

Medical Training Survey

2024 Report
The Northern Territory

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Welcome

2024 MEDICAL TRAINING SURVEY

Medical Training Survey data is getting richer each year.

Since 2019, trainees have been using their voice, in their survey. Through the MTS, they are highlighting what is going well in medical training in Australia and safely calling out where action is needed.

There is much to learn from rich MTS data and the 2024 headline results are interesting and important. There are also gems beneath the surface, clearly visible through tailored searches in the online data dashboard. 2024 results will be accessible in searchable form in early 2025 on the MedicalTrainingSurvey.gov.au website.

With strict confidentiality rules in place to protect trainees, the MTS online searchable database can reveal meaningful insights. Use it to compare trainees' feedback by specialty and jurisdiction. Take a deep dive into the culture of training, and make comparisons across sites.

There is a lot of stability and good news in the 2024 MTS results. The national quality of trainee supervision, orientation, teaching, education and training on patient safety is again high.

Worryingly, 29% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees and about 19% of all trainees are considering a career outside of medicine.

Unacceptably, again, one third of trainees (33%) reported having experienced or witnessed bullying, discrimination, harassment, sexual harassment or racism, spiking to 54% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees and 44% of interns. Around 70% of trainees reported that this impacted negatively on their training.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees report experiencing or witnessing racism at more than double the rate of other trainees: 38% compared to 17% of other trainees. There is no place for this in any civil community.

Within these data, there is nuance. The source of reported unprofessional behaviour varies between groups of trainees. For GP trainees (49%) and interns (54%), patients and their families were the most common source of unprofessional behaviour, anchoring deficits in the culture of medicine firmly in the context of wider community attitudes and behaviours. With robust evidence generated by trainees in the MTS, comes knowledge and the ability to develop effective strategies for change.

We are pleased that in 2024, 203 Aboriginal and Torres

Strait Islander trainees took part in the MTS. This is nearly a third of all registered Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander medical practitioners and, it seems, a very healthy proportion of all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees. We thank the Australian Indigenous Doctors Association (AIDA) for their work with trainees to build trust and confidence in the MTS. With a strong evidence base, action can flow.

Again in 2024, new MTS questions generated new insights:

- 81% of interns reported that their medical school prepared them well for medical training
- More than 1,000 trainees (5%) told us they had experienced/witnessed sexual harassment
- 62% of trainees agreed/strongly agreed that the financial cost of their College training program had led to stress
- 16% of trainees agreed/strongly agreed that the cost of their College training program had been a barrier to their progressing in the training program.

On flexible training, 68% of trainees agreed/strongly agreed that their College supported flexible training arrangements (up 3%), with workplace unavailability the main reason for not accessing it.

It's striking to think that many current trainees weren't yet in medical school when a previous cohort of trainees — most now specialists - campaigned successfully for the Board to establish the MTS. Not all current trainees know the MTS was created for trainees, with trainees.

With six consecutive years' MTS results now at our fingertips, and data generated by more than 50% of trainees each year, we have the opportunity to examine the data closely. In this detail lies the evidence that can inform constructive change.



Dr Anne Tonkin AO Chair, Medical Board of Australia

Background

INTRODUCTION

The Medical Training Survey (MTS) is a national, profession-wide survey of doctors in training in Australia. It is a confidential way to get national, comparative data to strengthen medical training in Australia. The MTS is conducted annually with doctors in training, with 2024 representing the sixth wave of data collection.

The objectives of the survey are to:

- promote better understanding of the quality of medical training in Australia
- identify how best to improve medical training in Australia, and

 identify and help deal with potential issues in medical training that could impact on patient safety, including environment and culture, unacceptable behaviours and poor supervision.

The Australian Health Practitioner Regulation Agency (Ahpra), on behalf of the Medical Board of Australia (the Board), commissioned EY Sweeney to undertake data collection and report on the results for the MTS.

METHOD

Data collection for the MTS involved receiving responses to an online survey from n=24,812 doctors in training, with n=23,859 responses eligible for analysis (i.e. currently training in Australia) between 4 August and 9 October 2024.



46,440 doctors in training invited to the survey in 2024



53.4%
doctors in training responded to the survey



410 respondents were in NT

Different versions of the survey were used to reflect the particular training environment of doctors who are at different stages in their training. Doctors in training answered questions about their experiences in their workplace. This could be the doctor in training's current setting, workplace, placement or rotation, or might be a previous setting, if they have only been practising or training in their current setting for less than two weeks.

For this report, results for the Northern Territory (NT) are presented at an overall level. To explore results within NT further, please visit medicaltrainingsurvey.gov.au/results.

INTERPRETING THIS REPORT

This report provides key results based on n = 410 doctors in training working in locations across NT compared against national results (n = 23,859) of all eligible doctors in training (i.e. currently training in Australia).

Bases exclude 'not applicable' responses or where the respondent skipped the question. Data in this report are unweighted. Labels on stacked charts are hidden for results 3% or less. Results with base sizes of less than n = 10 are suppressed.

Data percentages displayed throughout the report are rounded to the nearest whole number. As such, if there is an expectation for a given chart or table that all percentages stated should add to 100% or nets should equal to the sum of their parts, this may not happen due to rounding.

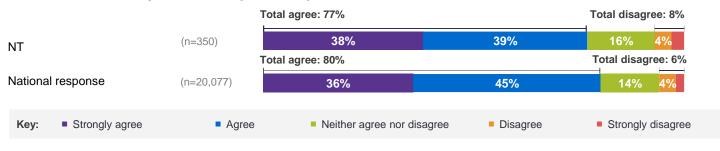
Executive summary

OVERALL SATISFACTION

I would recommend my current training position to other doctors



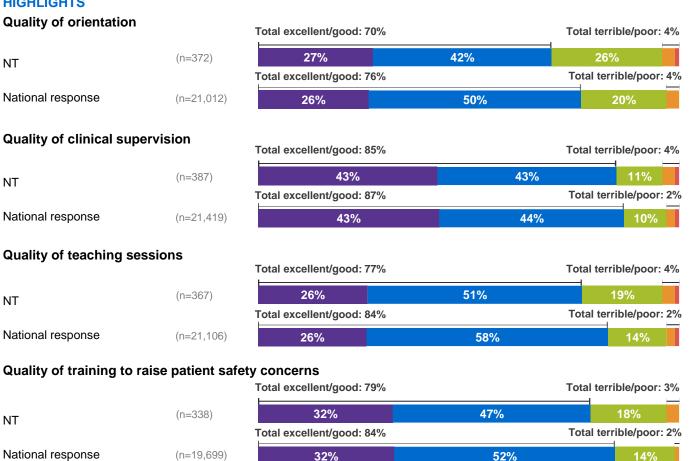
I would recommend my current workplace as a place to train



Base: Total sample

Q50. Thinking about your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

HIGHLIGHTS



Base: Orientation received | Q27B. How would you rate the quality of your orientation?

Have a supervisor | Q31. For your setting, how would you rate the quality of your clinical supervision / peer review? Base:

Total sample | Q39. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the teaching sessions? Base:

Agree

Base: Received training on how to raise concerns about patient safety | Q48. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your training on how to raise

Neither agree nor disagree

Disagree

Strongly disagree

Key:

Strongly agree

Profile of NT doctors in training

SETTING

Region







Do not wish to specify 1%

Base: Total sample (NT: n = 405) Q6. Is your current setting in a...?

Facility

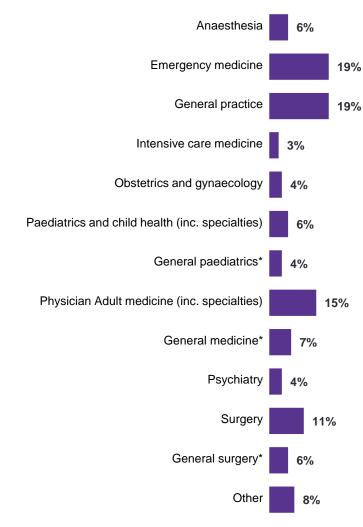


Base: Total sample (NT: n = 407)

Q5A. Is your current position/term/rotation/placement

predominantly in a hospital?

CURRENT ROTATION / TERM / POSITION



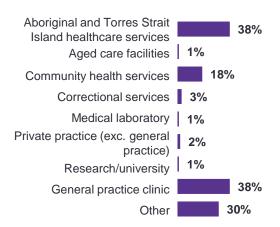
Base: Total sample (NT: n = 404), fields with 10 or more responses shown. Note:

fields marked with an * are subspecialties.

Q9a. Which area are you currently practising in? | Q9b. If applicable, which

subspecialty area are you practising in?

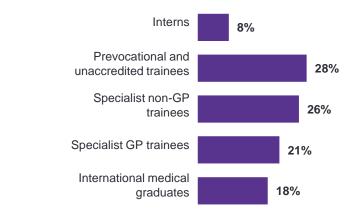
Additional settings worked in



 $\begin{array}{ll} \mbox{Base:} & \mbox{Total sample excluding Not applicable (NT: n = 159)} \\ \mbox{Q5c.} & \mbox{Select any additional settings you work in / Which} \\ \end{array}$

settings do you work in?

DOCTOR IN TRAINING COHORT

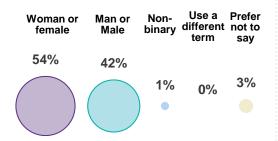


Base: Total sample (NT: n = 410)

Profile of NT doctors in training

DEMOGRAPHICS



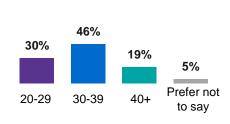


Total sample (NT: n = 344) Base: Do you identify as ...? Q55.

Note: For this question, answers that are less than 1% and have one or more responses

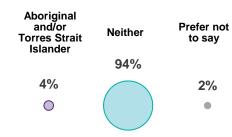
have been shown as <1%

Age in years



Total sample (NT: n = 329) Base: Q56. What is your age?

Cultural background

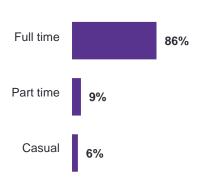


Total sample (NT: n = 345) Base: Do you identify as an Australian Q57.

Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander

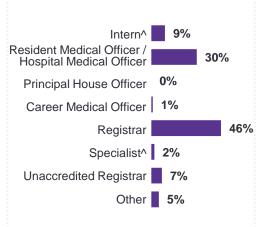
person?

Employment



Base: Total sample (NT: n = 410) Are you employed: Q2.

Role

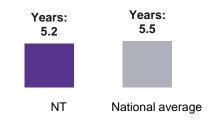


Base: Total sample (NT: n = 404). ^Asked of IMGs

Q7. What is your role in the setting?

Postgraduate year

Postgraduate year average is



Total sample (National: 2024 n = 23,835; Base:

NT: 2024 n = 410)

Q1. What is your postgraduate year?

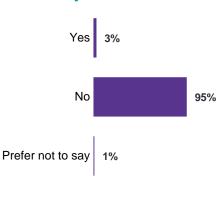
Primary degree



Total sample (NT: n = 353) Base: Q58a.

Did you complete your primary medical degree in Australia or New Zealand?

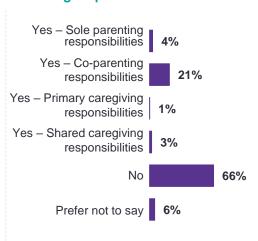
Do you identify as a person with a disability...



Total sample (NT: n = 345) Base: Q60. Do you identify as a person with a

disability?

Caring responsibilities



Base: Total sample (NT: n = 345)

Q61. During your usual work week, do you spend time providing unpaid care, help, or assistance for family members or others?

Profile of NT doctors in training

SPECIALIST TRAINEES

On average, specialist trainees in NT have been in their training program for



Base: Specialist trainees (National: 2024 n = 10,724; NT: 2024 n = 186) Q15. How many years have you been in the College training program?

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGs)

On average, IMGs in NT have held registration in Australia for



Base: IMGs National: 2024 n = 4,773; NT: 2024 n = 72)
Q10. How many years have you held registration in Australia?

INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGs)



Specialist and competent authority pathway

Specialist pathway

Standard pathway (AMC exam)

Standard pathway (Workplace based assessment)

Competent authority pathway

Short term training pathway

Other

3%

Unsure

3%

Base: IMGs (NT: n = 73) Q11a. Which pathway are you in?

Specialist pathway assessment

The Royal College of Pathologists of Australasia (RCPA)^

The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP)^

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Radiologists (RANZCR)^

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Psychiatrists (RANZCP)^

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Ophthalmologists (RANZCO)^

The Royal Australian and New Zealand College of Obstetricians and Gynaecologists (RANZCOG)^

Royal Australasian College of Surgeons (RACS)^

The Royal Australasian College of Physicians (RACP)^

The Royal Australasian College of Medical Administrators (RACMA)^

Royal Australasian College of Dental Surgeons (RACDS)^

College of Intensive Care Medicine of Australia and New Zealand (CICM)^

Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM)^

Australian and New Zealand College of Anaesthetists (ANZCA)^

Australasian College of Sport and Exercise Physicians (ACSEP)^

The Australasian College of Dermatologists (ACD)^

Australasian College for Emergency Medicine (ACEM)^

Unsure^

Prefer not to say^

Base: IMGs selecting a specialist pathway or specialist and competent authority pathway (NT: n = 15)

Note: IMGs were shown other colleges. A category contains less than 10 responses. The values have been suppressed to protect anonymity.

Q11b. Which college(s) did your specialist pathway assessment?

Profile of NT doctors in training

INTERNS

Medical school graduated from

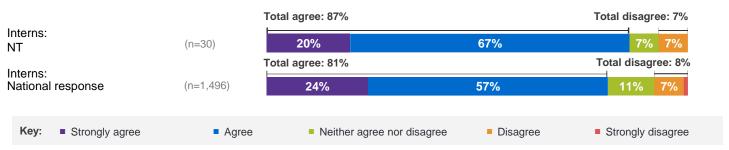


Base: Interns (NT: n = 31)

Note: Interns were shown other medical schools. ^This category contains less than 10 responses. The values have been suppressed to protect anonymity.

Q11c. Which medical school did you graduate from?

Overall I felt my medical school education was sufficient to prepare me to commence the role and responsibilities of an intern



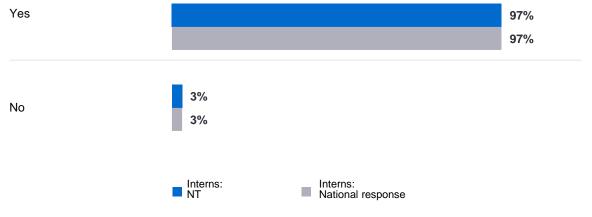
Base: Interns 2024

Q11d. Thinking about your internship experience so far, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statement?

Training curriculum - Interns

INTERNS IN NT WITH KNOWLEDGE OF THEIR INTERN EDUCATION PROGRAM...

97% of interns in the NT had an intern education program, which was a similar proportion to the national response for interns (97%).



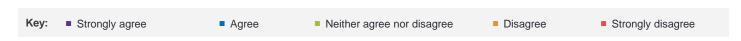
Base: Interns (National: 2024 n = 1,493; NT: 2024 n = 30)

Q12. Organisations that employ interns are required to provide them with a formal education program (such as grand rounds and weekly teaching sessions etc) in addition to work-based teaching and learning. Do you know about your intern education program?

INTERN EDUCATION PROGRAM

There are opportunities for me to meet the requirements of my intern education program in my current setting



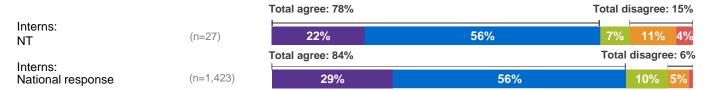


Base: Interns with an intern education program. National response is filtered to interns with an intern education program Q13. Thinking about your intern education program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

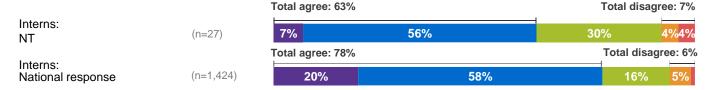
Training curriculum - Interns

INTERN EDUCATION PROGRAM (continued)

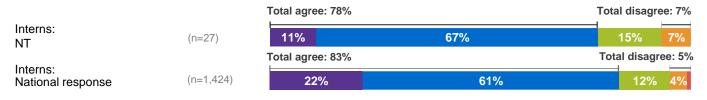
I understand what I need to do to meet my intern education program requirements

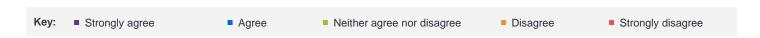


My intern education program is preparing me for future medical practice



My intern education program is advancing my knowledge



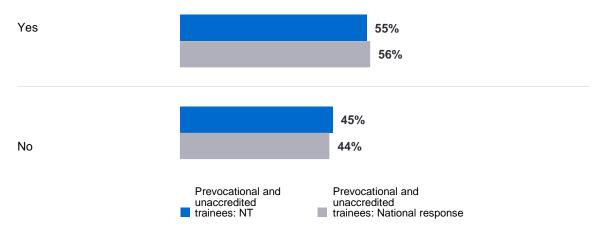


Base: Interns with an intern education program. National response is filtered to interns with an intern education program Q13. Thinking about your intern education program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Training curriculum - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

PREVOCATIONAL AND UNACCREDITED TRAINEES IN NT WITH A CURRENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN...

Prevocational and unaccredited trainees in the NT (55%) were as likely to have a training/professional development plan compared to the national response for prevocational and unaccredited trainees (56%).



Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees (National: 2024 n = 5,624; NT: 2024 n = 113)

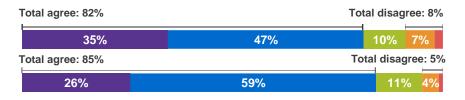
Q12. Do you have a professional development or training plan?

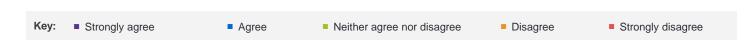
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN

There are opportunities for me to meet the requirements of my plan in my current setting

Prevocational and unaccredited trainees: NT (n=60)

Prevocational and unaccredited trainees: National response (n=3,071)





Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a professional development or training plan. National response is filtered to prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a professional development or training plan.

Q13. Thinking about your professional development or training plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Training curriculum - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN (continued)

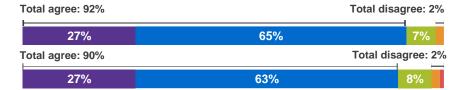
I understand what I need to do to meet my plan requirements

Prevocational and unaccredited trainees: NT

(n=60)

Prevocational and unaccredited trainees: National response

(n=3,072)



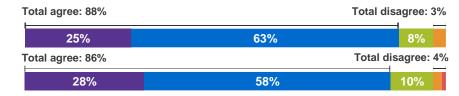
My plan is preparing me for future medical practice

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(n=60)

Prevocational and unaccredited trainees: National response

(n=3,072)



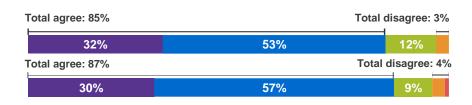
My plan is advancing my knowledge

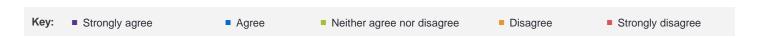
Prevocational and unaccredited

trainees: NT

Prevocational and unaccredited

trainees: National response (n=3,071)

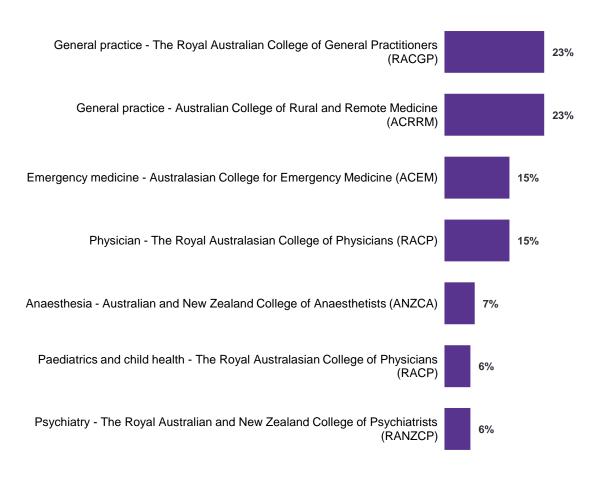




Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a training/professional development plan. National response is filtered to prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a professional development or training plan.

Q13. Thinking about your professional development or training plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

SPECIALIST TRAINING PROGRAM

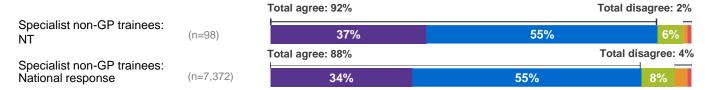


Base: Specialist trainees (NT: 2024 n = 186), fields with 10 or more responses shown.

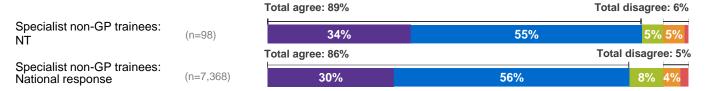
Q14. Which specialist training program(s) are you doing?

TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED BY COLLEGE

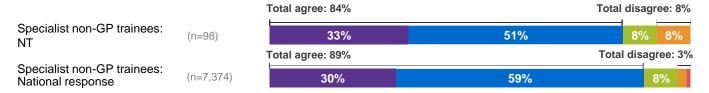
The College training program is relevant to my development



There are opportunities to meet the requirements of the training program in my current setting

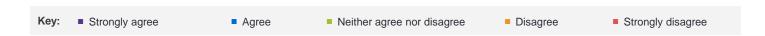


I understand what I need to do to meet my training program requirements



The College supports flexible training arrangements



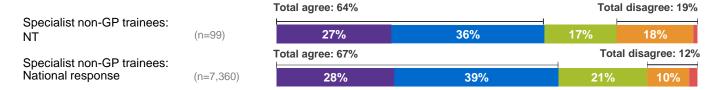


Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

Q21. Thinking about your [COLLEGE] training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Financial impact of training program

The financial cost of my College training program has led to stress

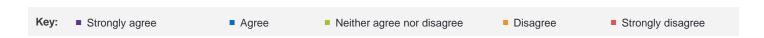


My College provides clear and accessible information about how my fees are spent



The cost of my College training program has been a barrier to my progression in the training program



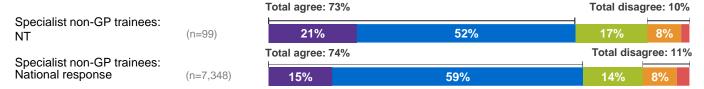


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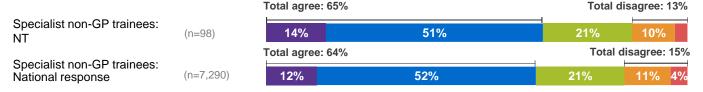
Q21a. Thinking about your [COLLEGE] training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

COMMUNICATION WITH COLLEGE

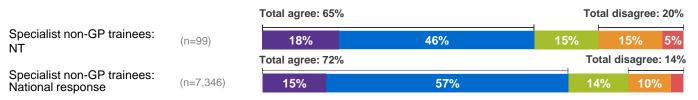
My College clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



My College clearly communicates with me about changes to my training program and how they affect me



I know who to contact at the College about my training program





Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

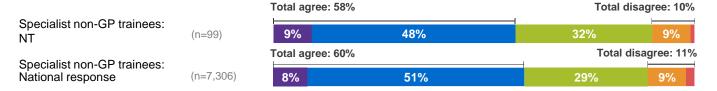
Q22. Thinking about how [COLLEGE] communicates with you about your training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

ENGAGEMENT WITH COLLEGE

The College seeks my views on the training program



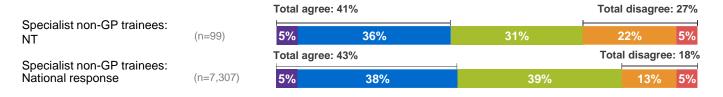
I am represented by doctors in training on the College's training and/or education committees

