

# Medical Training Survey 2019

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### MESSAGE FROM THE CHAIR

Thanks to the nearly 10,000 doctors in training who took part in the first Medical Training Survey (MTS). The survey gave trainees a collective voice, and the results detailed in this report now give the rest of us an opportunity to reflect and act on what they have said.

The MTS results create the first national, comprehensive picture of medical training in Australia. They provide an evidence-base that we can learn from to improve the culture of medicine and further strengthen medical training.

We have deliberately presented the results of the MTS unadorned. Trainee responses are presented in a series of static reports and the data are also accessible through an online reporting tool, accessible from the MTS website at [www.medicaltrainingsurvey.gov.au](http://www.medicaltrainingsurvey.gov.au). As promised, we have prioritised confidentiality and results are only published when there were 10 or more responses. We expect reporting detail to increase year on year, as the MTS is established.

The MTS aimed to gather the most comprehensive, national data possible about medical training in Australia. We are pleased to present these data directly to educators, policy makers, clinicians, employers and others who can use it to inform their work to strengthen medical training.

More than one in four trainees shared their perspectives on their training by doing the MTS. We hope that, over time, trainees gain confidence in the confidentiality and value of the MTS and that participation rates continue to increase.

The MTS data are rich and provide fascinating insights. In general, trainees rate their quality of training very highly and there is a lot going well in medical training in Australia. Most trainees rated their quality of clinical supervision and teaching highly. About 75% of trainees work more than 40 hours per week, but many value the extra training opportunities this provides. Most trainees would recommend their current training post and nearly all intend to continue with their training program. We are delighted that close to 40% of eligible international medical graduates participated in the MTS and were generally very satisfied with their training experience. There are opportunities to improve trainee access to health and well-being support programs.

Trainees have sent a loud message about bullying and harassment and it is incumbent on all of us to heed it. We must all redouble our efforts to strengthen professional behaviour and deal effectively with unacceptable behaviour. We must do this if we are serious about improving the culture of medicine.

The Board is grateful to the stakeholders who worked with us to develop the MTS. Sincere thanks to all the members of our steering committee and advisory group, who shared their expertise and experience so openly. Special thanks to our small advisory group of doctors in training - with their vision, enthusiasm and commitment, the future of medicine is bright.



**Dr Anne Tonkin**  
**Chair, Medical Board of Australia**



### 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, profession-wide data to strengthen medical training in Australia. The MTS is conducted annually with doctors in training, with 2019 representing the first wave of data collection.

The objectives of the survey are to:

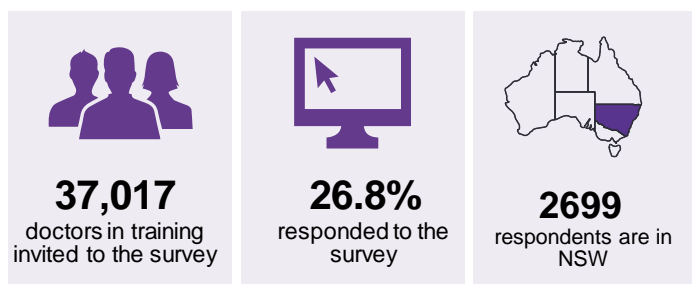
- promote better understanding of the quality of medical training in Australia

- 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 results for the MTS.

### METHOD

Data collection for the MTS involved receiving responses to an online survey from n=9,917 doctors in training, with n=9,378 responses eligible for analysis (i.e. currently training in Australia) between 25 July and 7 October 2019.



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.

### INTERPRETING THIS REPORT

This report provides key results based on n=2699 doctors in training, working in locations across New South Wales compared against national results (n=9,378) of all doctors in training.

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.

For this report, results for New South Wales are presented at an overall level. To explore results within each jurisdiction please visit [www.medicaltrainingsurvey.gov.au/results](http://www.medicaltrainingsurvey.gov.au/results)

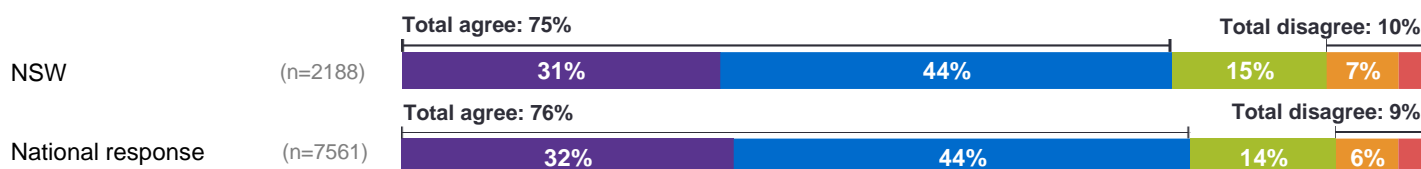
## Executive summary

### OVERALL SATISFACTION

#### I would recommend my current training position to other doctors



#### I would recommend my current workplace as a place to train



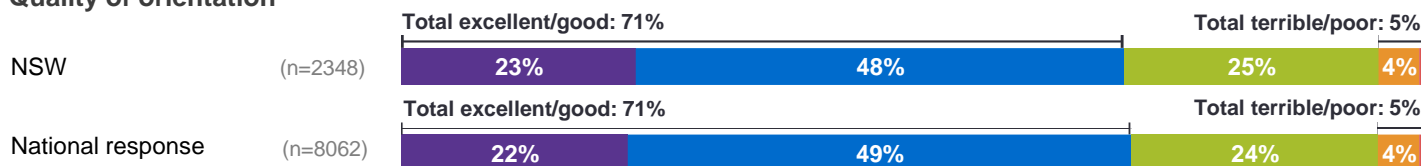
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Base: Total sample

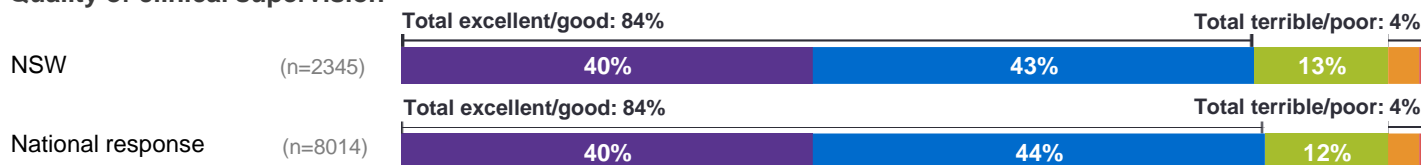
Q50. Thinking about your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

