific officer of Peleton Advantage, a highly successful medical communications company.

Physicians who have made the transition do so in large part for their families and lifestyle. In their new positions they can spend more time with their spouse and children and can schedule vacations, trips and family time without the fear of constant interruption. They no longer have to constantly leave the dinner table disappointing their families.

Some physicians leave clinical practice to go into public service as well.