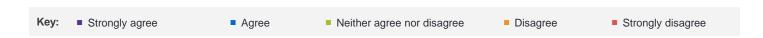


The College provides me with access to psychological and/or mental health support services



There are safe mechanisms for raising training/wellbeing concerns with the College

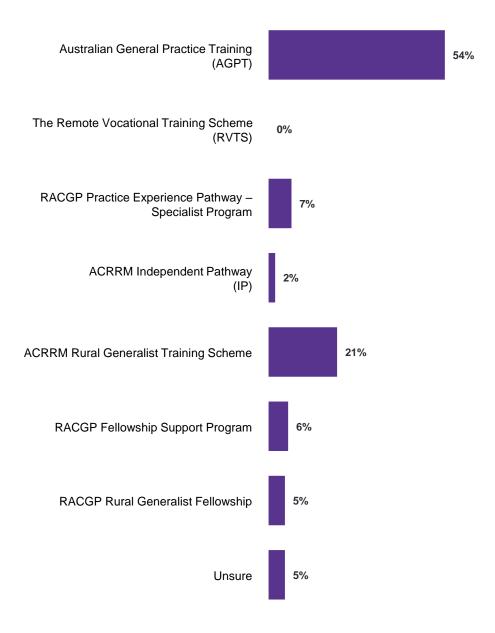




Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

Q25. Thinking about how [COLLEGE] engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

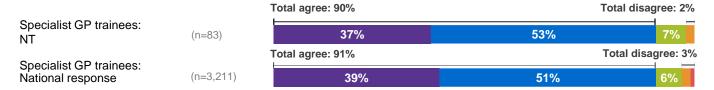
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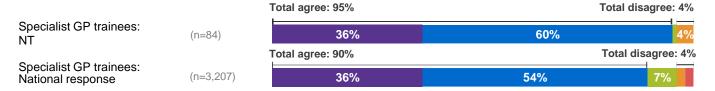
Base: Specialist GP trainees (NT: 2024 n = 84) Which training program are you in?:

TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED BY COLLEGE

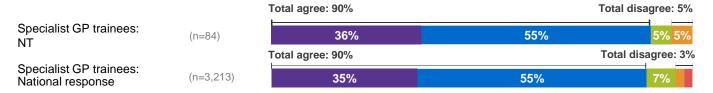
The College training program is relevant to my development



There are opportunities to meet the requirements of the training program in my current setting

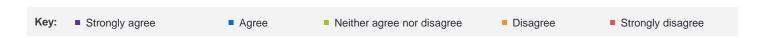


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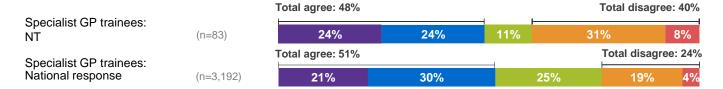


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My College provides clear and accessible information about how my fees are spent



The cost of my College training program has been a barrier to my progression in the training program



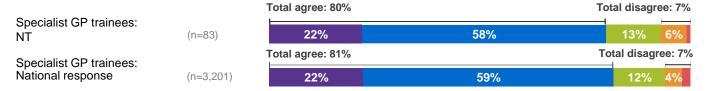


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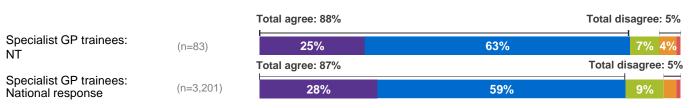
My College clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



My College clearly communicates with me about changes to my training program and how they affect me



I know who to contact at the College about my training program



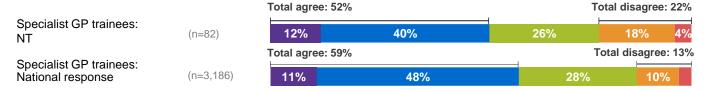


Base: Specialist GP trainees

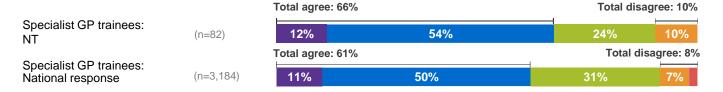
Q22. Thinking about how [COLLEGE] communicates with you about your training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

ENGAGEMENT WITH COLLEGE

The College seeks my views on the training program



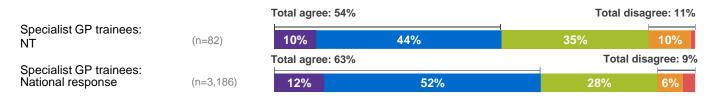
I am represented by doctors in training on the College's training and/or education committees

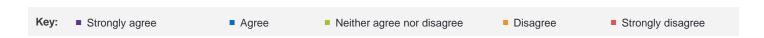


The College provides me with access to psychological and/or mental health support services



There are safe mechanisms for raising training/wellbeing concerns with the College





Base: Specialist GP trainees

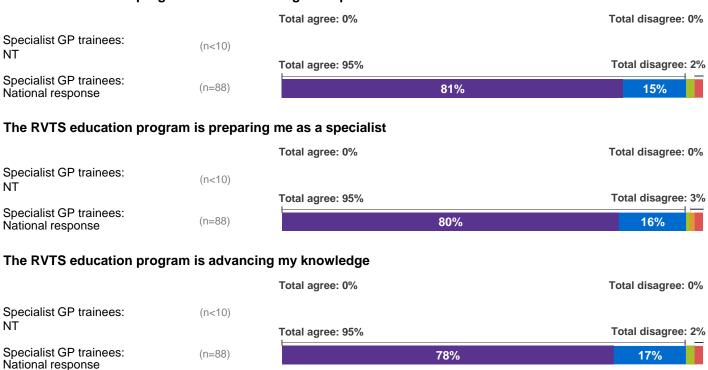
Q25. Thinking about how [COLLEGE] engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

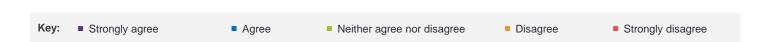
TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED BY RVTS

Specialist GP trainees can be both enrolled in the RVTS as well as their specialist college (such as Australian College of Rural and Remote Medicine (ACRRM) and/or Royal Australian College of General Practitioners (RACGP)).

Among the specialist GP trainees, 3% were enrolled with RVTS and were shown the questions over the next three pages.

The RVTS education program meets the College/s requirements





Base: Specialist GP trainees taking part in the Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS)

Q18b. Thinking about the RVTS training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

COMMUNICATION WITH RVTS

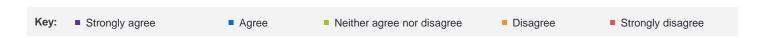
The RVTS clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



The RVTS clearly communicates with me about changes to my training program and how they affect me





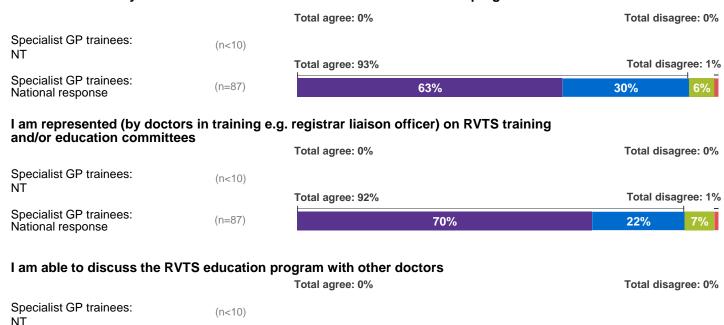


Base: Specialist GP trainees taking part in the Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS)

Q19b. Thinking about how the RVTS communicates with you about your training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

ENGAGEMENT WITH REMOTE VOCATIONAL TRAINING SCHEME (RVTS)

The RVTS seeks my views on the structure and content of the education program



The RVTS provides me with access to psychological and/or mental health support services

(n=87)

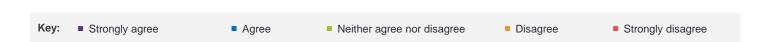
Total agree: 95%



75%

Total disagree: 2%

21%



Base: Specialist GP trainees taking part in the Remote Vocational Training Scheme (RVTS)

Q20b. Thinking about how RVTS engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

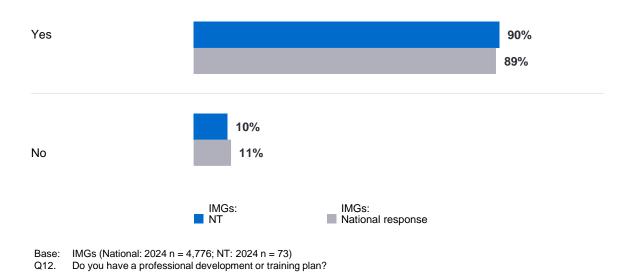
Specialist GP trainees:

National response

Training curriculum - International medical graduates (IMGs)

IMGs IN NT WITH A CURRENT PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN...

IMGs in the NT (90%) were as likely to have a training/professional development plan compared to the national response for IMGs (89%).



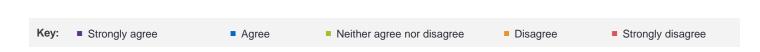
PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN

There are opportunities for me to meet the requirements of my plan in my current setting



I understand what I need to do to meet my plan requirements



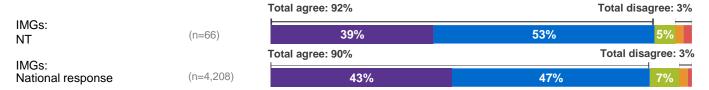


Base: IMGs with a training/professional development plan. National response is filtered to IMGs with professional development or training plan. Q13. Thinking about your professional development or training plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

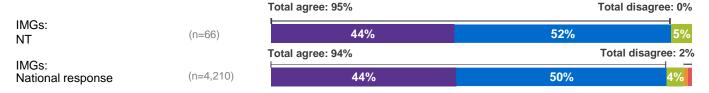
Training curriculum - International medical graduates (IMGs)

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN (continued)

My plan is preparing me to be a doctor/specialist in the Australian healthcare system*

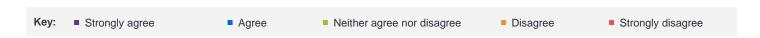


My plan is preparing me for future medical practice



My plan is advancing my knowledge





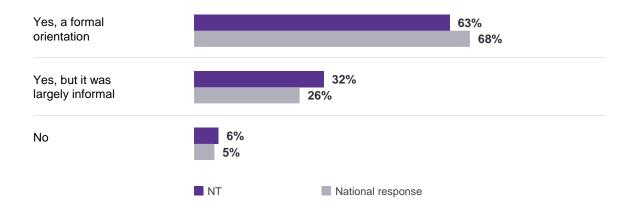
Base: IMGs with a professional development or training plan. National response is filtered to IMGs with a professional development or training plan. *Note: This question was only asked of IMGs.

Q13. Thinking about your professional development or training plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Orientation

DID YOU RECEIVE AN ORIENTATION TO YOUR SETTING?

Doctors in training were asked questions about their experiences in their workplace. This could be the doctor in training's current setting, workplace, placement or rotation, or might be a previous setting, if they had only been practising or training in their current setting for less than two weeks.



Base: Total sample (National: 2024 n = 22,189; NT: 2024 n = 394)

Q27a. Did you receive an orientation to your setting?

HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR ORIENTATION?



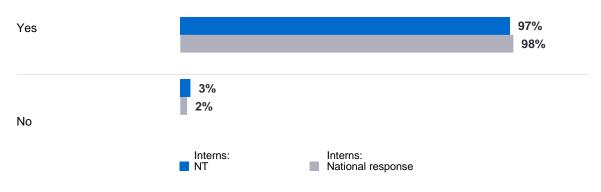


Base: Received an orientation

Q27b. How would you rate the quality of your orientation?

Assessment - Interns

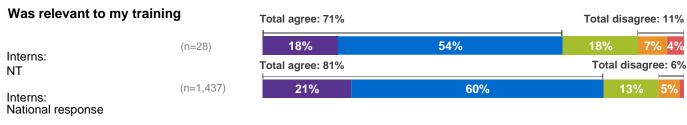
IN THE LAST TERM THAT YOU COMPLETED, DID YOU RECEIVE AN END OF TERM ASSESSMENT?