### HIGHLIGHTS

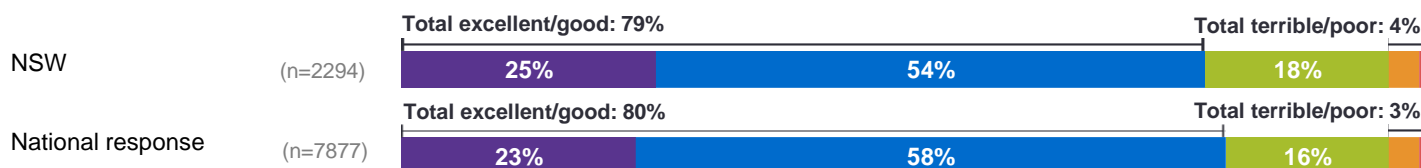
#### Quality of orientation



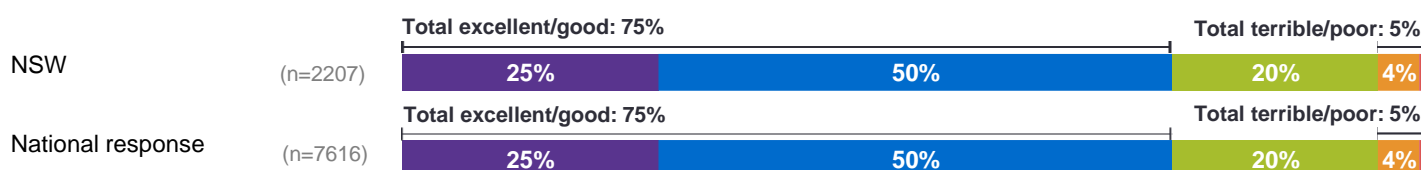
#### Quality of clinical supervision



#### Quality of teaching sessions



#### Quality of training to raise patient safety concerns



**Key:** ■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Average ■ Poor ■ Terrible

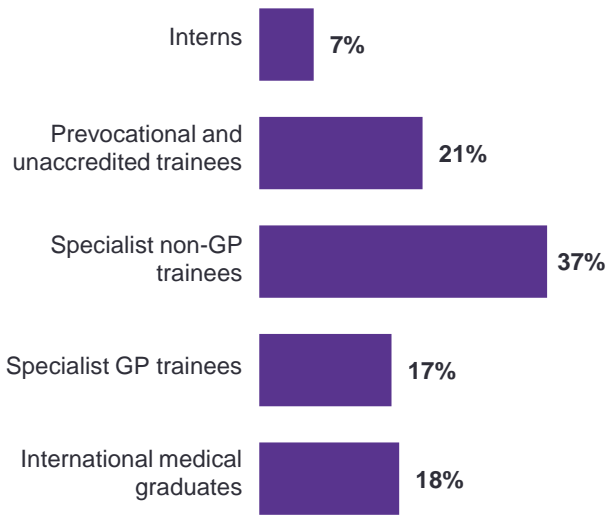
Base: Orientation received | Q27B. How would you rate the quality of your orientation?

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

## Profile of NSW doctors in training

### DOCTOR IN TRAINING COHORT



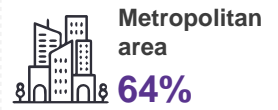
Base: Total sample (n=2699)

### TRAINING LOCATION

#### Facility



#### Region

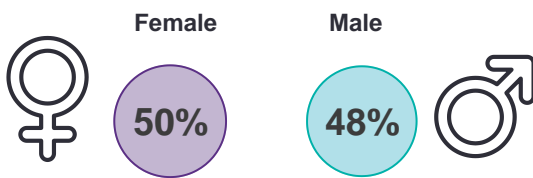


Base: Total sample (n=2691)  
Q5A. Is your current position/term/rotation/placement in a hospital?

Base: Total sample (n=2657)  
Q6. Is your current setting in a...?

### DEMOGRAPHICS

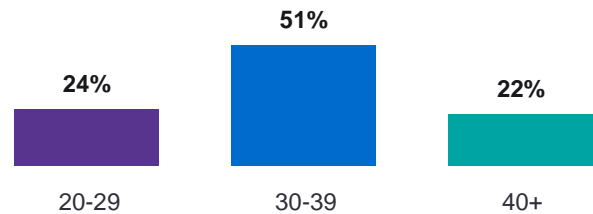
#### Do you identify as...



Intersex/Indeterminate: 0%    Prefer not to say: 2%

Base: Total sample (n=2179)  
Q55. Do you identify as...?

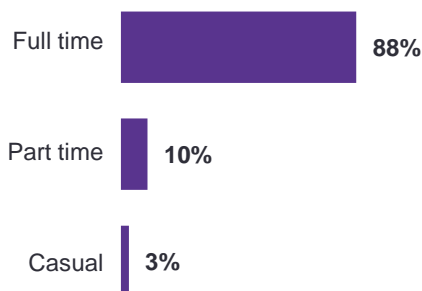
#### Age in years



Prefer not to say: 3%

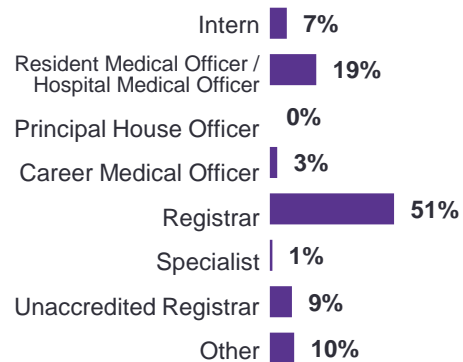
Base: Total sample (n=2177)  
Q56. What is your age?

#### Employment



Base: Total sample (n=2699)  
Q2. Are you employed:

#### Role



Base: Total sample (n=2655)  
Q7. What is your role in the setting?

Note: Q57. Do you identify as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person? Not shown due to small base size.

