

Re: Question for the MT's

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Unless you have a strong medical background already, you're going to need a lot more than just the accounts and the speller. A typist who can type 120 wpm would be slowed to close to zero if they had to look up every word. You must know terminology, anatomy, physiology, drug names, doses, and indications, etc. If you don't know the drug doesn't even come in 15 mg, you can easily hear that instead of the 50 the doctor mumbled through his tuna sandwich.

M. Butzin wrote:

Hello all,
I'm disabled and in the past have (last five or so yrs) been writing legal brief's and motions and some research for some Lawyers, they're growing and doing most in house now. I'm would like to change over to do MT, I have a friend who has earned her degree and is moving on and currently does this for two or three doctors in my area. I can type 40/50 word a min and can do so at my leisure / medically retired Heart / Back PT (totally disabled) I can work late night or as long as I wish without interruption (no small kids), she would be willing to give those accounts to me, if I play her a song on my guitar. I have checked out some medical spell checkers for MS word for XP and also two transcription machines a Mini and a regular cassette. She said she would give me all her charts and such. My son works in a doctors office so if I needed clarification he could help.

My Questions are:

What amount of remuneration is typical norm for this type of work?

Is it by the line or word? or a "standard flat fee"?

How long is too long for turn around time? one, two, five days?

Any other "requirements"?

I want to be sure she is giving me correct information, any help is greatly appreciated TIA for considerations!

Marc

Burn out is not a concern, boredom and money are!