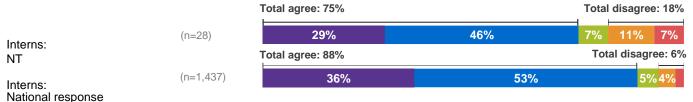
Base: Interns (National: 2024 n = 1,473; NT: 2024 n = 30)

Q26a. Did you receive an assessment for your previous rotation?

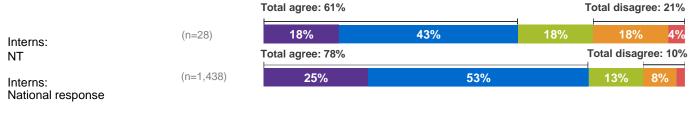
ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION FROM PREVIOUS ROTATION...



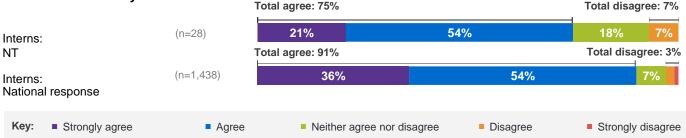
Included an opportunity to discuss feedback with my supervisor



Provided me with useful feedback about my progress as an intern





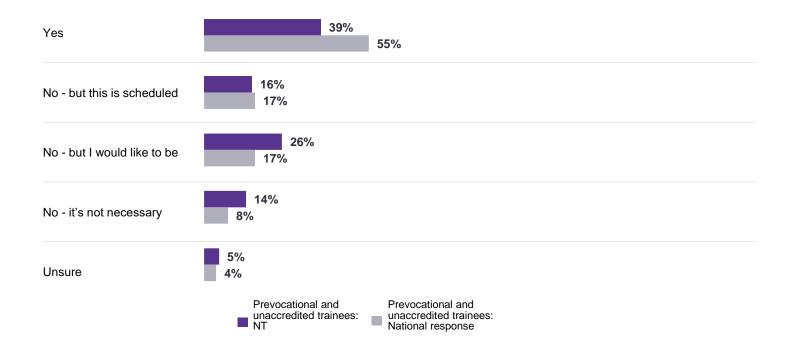


Base: Had an assessment

Q26b. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? The assessment from my previous rotation...

Assessment - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?

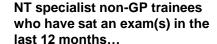


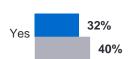
Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees (National: 2024 n = 5,404 NT: 2024 n = 110)

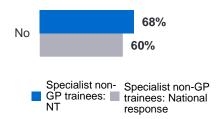
Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

Assessment - Specialist non-GP trainees

COLLEGE EXAMS

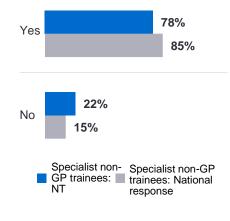






Specialist non-GP trainees (National: 2024 n = 7,372; NT: 2024 n = 99) Q23a. In the last 12 months, have you sat one or more exams from ...?

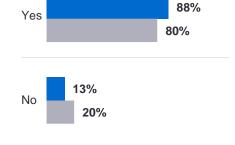
Of those who sat an exam(s) receive their results...



Sat an exam (National: 2024 n = 2,911; NT: 2024 n = 32) Q23b. Have you received the results of your

most recent exam from ...?

Of those who received results, passed their exam(s)...



Received results (National: 2024 n = 2,316; NT: 2024 n = 24)

GP trainees: trainees: National

response

Specialist non-GP

Q23c. Did you pass the exam for ...?

Specialist non-

NT

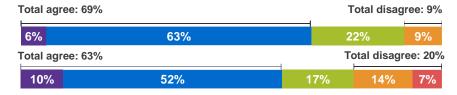
The exam(s) reflected the college training curriculum

Specialist non-GP trainees: (n=32)

Specialist non-GP trainees:

National response

(n=2,880)



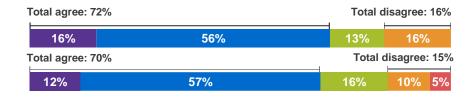
The information the college provided about the exam(s) was accurate and appropriate

Specialist non-GP trainees: (n=32)NT

Specialist non-GP trainees:

National response

(n=2,883)



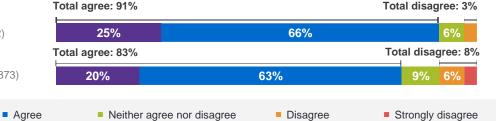
The exam(s) ran smoothly on the day

Specialist non-GP trainees:

Strongly agree

(n=32)

Specialist non-GP trainees: National response (n=2,873)



Base: Specialist non-GP trainees who sat an exam

Thinking about all your [COLLEGE] exam(s) not just the most recent, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Ω24.

Key:

Assessment - Specialist non-GP trainees

COLLEGE EXAMS (continued)

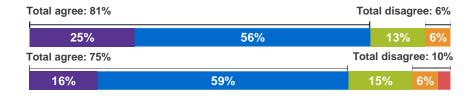
The exam(s) were conducted fairly

Specialist non-GP trainees:

(n=32)

Specialist non-GP trainees: National response

(n=2,873)



I received useful feedback about my performance in the exam(s)

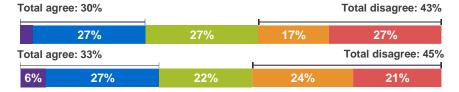
Specialist non-GP trainees:

NT

(n=30)

Specialist non-GP trainees: National response

(n=2,594)



The feedback is timely

Specialist non-GP trainees:

NT

Specialist non-GP trainees:

National response

(n=2,560)

(n=28)



I received support from my College when needed

Specialist non-GP trainees:

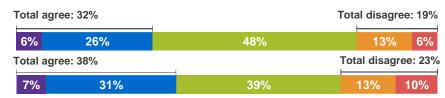
NT

Specialist non-GP trainees:

National response

(n=2,353)

(n=31)



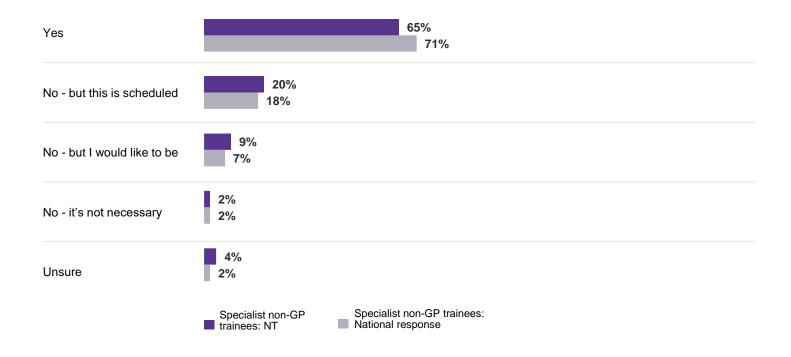


Base: Specialist non-GP trainees who sat an exam

Thinking about all your [COLLEGE] exam(s) not just the most recent, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Ω24.

Assessment - Specialist non-GP trainees

HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?

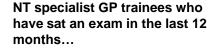


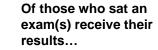
Base: Specialist non-GP trainees (National: 2024 n = 7,189; NT: 2024 n = 97)

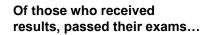
Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

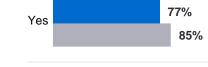
COLLEGE EXAMS



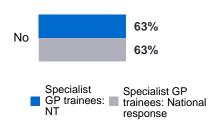


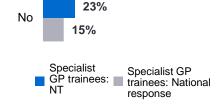


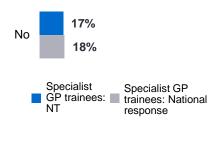












Specialist GP trainees (National: 2024 n = Base: 3,211; NT: 2024 n = 83) In the last 12 months, have you sat

one or more exams from ...?

Base: Sat an exam (National: 2024 n = 1,190; NT: 2024 n = 31) Q23b. Have you received the results of your

NT: 2024 n = 24) Did you pass the exam for ...?

Received results (National: 2024 n = 903;

most recent exam from ...?

The exam(s) reflected the college training curriculum

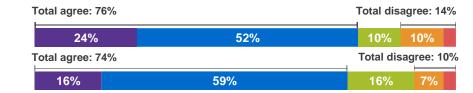
(n=29)

(n=29)

Specialist GP trainees:

Specialist GP trainees:

(n=1,169)National response



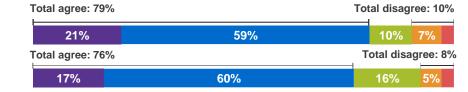
Base:

The information the college provided about the exam(s) was accurate and appropriate

Specialist GP trainees: NT

Specialist GP trainees:

(n=1,173)National response



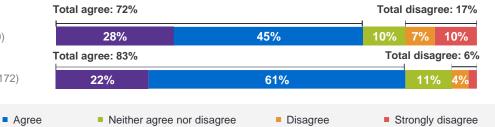
The exam(s) ran smoothly on the day

Specialist GP trainees: NT

(n=29)

Specialist GP trainees: National response

(n=1,172)



Base: Specialist GP trainees who sat an exam

Strongly agree

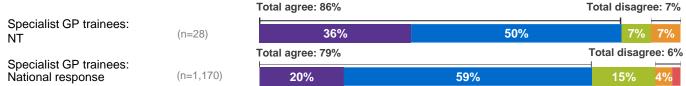
Thinking about all your [COLLEGE] exam(s) not just the most recent, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? Ω24.

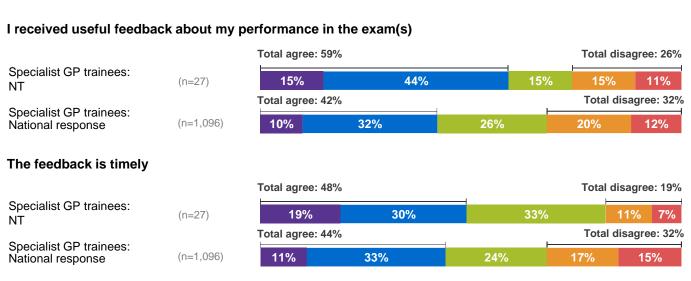
Key:

Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

COLLEGE EXAMS (continued)

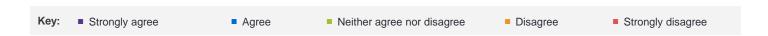
The exam(s) were conducted fairly





I received support from my College when needed



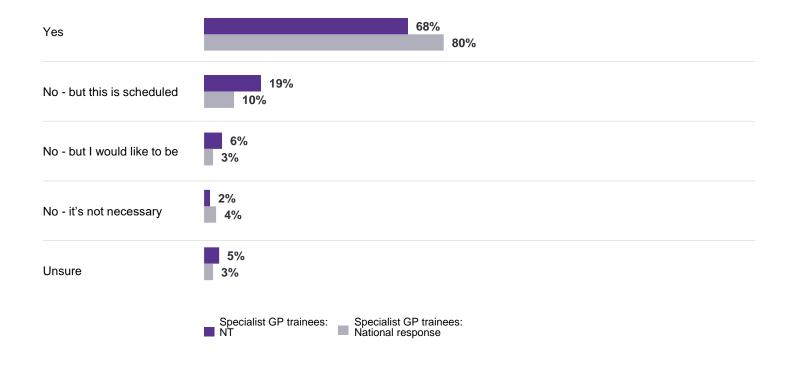


Base: Specialist GP trainees who sat an exam

Q24. Thinking about all your [COLLEGE] exam(s) not just the most recent, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?

