Physician and Scientist are Prestigious Careers

For each occupation, please tell me if you feel it is an occupation of very great prestige, considerable prestige, some prestige or hardly any prestige at all?

{ % saying very great or considerable }

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
High Confidence in Medical and Scientific Communities

How much confidence do you have in the following institutions in this country?
{\% saying great deal or some}

- Medical community: 90\%
- Military: 81\%
- Scientific community: 80\%
- Media: 77\%
- Community-based organizations: 74\%
- Congress: 68\%
- Organized religion: 65\%
- Corporations: 61\%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
U.S. Priorities

In terms of U.S. priorities, would you say each of the following is very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

{%= saying “very important”}%

- Education: 93%
- Research to prevent and cure disease: 89%
- Jobs: 89%
- Social Security and Medicare: 89%
- Homeland Security: 84%
- Disaster preparedness: 83%
- National defense: 78%
- Tax cuts: 66%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
U.S. Health Priorities

How important would you say each of the following health issues are in terms of U.S. priorities?

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
As we look for ways to manage health care costs in our country, do you think that our commitment to health-related research should be higher, lower, or about the same as it is now?

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
U.S. Should Be Global Leader in Research

How important do you think it is that the U.S. is a global leader in medical, health and scientific research?

- **80%** Very
- **16%** Somewhat
- **2%** Not
- **2%** Don't know

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
U.S. Performance in Science and Math Education

Do you think the U.S. is performing well or performing poorly compared to other nations in terms of science and math education?

- **Very well**: 44%
- **Somewhat well**: 35%
- **Somewhat poorly**: 8%
- **Very poorly**: 5%
- **Don't know**: 8%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Encouraging Youth to Pursue Science Careers Is a Priority

How important is it for Hispanic families to encourage their children to go into the fields of medical, health, and scientific research?

- Very: 86%
- Somewhat: 13%
- Not: 1%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Expanding Research Career Opportunities Important for Hispanic Youths

How important is it for the U.S. to create more opportunities for Hispanic youths to pursue careers in science and research?

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Hispanics Want More Spent on Medical and Health Research

Currently, less than 6 cents out of each health dollar spent in the U.S. goes for research to improve health. How many cents out of each health dollar do you think we SHOULD spend?

- 7 cents or more: 54%
- 5-6 cents: 11%
- 0-4 cents: 4%
- Don't know: 31%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Hispanics Willing to Pay More Taxes for Medical Research

Would you be willing to pay $1 per week more in taxes if you were certain that all the money would be spent for additional medical research, or not?

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Important to Understand Hispanic Culture’s Influence on Health

Studies show that for Hispanics, *culture* plays a positive role in health. At the same time, certain health issues like diabetes are more prevalent among Hispanics than for some other ethnic groups. How important do you think it is to invest in research to help us understand why?

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Factors Affecting Health Care Quality

The quality of health care varies among populations in the U.S. How important do you think each of the following is in determining if someone receives high-quality health care?

- **Access to health insurance**: 72% Very important, 13% Somewhat important, 11% Not important, 4% Don't know
- **Employment status**: 62% Very important, 13% Somewhat important, 22% Not important, 3% Don't know
- **Income**: 56% Very important, 17% Somewhat important, 21% Not important, 6% Don't know
- **Age**: 51% Very important, 14% Somewhat important, 31% Not important, 4% Don't know
- **Living in an urban v. rural area**: 50% Very important, 16% Somewhat important, 26% Not important, 8% Don't know
- **Race/ethnicity**: 43% Very important, 15% Somewhat important, 36% Not important, 6% Don't know
- **Gender**: 39% Very important, 15% Somewhat important, 40% Not important, 6% Don't know

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Environmental health experts conduct research on how to improve the quality of the air we breathe, the water we drink, the food we eat, and how we can protect and preserve the environment. How important is it for the U.S. to invest in this type of research?

- Very Important: 88%
- Somewhat Important: 8%
- Not Important: 3%
- Don't know: 1%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
Many Hispanics Say They Are Not Well Informed

How well informed would you say you are regarding the stance of your elected officials when it comes to their support of medical, health and scientific research?

- Very well informed: 1%
- Somewhat informed: 4%
- Not well informed: 13%
- It varies/depends: 34%
- Don't know: 48%

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
Charlton Research Company for Research!America
## Public Concerns About Research

What concerns, if any, do you have about medical and health research?

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Hispanics Favor Embryonic Stem Cell Research (ESCR)

Do you favor or oppose medical research using embryonic stem cells?

- 29% Strongly favor
- 27% Somewhat favor
- 11% Somewhat oppose
- 8% Strongly oppose
- 25% Don't know
- 56% Favor
- 19% Oppose

Source: Hispanic Health and Science Poll, 2007
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