## Profile of NSW doctors in training

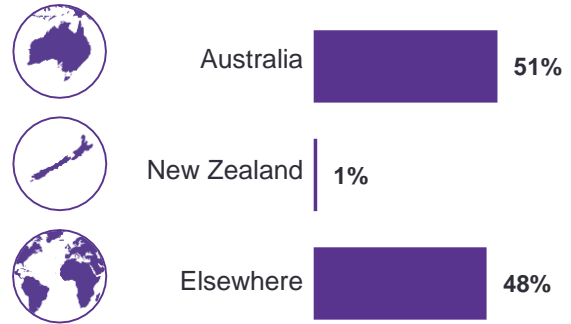
### POSTGRADUATE YEAR

Postgraduate year average is



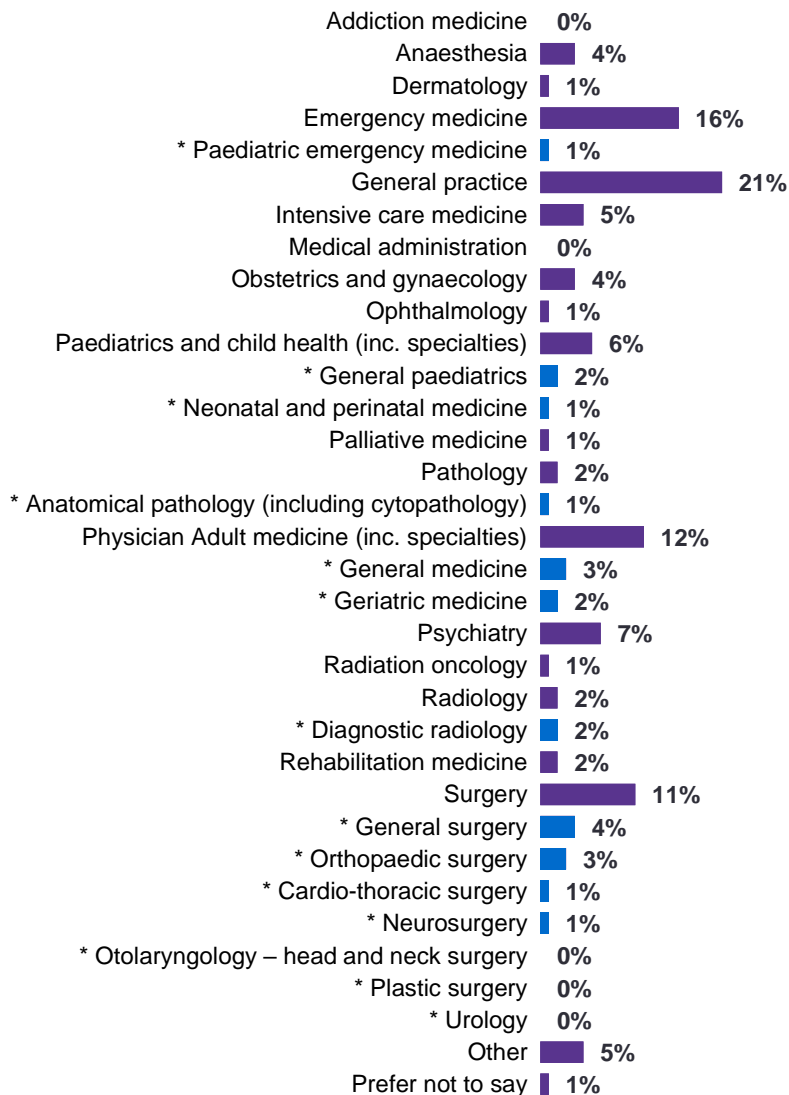
Base: Total sample (National: n=9329; NSW: n=2681)  
 Q1. What is your postgraduate year?

### PRIMARY DEGREE



Base: Total sample (n=2250)  
 Q58a. Did you complete your primary medical degree in Australia or New Zealand?

### CURRENT ROTATION / TERM / POSITION



Base: Total sample (n=2644), only fields with 10 or more responses shown for confidentiality reasons. 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?

## Profile of NSW doctors in training

### SPECIALIST TRAINEES

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



Base: Specialist trainees (National: n=4685; NSW: n=1415)  
 Q15. How many years have you been in the College training program?

### INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGs)

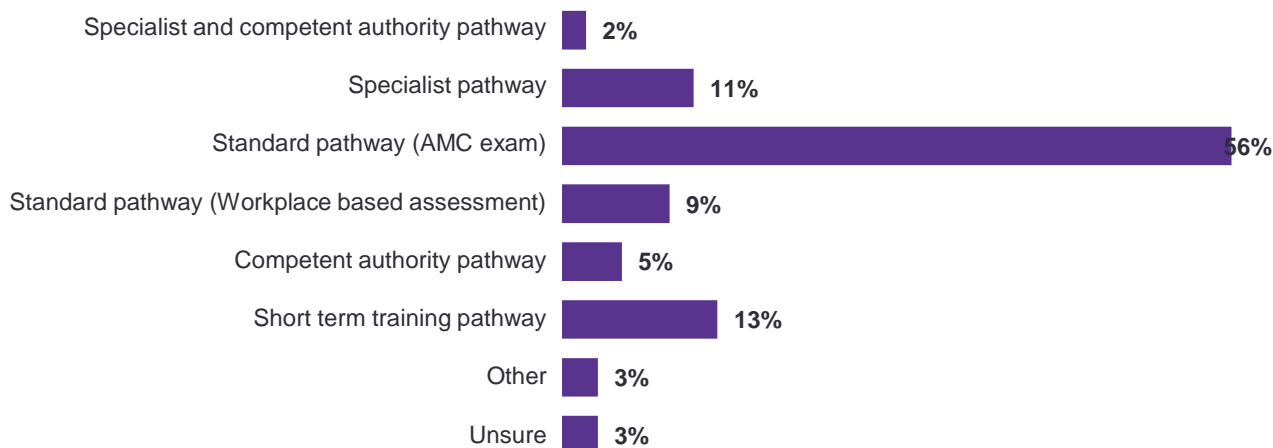
On average, IMGs in NSW have held registration in Australia for



Base: IMGs (National: n=1645; NSW: n=481)  
 Q10. How many years have you held registration in Australia?

### INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGs)

#### Pathway



Base: IMGs (n=479)  
 Q11a. Which pathway are you in?

#### Specialist pathway assessment

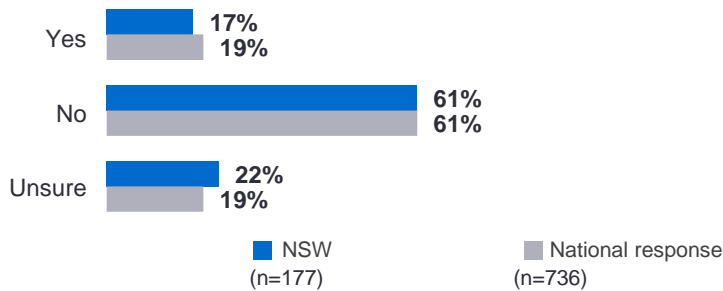


Base: IMGs selecting a specialist pathway or specialist and competent authority pathway (n=58)  
 Note: IMGs were shown other colleges. Only colleges with 10 or more responses are shown.  
 Q11b. Which college(s) did your specialist pathway assessment?



## Training curriculum - Interns

### INTERNS IN NSW WITH A CURRENT TRAINING PLAN...



NSW interns are as likely to have a training plan compared to the national response of interns.

Base: Interns  
 Q12. Do you have a training plan / professional development plan?

### TRAINING PLAN

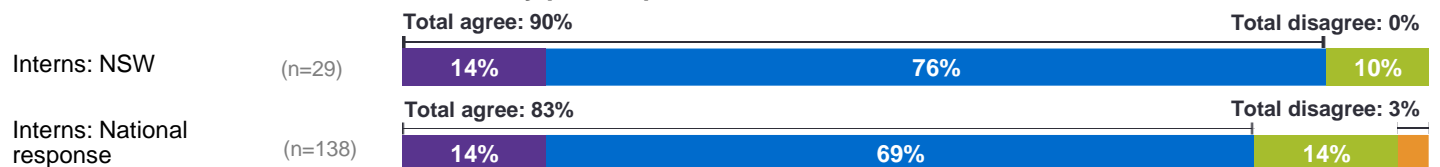
#### My plan is helping me to continue to develop as a doctor



#### 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



#### My plan is preparing me for future medical practice



#### My plan is advancing my knowledge

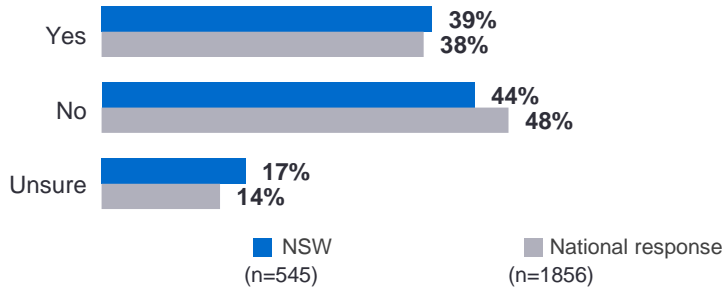


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Base: Interns with a training plan. National response is filtered to interns with a training plan.  
 Q13. Thinking about your training / professional development plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Training curriculum - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

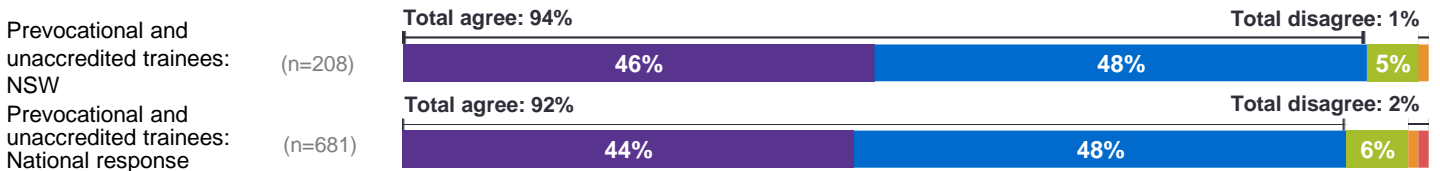
### PREVOCATIONAL AND UNACCREDITED TRAINEES IN NSW WITH A CURRENT TRAINING PLAN...