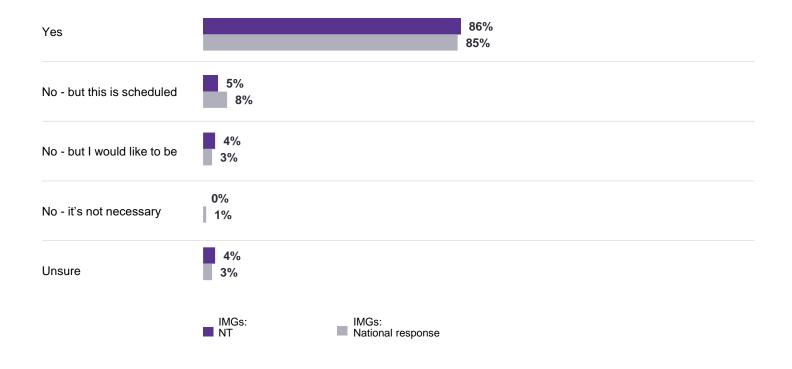


Base: Specialist GP trainees (National: 2024 n = 3,150; NT: 2024 n = 81)

Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

Assessment - International medical graduates (IMGs)

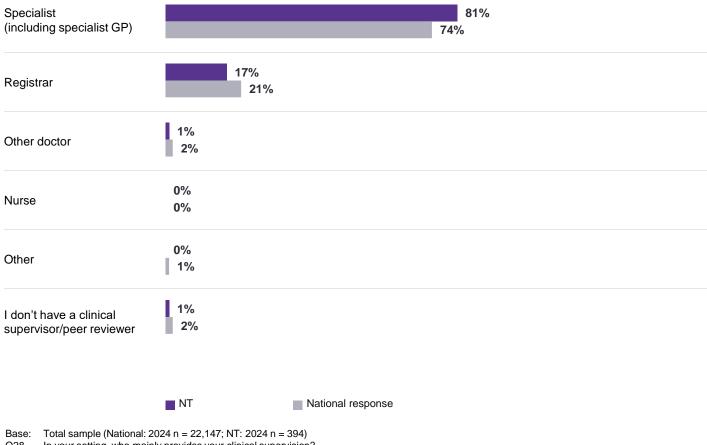
HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?



Base: IMGs (National: 2024 n = 4,670; NT: 2024 n = 73)
Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

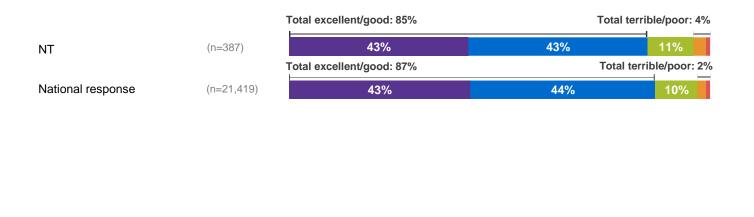
Clinical supervision

WHO MAINLY PROVIDES YOUR CLINICAL SUPERVISION?



Q28. In your setting, who mainly provides your clinical supervision?

HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR SUPERVISION?



Base: Received supervision

■ Excellent

For your setting, how would you rate the quality of your clinical supervision? Q31.

Good

Key:

Average

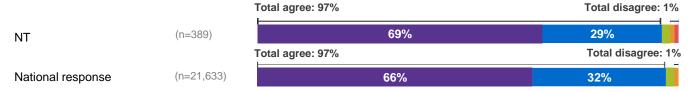
Poor

Terrible

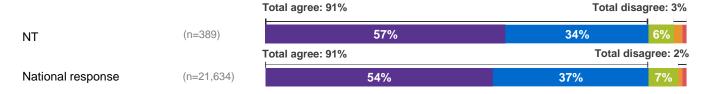
Clinical supervision

IF CLINICAL SUPERVISOR(S) ARE NOT AVAILABLE...

I am able to contact other senior medical staff IN HOURS if I am concerned about a patient



I am able to contact other senior medical staff AFTER HOURS if I am concerned about a patient





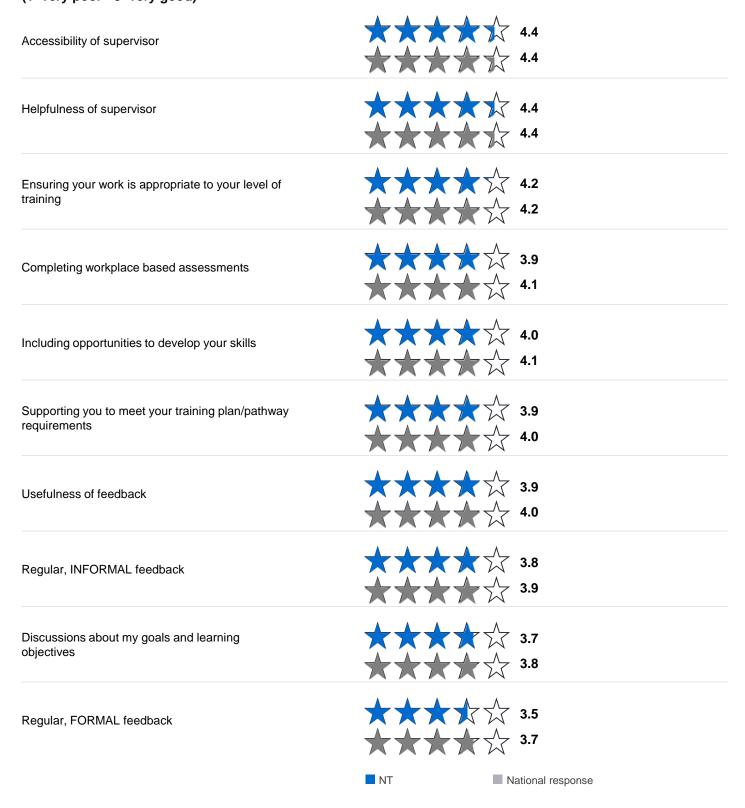
Base: Total sample

Q29. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Clinical supervision

HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR OVERALL CLINICAL SUPERVISION FOR:

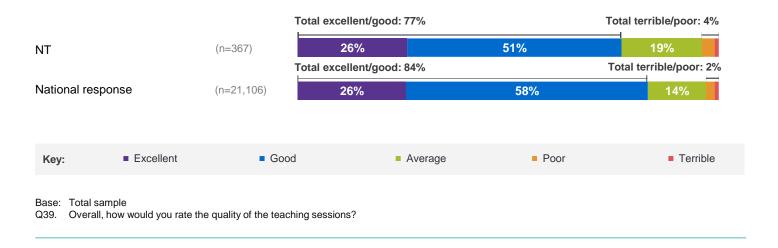
Average out of 5 (1=very poor - 5=very good)



Base: Have a supervisor (National: 2024 max n = 21,062; NT: 2024 max n = 381)

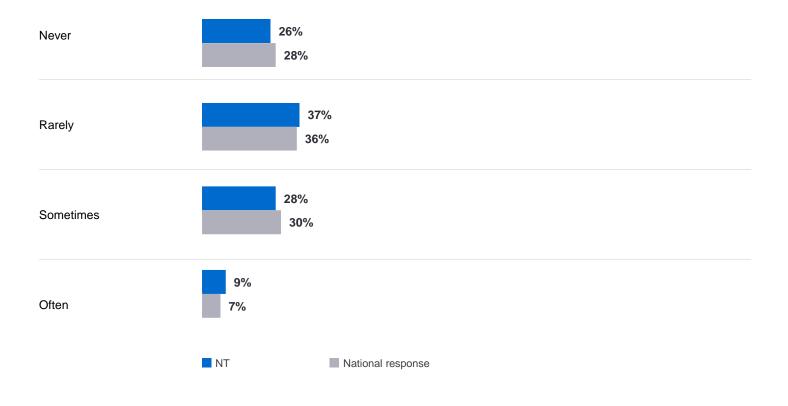
Q30. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your overall clinical supervision for...?

OVERALL, HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF THE TEACHING SESSIONS?



TRAINING AND OTHER JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

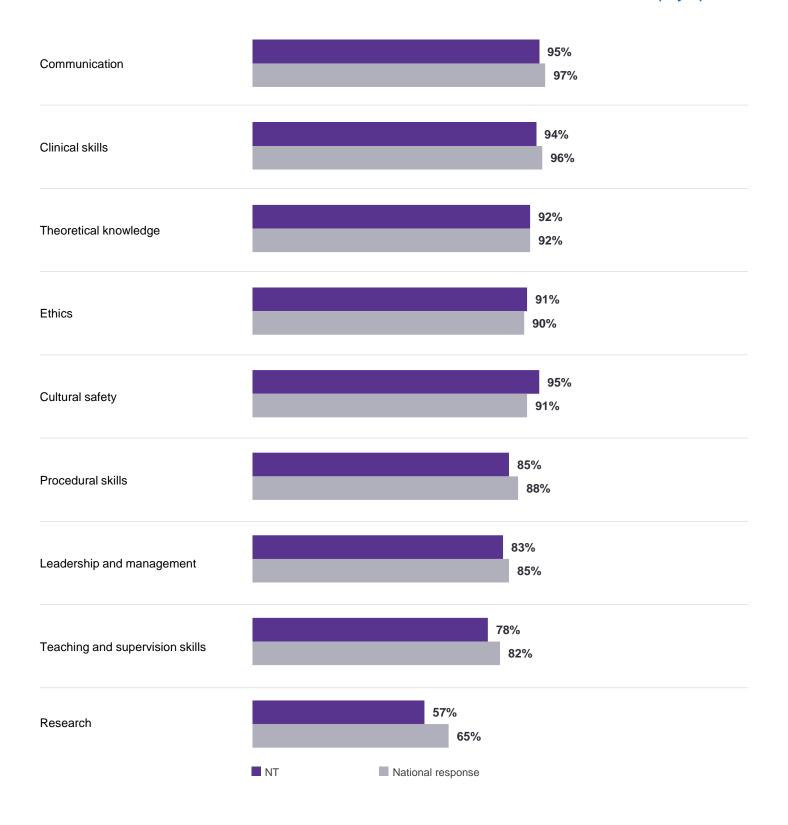
How regularly job responsibilities are preventing doctors in training from meeting training requirements



Base: Total sample (National: 2024 n = 21,394; NT: 2024 n = 378)

Q36. Which of the following statements best describes the interaction between your training requirements and the responsibilities of your job? My job responsibilities...

DO YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP YOUR KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS IN: (% yes)

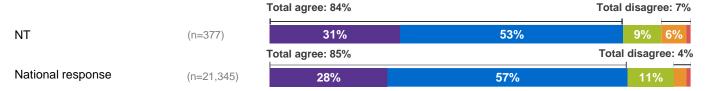


Base: Total sample (National: 2024 max n = 21,411 NT: 2024 max n = 383)

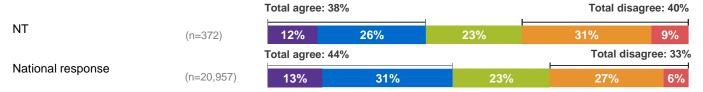
Q35. Thinking about the development of your knowledge and skills, in your setting, do you have sufficient opportunities to develop your...?

DEVELOPMENT OF CLINICAL AND PRACTICAL SKILLS

I can access the training opportunities available to me



I have to compete with other doctors for access to opportunities



I have to compete with other health professionals for access to opportunities



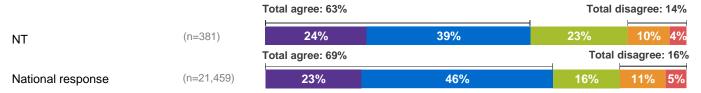


Base: Total sample

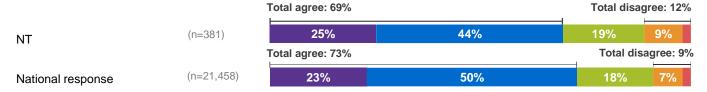
Q33. Thinking about the development of your skills, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

ACCESS TO TEACHING AND RESEARCH

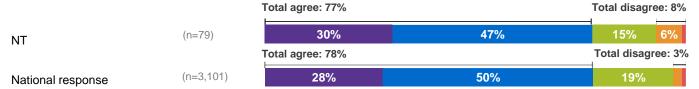
I have access to protected study time/leave



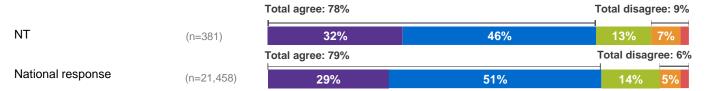
I am able to attend conferences, courses and/or external education events



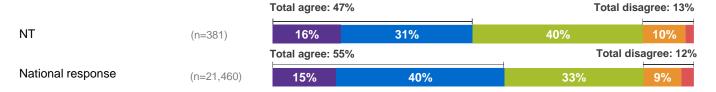
My GP supervisor supports me to attend formal and informal teaching sessions^

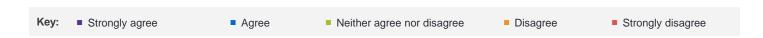


My employer supports me to attend formal and informal teaching sessions



I am able participate in research activities





Base: Total sample

Note: These questions were only asked of Specialist GP trainees, as such, data is filtered to Specialist GP trainees

Q34. Thinking about access to teaching and research in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

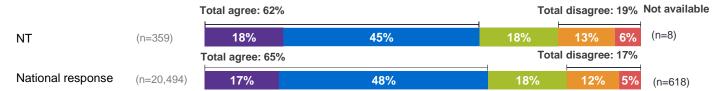
THE FOLLOWING EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN USEFUL IN YOUR DEVELOPMENT AS A DOCTOR

NT trainees were asked their level of agreement on whether an educational activity had been useful in their development as a doctor. Of the educational activities available, teaching in the course of patient care (bedside teaching) (89%), team or unit based activities (83%), formal education program (82%) and simulation teaching (82%) were rated the most useful.

