“As you can tell by my year of graduation, I've been in practice a long time. There are 4 cardiologists in my office, as part of a large cardiology group. As you would expect, the pandemic has caused lots of changes in our practice, big and small.

In the last few weeks, I've seen a number of older women who are dutifully complying with our state's lockdown measures. Yet, they are dressed quite well when they come in for their appointment. Ear rings, some make up, etc. This appointment will likely be their only excursion for the day - maybe the week. Seeing them and how they prepare themselves to see the doctor is a reminder of what an important role we play in the lives of our patients. How even if we're a bit rushed, we need to remember that the patient we are seeing is important, and we need to show that we are glad to see them.”

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