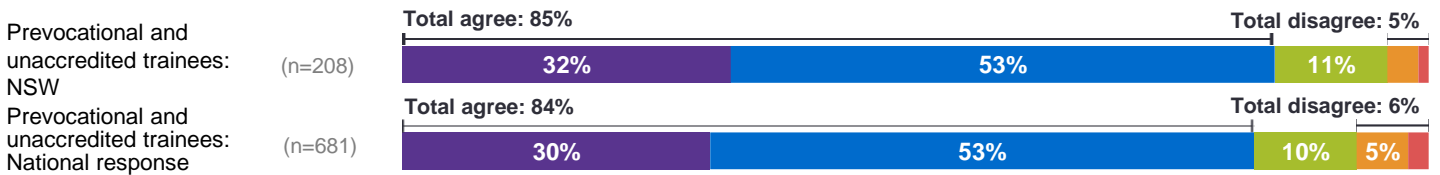
Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees  
 Q12. Do you have a training plan / professional development plan?

### TRAINING PLAN

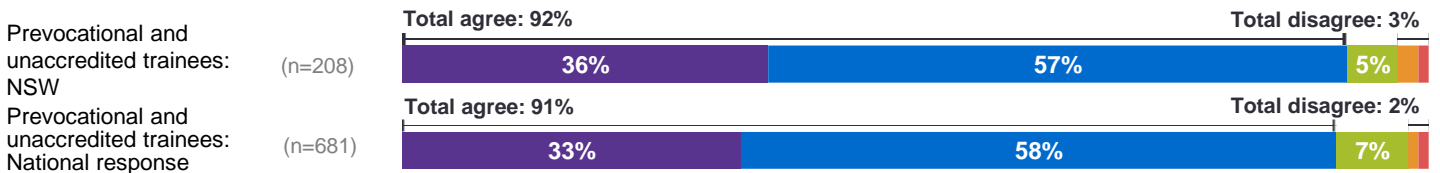
#### My plan is helping me to continue to develop as a doctor



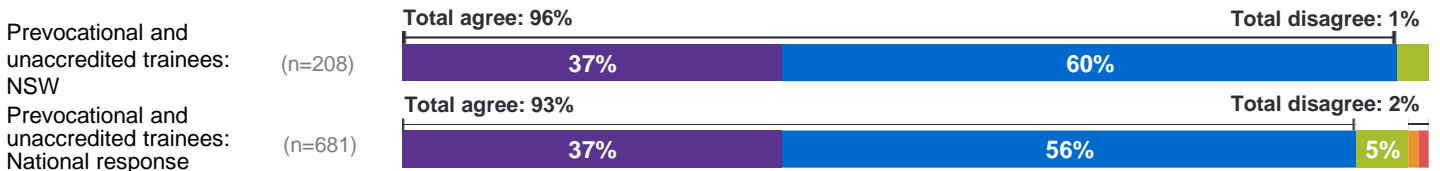
#### There are opportunities for me to meet the requirements of my plan in my current setting



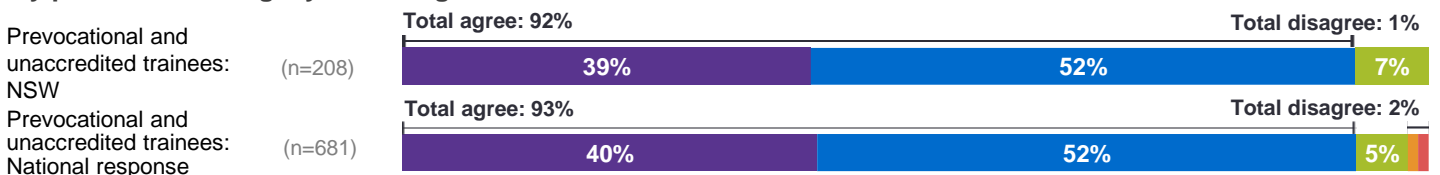
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#### My plan is advancing my knowledge



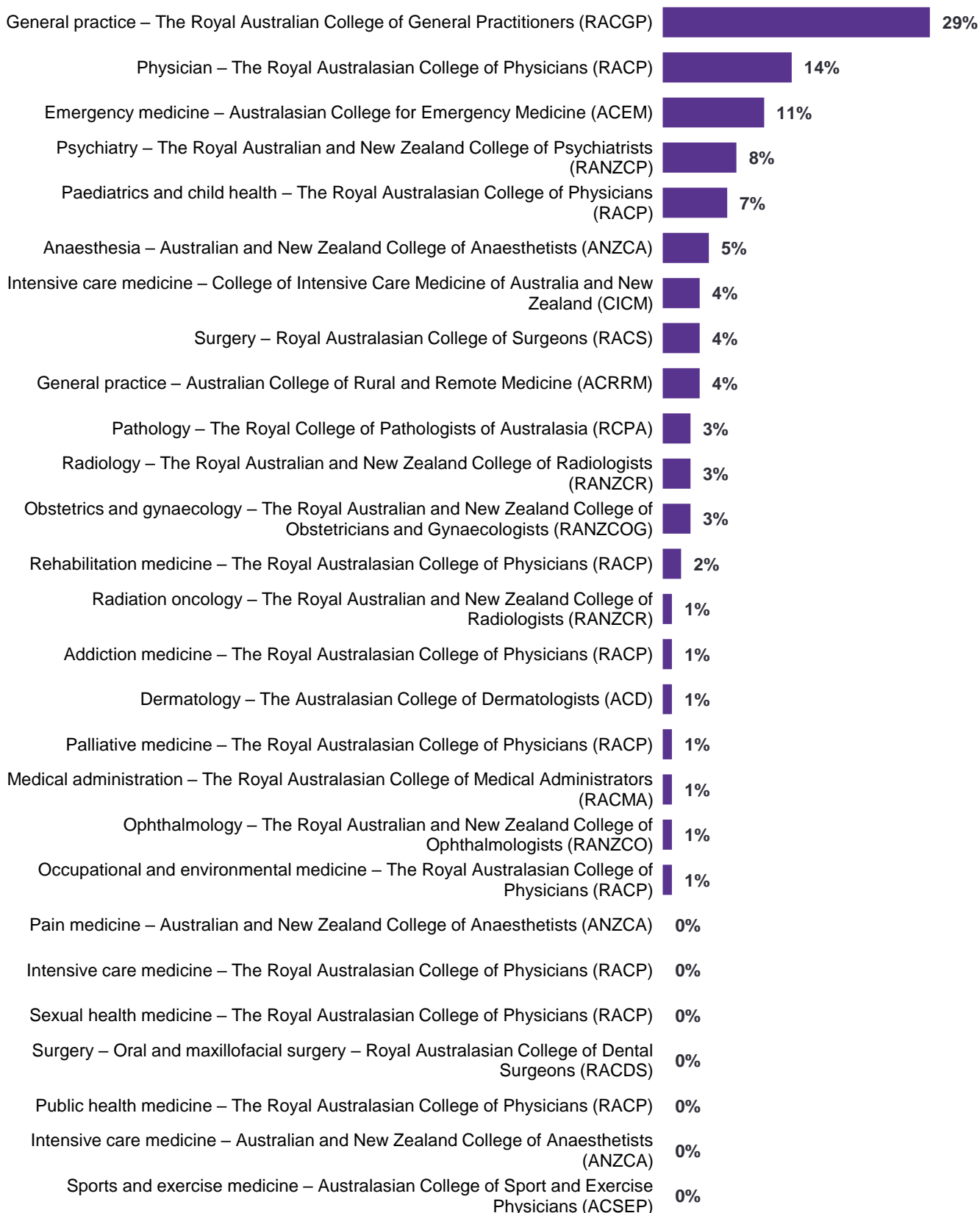
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Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a training plan. National response is filtered to prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a training plan.