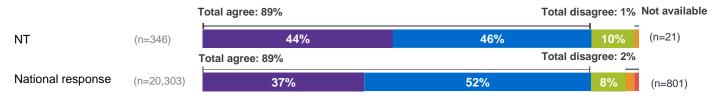
Formal education program[^]



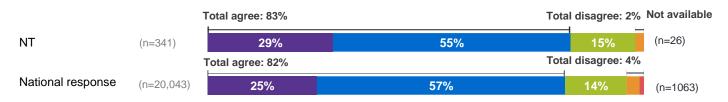
Online modules (formal and/or informal)

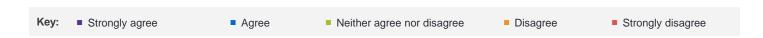


Teaching in the course of patient care (bedside teaching)



Team or unit based activities





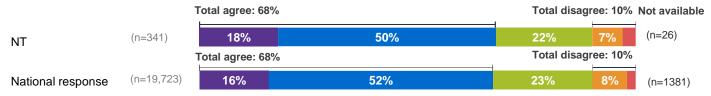
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Note: This question was not shown to Interns.

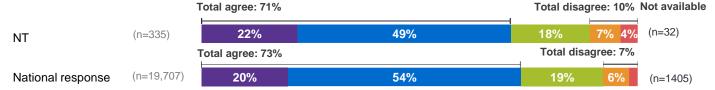
Q38. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the following educational activities have been useful in your development as a doctor?

THE FOLLOWING EDUCATIONAL ACTIVITIES HAVE BEEN USEFUL IN YOUR DEVELOPMENT AS A DOCTOR (continued)

Medical/surgical and/or hospital-wide meetings



Multidisciplinary meetings



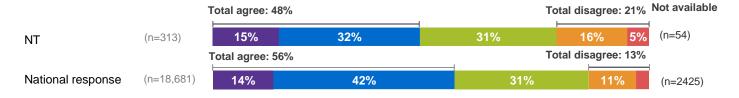
Simulation teaching

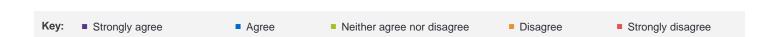


Access to mentoring



Practice based audits





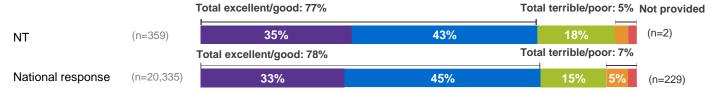
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Q38. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the following educational activities have been useful in your development as a doctor?

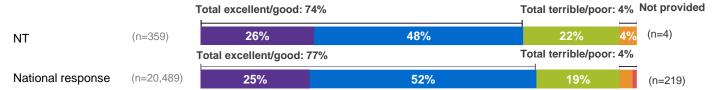
Facilities

HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR SETTING?

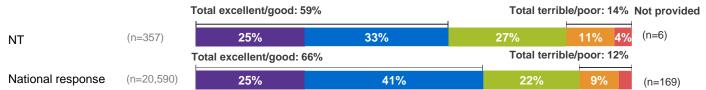
Reliable internet for training purposes



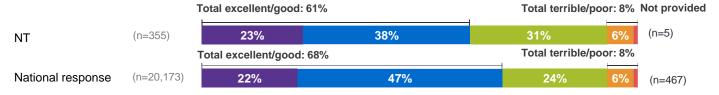
Educational resources



Working space, such as a desk and computer



Teaching spaces



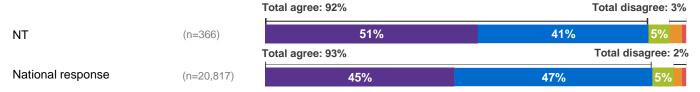


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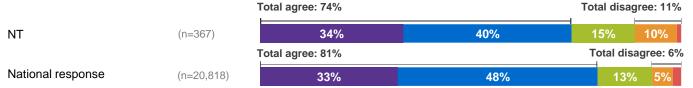
Q40. How would you rate the quality of the following in your setting?

CULTURE WITHIN THE TRAINEE'S SETTING

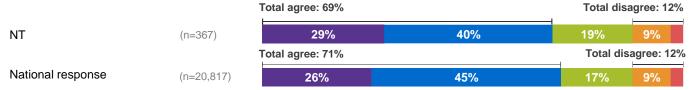




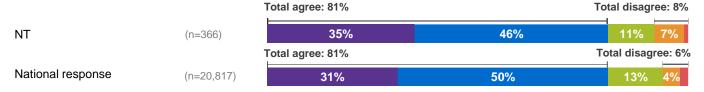
My workplace supports staff wellbeing



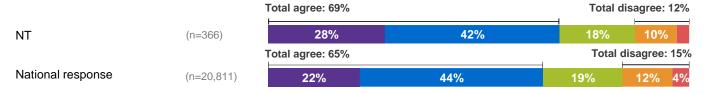
In practice, my workplace supports me to achieve a good work/life balance



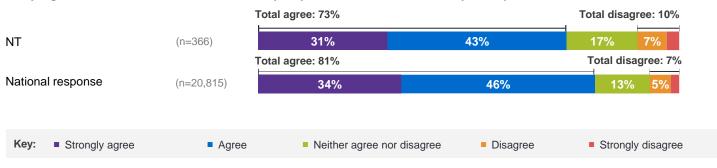
There is a positive culture at my workplace



I have a good work/life balance



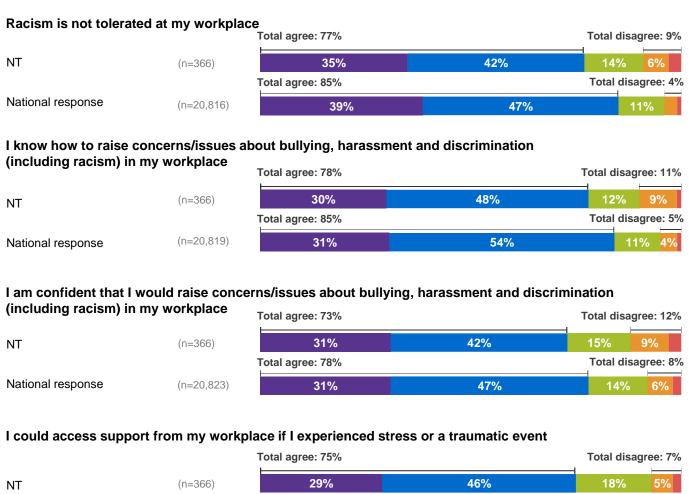
Bullying, harassment and discrimination by anyone is not tolerated at my workplace

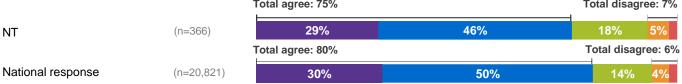


Base: Total sample

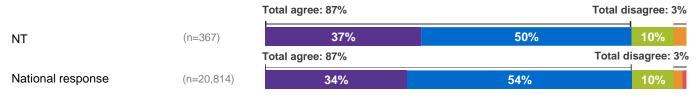
Q41. Thinking about the workplace environment and culture in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

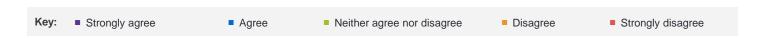
CULTURE WITHIN THE TRAINEE'S SETTING (continued)





Most senior allied health and nursing staff are supportive



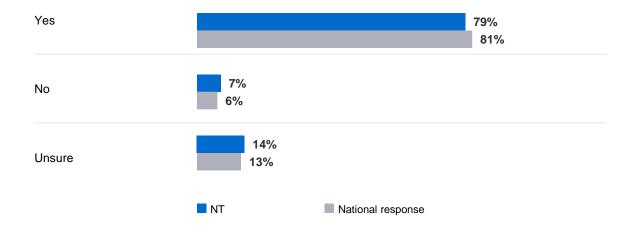


Base: Total sample

Q41. Thinking about the workplace environment and culture in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Workplace environment and culture

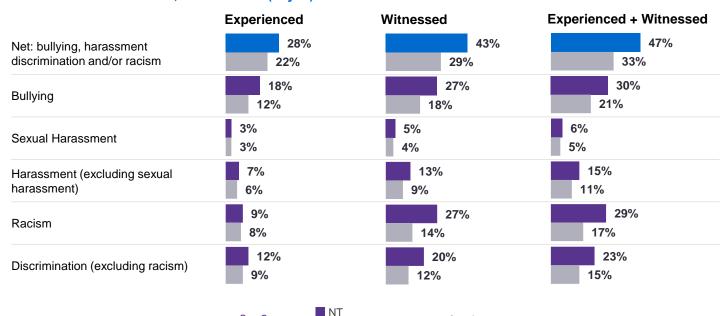
IF YOU NEEDED SUPPORT, DO YOU KNOW HOW TO ACCESS SUPPORT FOR YOUR HEALTH (INCLUDING FOR STRESS AND OTHER PSYCHOLOGICAL DISTRESS)?



Base: Total sample (National: 2024 n = 20,527; NT: 2024 n = 361)

Q43. If you needed support, do you know how to access support for your health (including for stress and other psychological distress)?

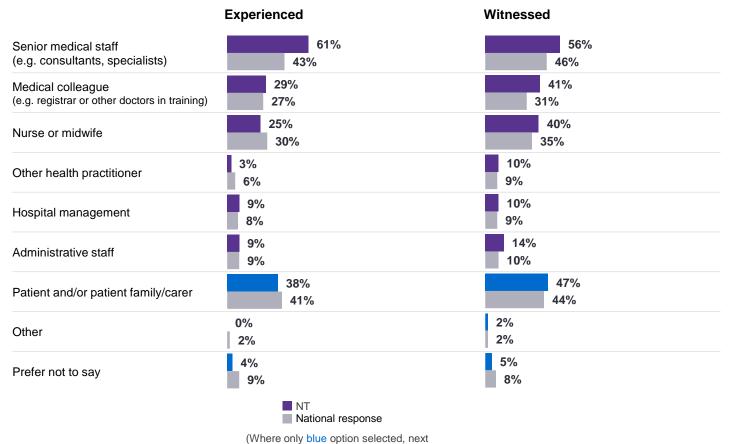
IN THE PAST 12 MONTHS, HAVE YOU... (% yes)



total of purple options)

■ National response (Blue figure shows Net

WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE...



Base: Total sample - Experienced (National: 2024 n = 18,217; NT: 2024 n = 300) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 18,998; NT: 2024 n = 333)

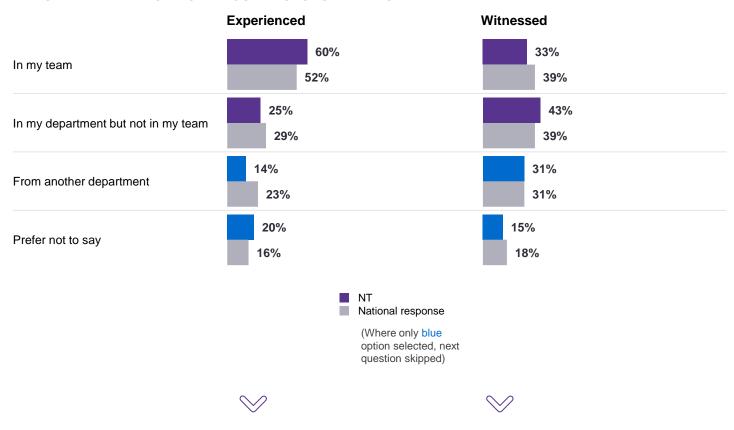
Q42a. Thinking about your workplace, have you experienced and/or witnessed any of the following in the past 12 months?

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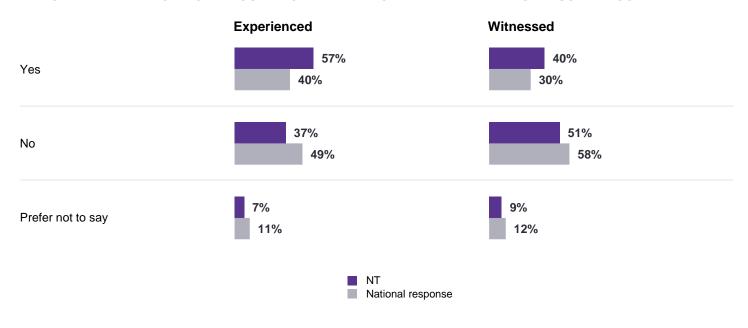
Base: Experienced/witnessed bullying, harassment sexual harassment, discrimination and/or racism - Experienced (National: 2024 n = 3,907; NT: 2024 n = 80) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 5,385; NT: 2024 n = 139)

Q42b. Who was responsible for the bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism that you experienced/witnessed...

THE STAFF MEMBER OR COLLEAGUE RESPONSIBLE WAS...



THE STAFF MEMBER OR COLLEAGUE FROM MY TEAM OR DEPARTMENT WAS MY SUPERVISOR...



Base: Experienced bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism from someone who was not a patient (National: 2024 n = 2,865 NT: 2024 n = 65) -

Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 4,021; NT: 2024 n = 114)

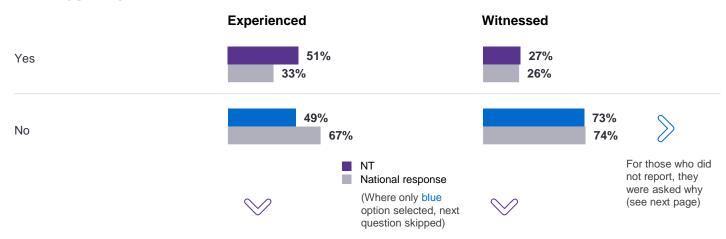
Q42c. The person(s) responsible was...

Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism from someone in their team or department (rebased to who was not a patient)

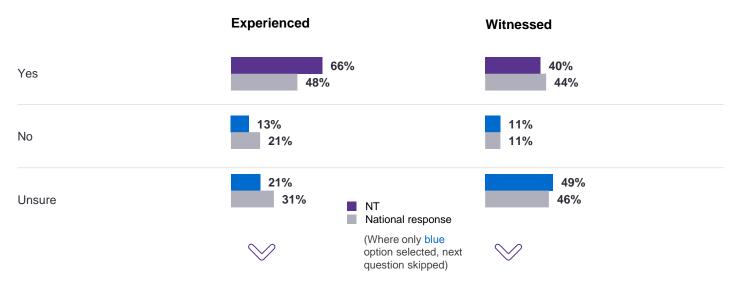
(National: 2024 n = 2,040; NT: 2024 n = 46) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,631; NT: 2024 n = 78)

Q42d. Was the person(s) one of your supervisors?...

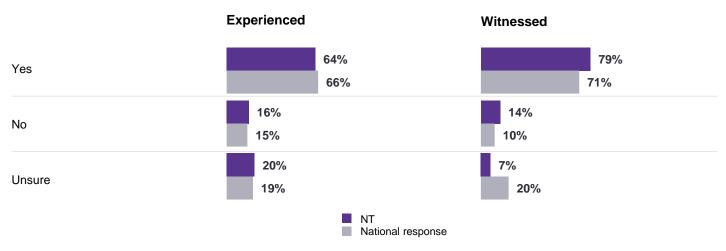
HAVE YOU REPORTED IT...



HAS THE REPORT BEEN FOLLOWED UP...



ARE YOU SATISFIED WITH HOW THIS REPORT WAS FOLLOWED UP...

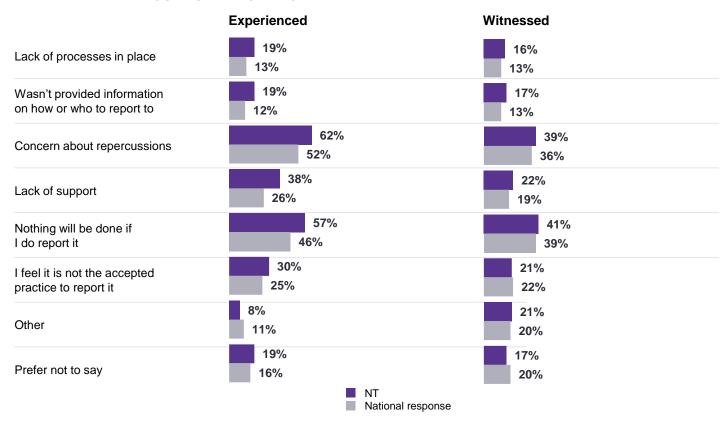


Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism (National: 2024 n = 3,835; NT: 2024 n = 76) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 5,248; NT: 2024 n = 135) | Q42e. Have you reported it?

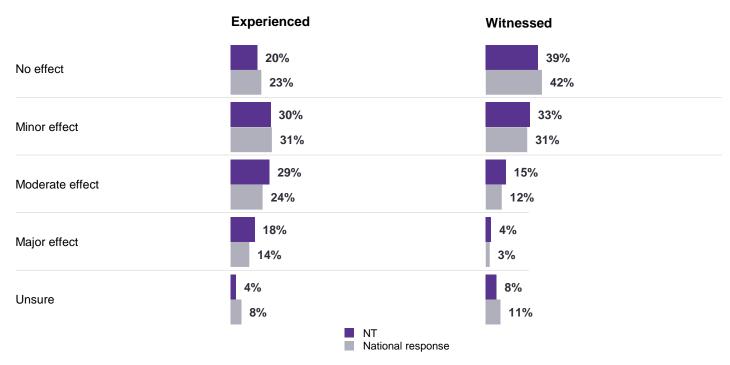
Base: Reported bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism (National: 2024 n = 1,249; NT: 2024 n = 38) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 1,379; NT: 2024 n = 35) | Q42f. Has the report been followed up?

ase: Reported bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism who reported the incident and followed it up (National: 2024 n = 591; NT: 2024 n = 25) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 593; NT: 2024 n = 14) | Q42g.Are you satisfied with how the report was followed up?

WHAT PREVENTED YOU FROM REPORTING...



HAS THIS INCIDENT ADVERSELY AFFECTED YOUR MEDICAL TRAINING...



Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism and did not report it. (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n = 37) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 2,561; NT: 2024 n =

2024 n = 3,830; NT: 2024 n = 98)

Q42i. What prevented you from reporting?

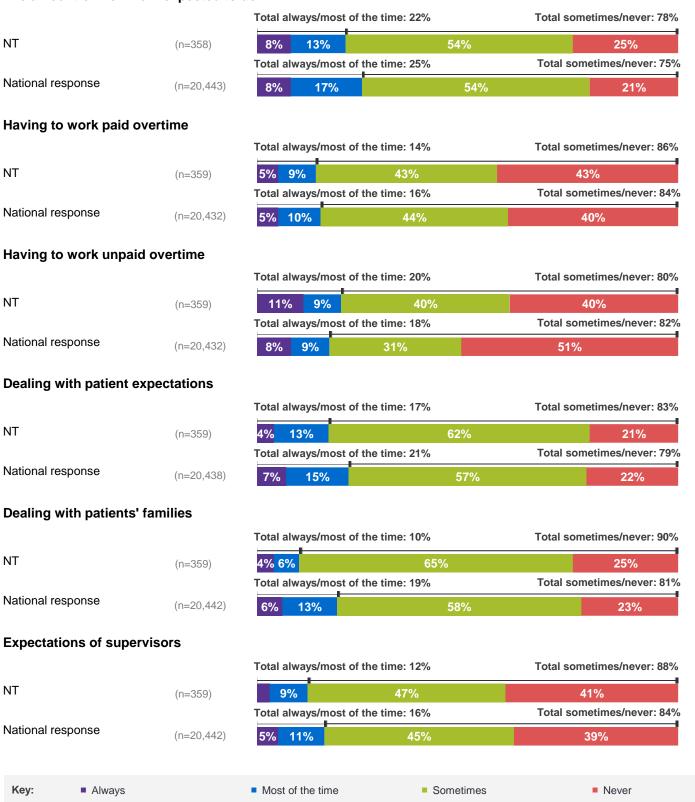
Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism (National: 2024 n = 3,921; NT: 2024 n = 80) - Witnessed (National: 2024 n = 5,376; NT:

2024 n = 138)

Q42h. How has the incident adversely affected your medical training?

HOW OFTEN DO THE FOLLOWING ADVERSELY AFFECT YOUR WELLBEING IN YOUR SETTING?

The amount of work I am expected to do

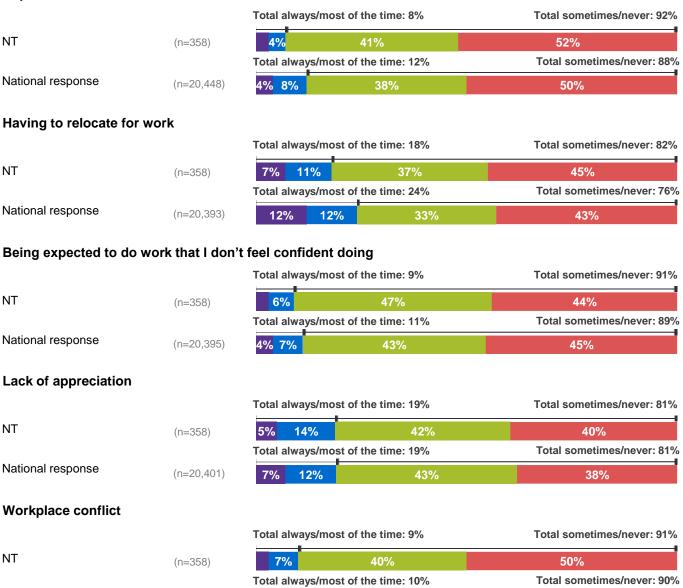


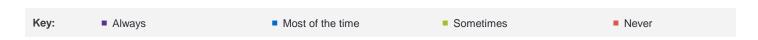
Base: Total sample

Q44. How often do the following adversely affect your wellbeing in your setting?

HOW OFTEN DO THE FOLLOWING ADVERSELY AFFECT YOUR WELLBEING IN YOUR SETTING? (continued)

Supervisor feedback





40%

50%

Base: Total sample

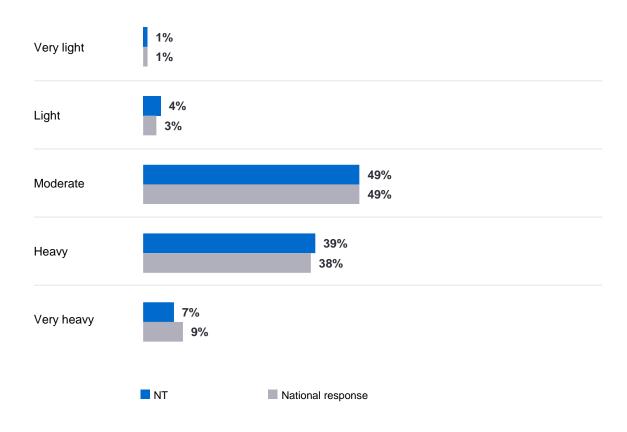
National response

Q44. How often do the following adversely affect your wellbeing in your setting?