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

## Training curriculum - Specialist trainees

### SPECIALIST TRAINING PROGRAM



Base: Specialist trainees (n=1427)

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

## Training curriculum - Specialist non-GP trainees

### 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

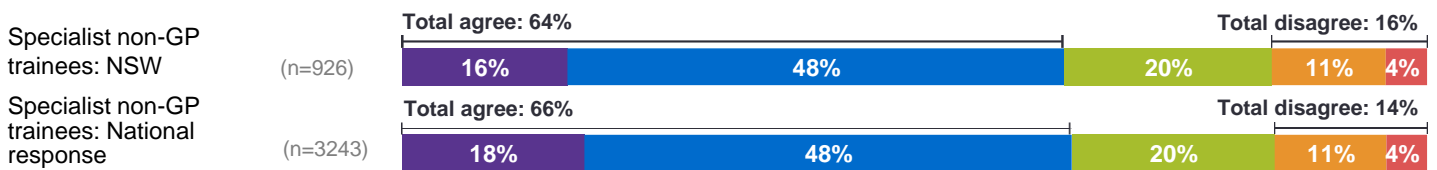


### COMMUNICATION WITH COLLEGE

#### 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



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Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

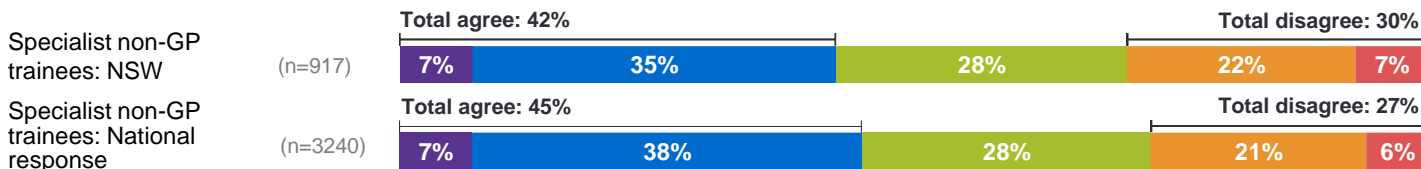
Q21. Thinking about your <COLLEGE> training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

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

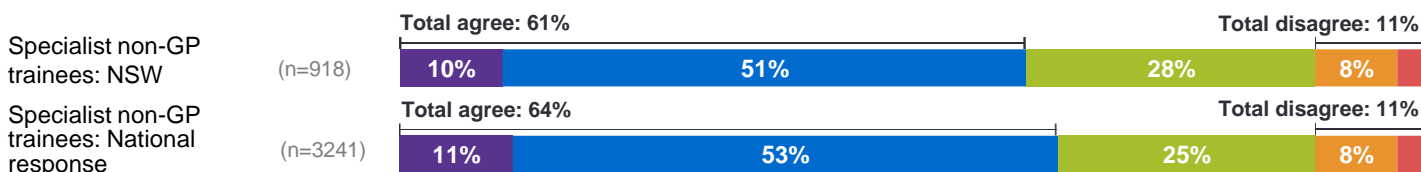
## Training curriculum - Specialist non-GP trainees

### ENGAGEMENT WITH COLLEGE

#### The College seeks my views on the training program



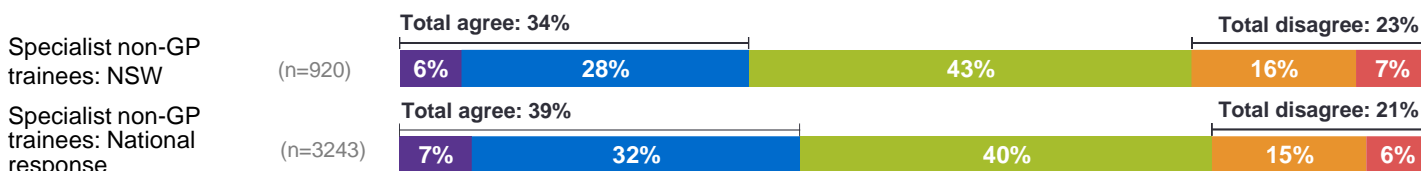
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#### I am able to discuss the College training program with other doctors



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



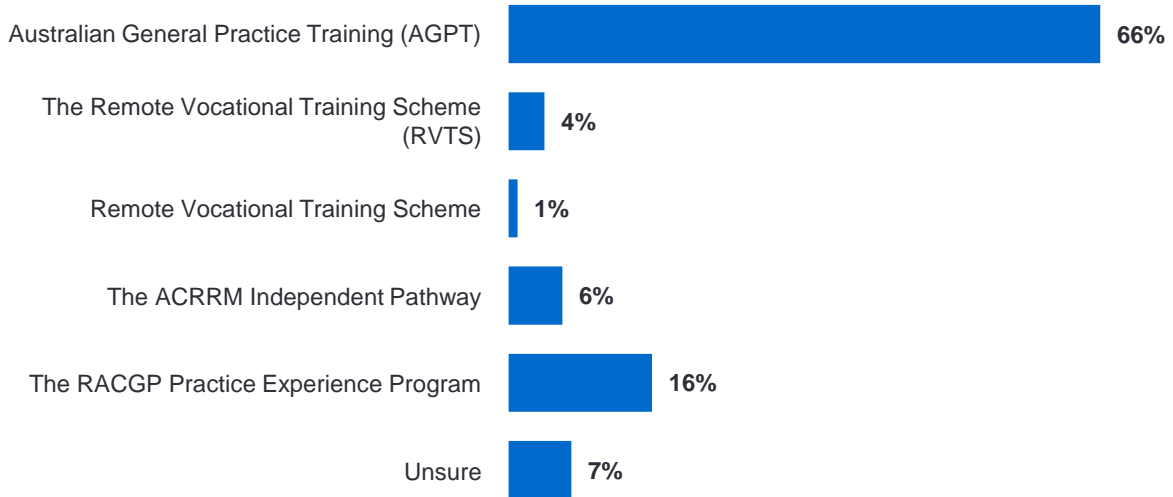
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Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