(n=20.404)

4% 6%

HOW WOULD YOU RATE YOUR WORKLOAD IN YOUR SETTING?



Base: Total sample (National: 2024 n = 20,339; NT: 2024 n = 357) Q45. How would you rate your workload in your setting?

ON AVERAGE IN THE PAST MONTH, HOW MANY HOURS PER WEEK HAVE YOU WORKED?

On average, NT trainees worked 44.6 hours a week, compared to 44.8 hours a week for the national average.

For NT trainees, 63% were working 40 hours a week or more, compared to the national response of 62%.

On average, NT doctors in training worked...

On average, doctors in training nationally worked...

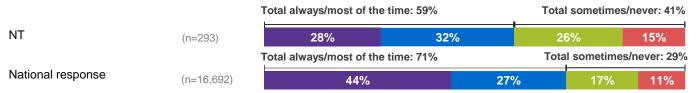


Base: Total sample (National: 2024 n = 20,358; NT: 2024 n = 356). Sample includes respondents who are employed full-time, part-time and casually.

Q46. On average in the past month, how many hours per week have you worked?

FOR ANY UNROSTERED OVERTIME YOU HAVE COMPLETED IN THE PAST, HOW OFTEN DID:

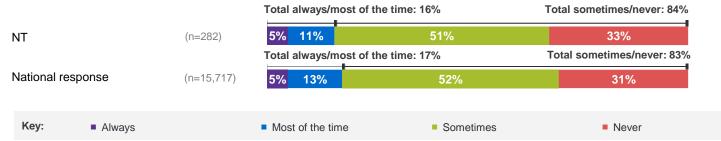
You get paid for the unrostered overtime



Working unrostered overtime have a negative impact on your training



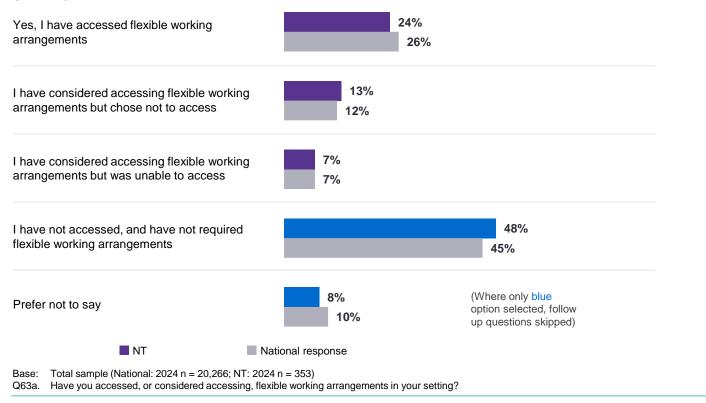
Working unrostered overtime provide you with more training opportunities



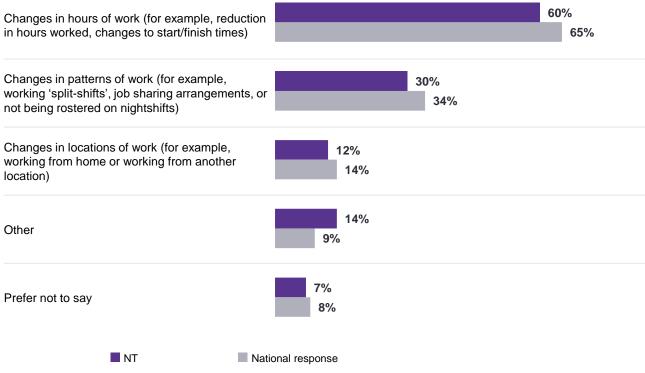
Base: Total sample

Q47. For any unrostered overtime you have completed in the past, how often did...?

HAVE YOU ACCESSED, OR CONSIDERED ACCESSING, FLEXIBLE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS IN YOUR SETTING?



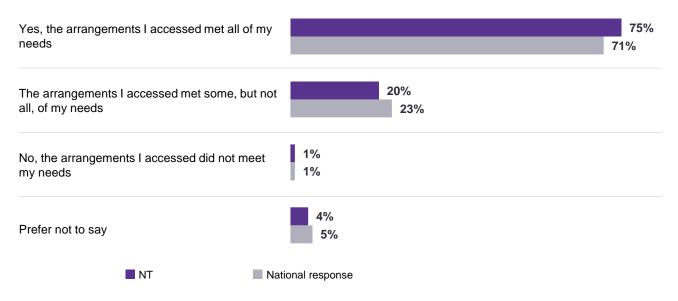
WHAT SORT OF FLEXIBLE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS DID YOU ACCESS/WOULD YOU HAVE LIKED TO ACCESS:



Base: Accessed, or would like to have access to flexible working arrangements (National: 2024 n = 8,989; NT: 2024 n = 155)

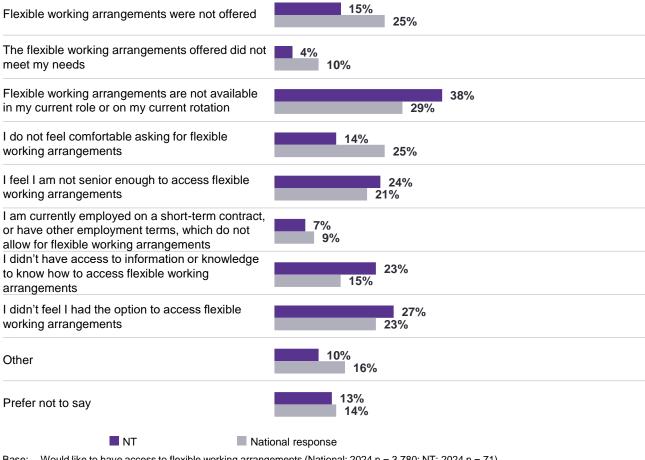
Q64. What sort of flexible working arrangements did you access / What sort of flexible working arrangements would you have liked to access?

DID THE FLEXIBLE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS YOU ACCESSED IN YOUR SETTING MEET YOUR NEEDS



Base: Accessed flexible working arrangements (National: 2024 n = 5,196; NT: 2024 n = 84) Q63b. Did the flexible working arrangements you accessed in your setting meet your needs?

WHY HAVE YOU CHOSEN NOT TO ACCESS, OR BEEN UNABLE TO ACCESS, FLEXIBLE WORKING ARRANGEMENTS IN YOUR SETTING?

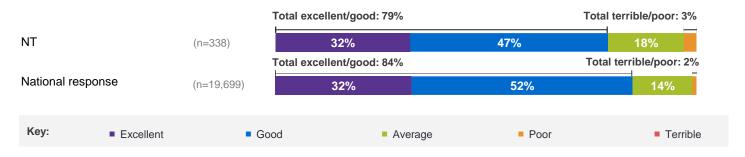


Base: Would like to have access to flexible working arrangements (National: 2024 n = 3,780; NT: 2024 n = 71)

Q63c. Why have you chosen not to access, or been unable to access, flexible working arrangements in your setting?

Patient safety

HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR TRAINING ON HOW TO RAISE CONCERNS ABOUT PATIENT SAFETY?



Base: Received training on how to raise concerns about patient safety

Q48. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your training on how to raise concerns about patient safety?

I did not receive training on how to raise concerns about patient safety

NT 4%

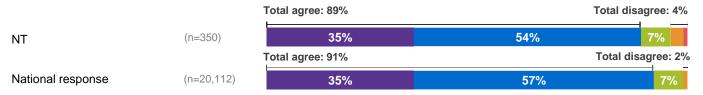
National response 3%

Base: Total Sample (National: 2024 n = 20,213; NT: 2024 n = 351)

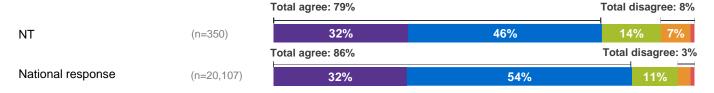
Q48. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your training on how to raise concerns about patient safety?

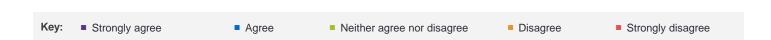
PATIENT CARE AND SAFETY IN THE WORKPLACE

I know how to report concerns about patient care and safety



There is a culture of proactively dealing with concerns about patient care and safety





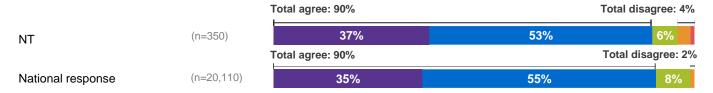
Base: Total sample

Q49. Thinking about patient care and safety in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Patient safety

PATIENT CARE AND SAFETY IN THE WORKPLACE (cont.)

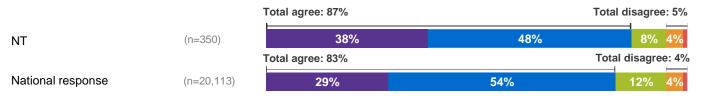
I am confident to raise concerns about patient care and safety



There are processes in place at my workplace to support the safe handover of patients between shifts / practitioners



I have received training on how to provide culturally safe care





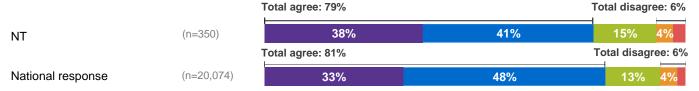
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Q49. Thinking about patient care and safety in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

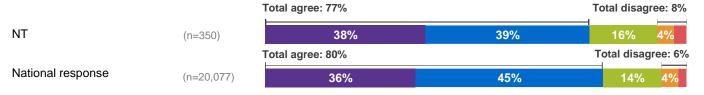
Overall satisfaction

RECOMMEND TRAINING

I would recommend my current training position to other doctors



I would recommend my current workplace as a place to train





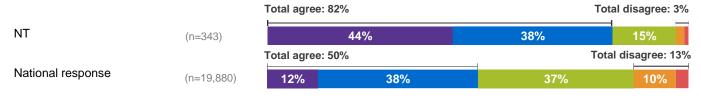
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Q50. Thinking about your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

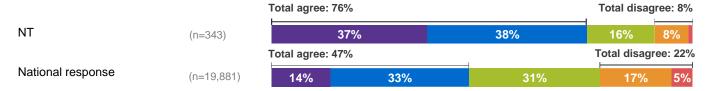
Future career intentions

CAREER INTERESTS





I am interested in rural practice



I am interested in getting involved in medical research



I am interested in getting involved in medical teaching



I am considering a future outside of medicine





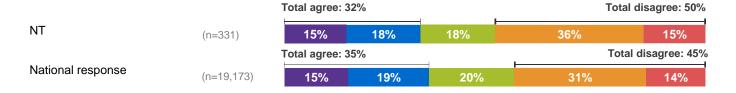
Base: Total sample

Q54. Thinking about your future career, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Future career intentions

TRAINING PROGRAM COMPLETION AND FUTURE EMPLOYMENT

I am concerned I will not successfully complete my training program to attain Fellowship / meet my pathway requirements / securing a place in my preferred College training program



I am concerned about whether I will be able to secure employment on completion of training





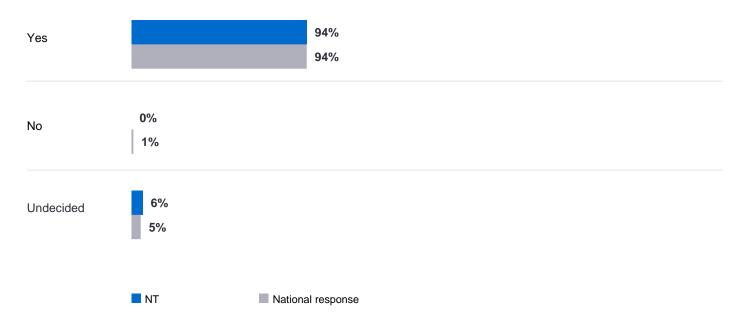
Base: Total sample

Q54. Thinking about your future career, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

Future career intentions

CONTINUATION OF SPECIALTY TRAINING PROGRAM

Overall, 94% of NT specialist trainees intended to continue with their specialty.



Base: Specialist trainees (National: 2024 n = 9,635; NT: 2024 n = 163) Q51a. Do you intend to continue in your specialty training program?

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