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

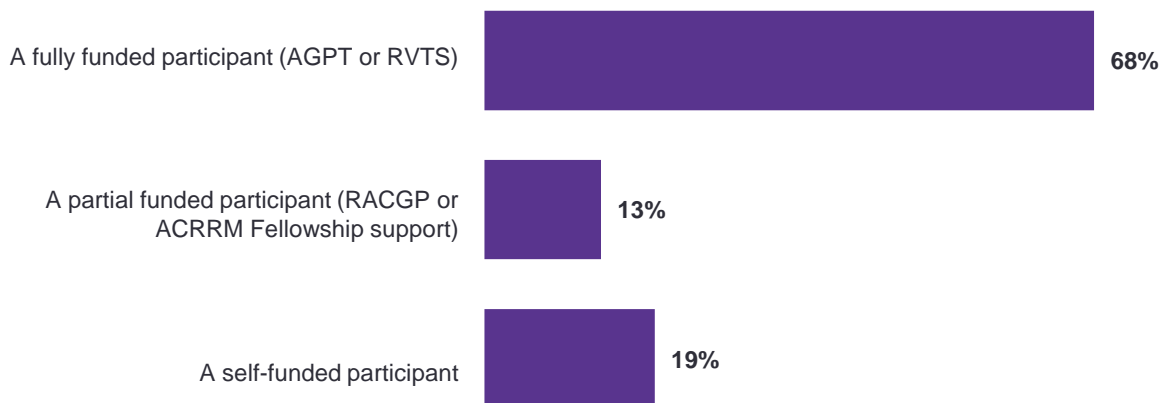
## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### PATHWAY



Base: Specialist GP trainees (n=446)  
 Q16b. Which training program are you in?  
 Q16c. Who provides your GP training?

### FUNDING



Base: Specialist GP trainees (n=461)  
 Q16a. Are you training for a career in general practice as:

## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### 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

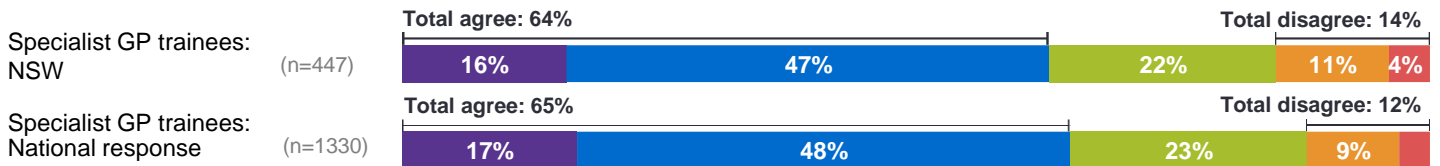


### COMMUNICATION WITH COLLEGE

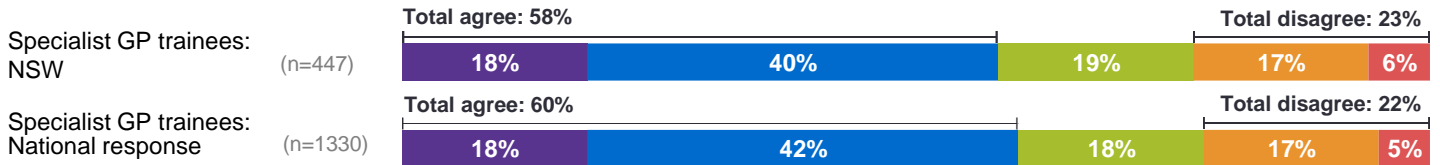
#### My College clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



#### 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



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Base: Specialist GP trainees

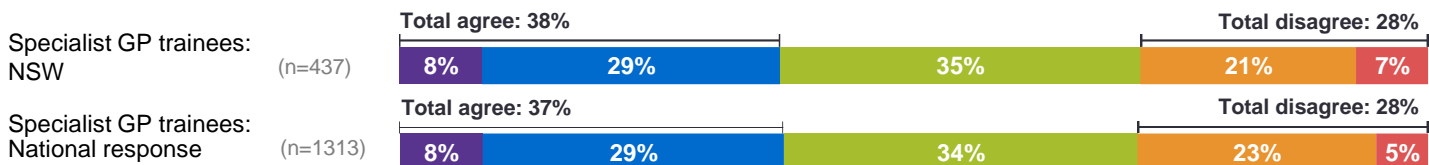
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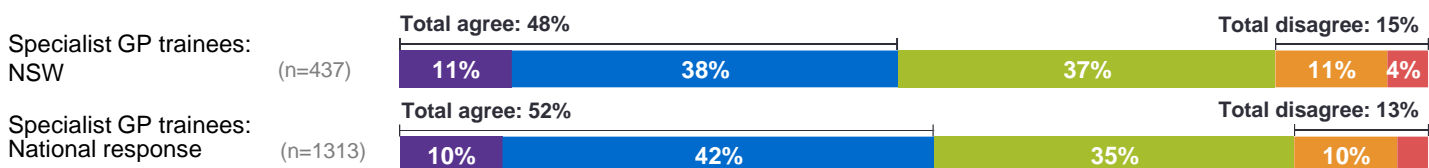
## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### ENGAGEMENT WITH COLLEGE

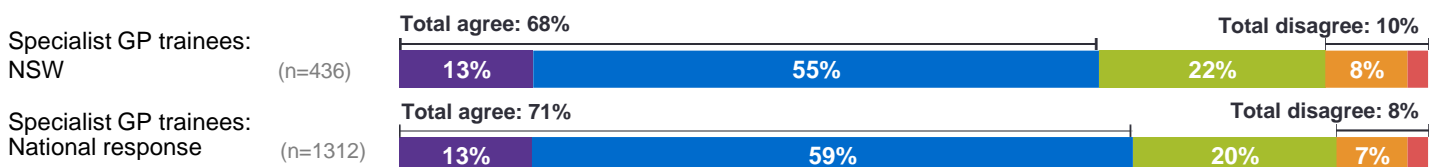
#### The College seeks my views on the training program



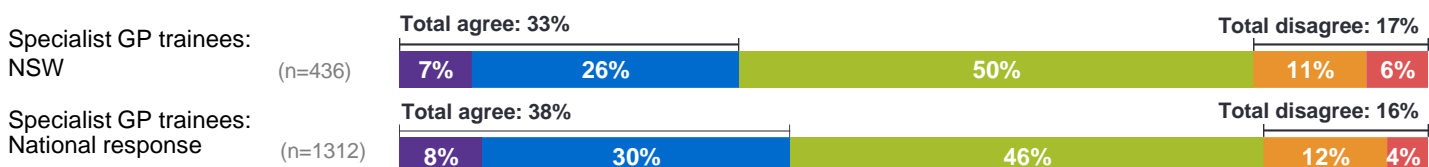
#### I am represented by doctors in training on the College's training and/or education committees



#### I am able to discuss the College training program with other doctors



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



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Base: Specialist GP trainees  
 Q25. Thinking about how <COLLEGE> engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?



## Regional Training Organisations (RTOs)

### REGIONAL TRAINING ORGANISATIONS



Specialist GP trainees can be both enrolled in a Regional Training Organisation (RTO) 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)).

In total, 98% of specialist GP trainees in NSW are enrolled with a RTO, with 96% enrolled with GP Synergy as shown opposite.

Base: Specialist GP trainees, only fields with 10 or more responses shown for confidentiality reasons(n=403)  
 Q17. If applicable, which Regional Training Organisation provides your GP training?

### TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED BY RTOs

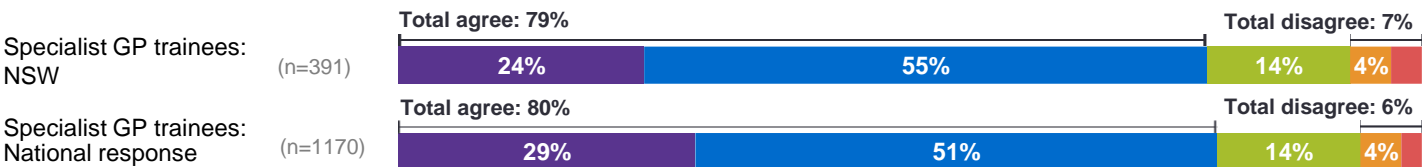
#### The RTO's education program meets the College/s requirements



#### The RTO's education program is preparing me as a specialist



#### The RTO's education program is advancing my knowledge



**Key:** ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

Base: Specialist GP trainees specifying a RTO  
 Q18. Thinking about your [Regional Training Organisation] training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

## Regional Training Organisations (RTOs)

### COMMUNICATION WITH RTO

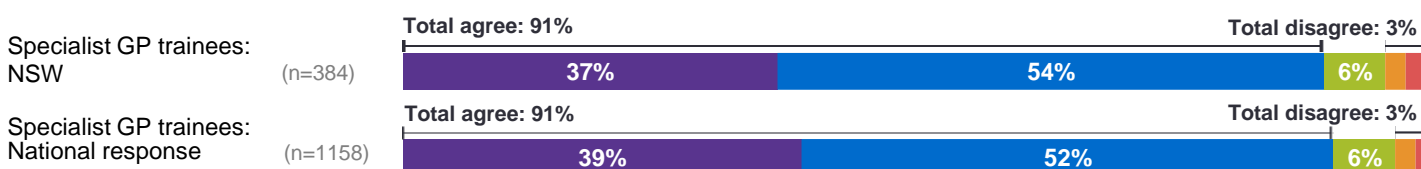
#### The RTO clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



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



#### I know who to contact at the RTO about my education program



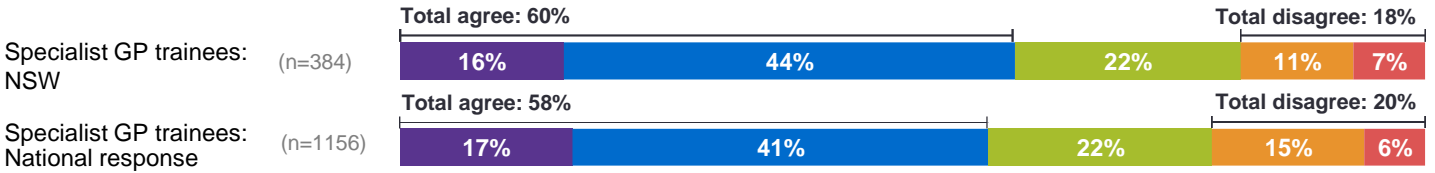
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 Q19. Thinking about how your [Regional Training Organisation] communicates with you about your training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

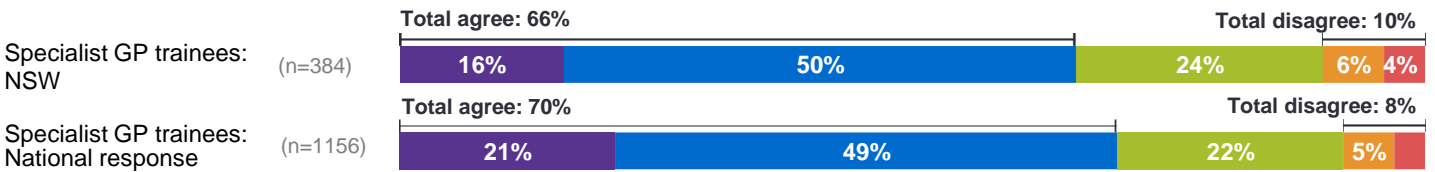
## Regional Training Organisations (RTOs)

### ENGAGEMENT WITH RTO

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



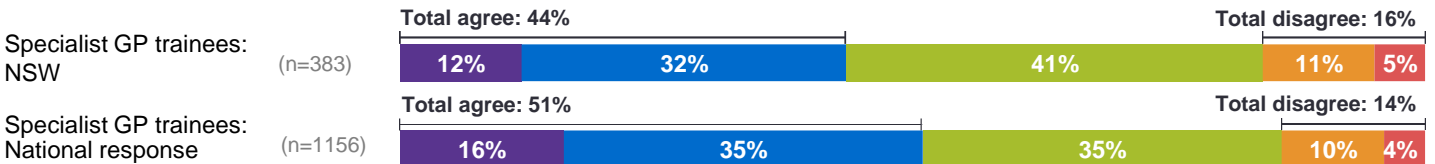
#### I am represented (by doctors in training e.g. registrar liaison officer) on the RTO's training and/or education committees



#### I am able to discuss the RTO's education program with other doctors



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

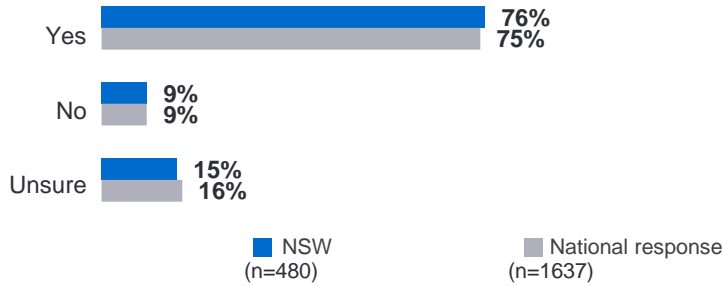


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Base: Specialist GP trainees specifying a RTO  
 Q20. Thinking about how [Regional Training Organisation] engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Training curriculum - International medical graduates (IMGs)

### IMGs IN NSW WITH A CURRENT TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN...

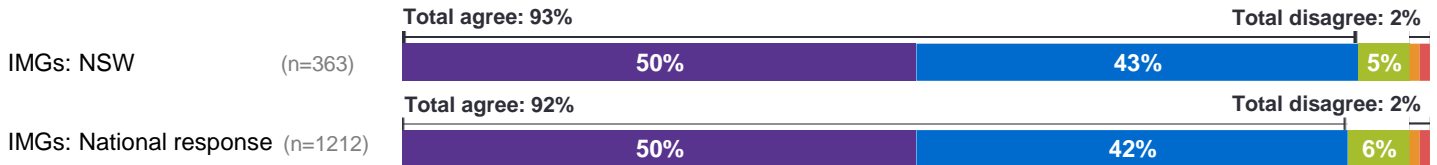


NSW IMGs are as likely to have a development plan compared to the national response of IMGs.

Base: IMGs  
 Q12. Do you have a training plan / professional development plan?

### TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

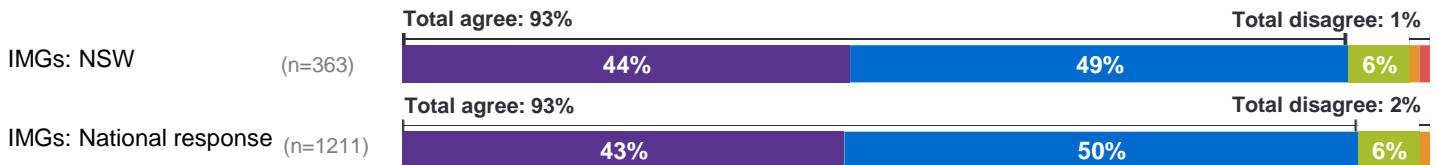
#### My plan is helping me to continue to develop as a doctor



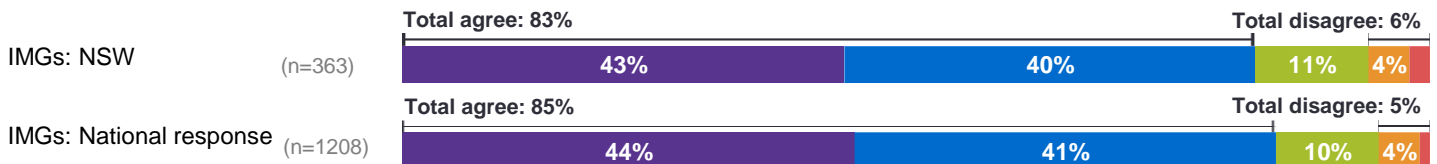
#### There are opportunities for me to meet the requirements of my plan in my current setting



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



#### My plan is preparing me to be a doctor/specialist in the Australian healthcare system<sup>^</sup>



Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

Base: IMGs with a training plan. National response is filtered to IMGs with a training plan.

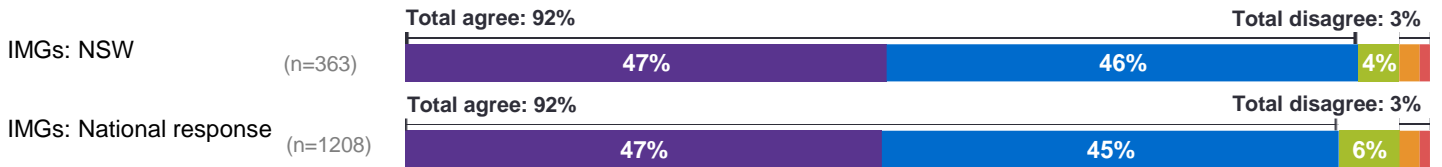
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Q13. Thinking about your training / professional development plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

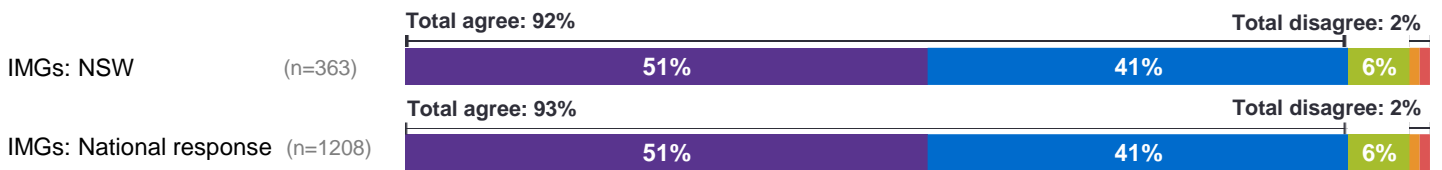
## Training curriculum - International medical graduates (IMGs)

### TRAINING/PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN (continued)

#### My plan is preparing me for future medical practice



#### My plan is advancing my knowledge

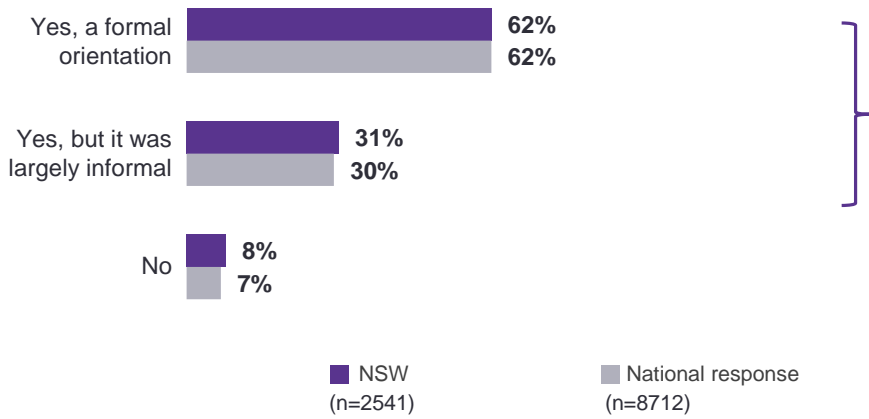


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 Q13. Thinking about your training / professional development plan, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Orientation

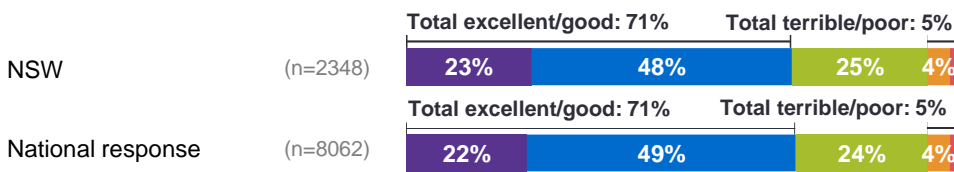
### DID YOU RECEIVE AN ORIENTATION TO YOUR SETTING?



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  
 Q27a. Did you receive an orientation to your setting?

### HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR ORIENTATION?



As shown in the chart above, 92% of NSW doctors in training had an orientation in their current setting (versus national response of 93%).

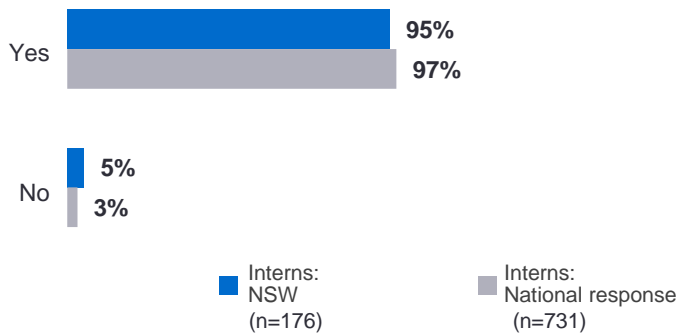
71% of NSW doctors in training rate the quality of the orientation as either 'excellent' or 'good', compared to the national response of 71%.



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  
 Q26a. In the last term that you completed, did you receive an end of term assessment?

### ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION

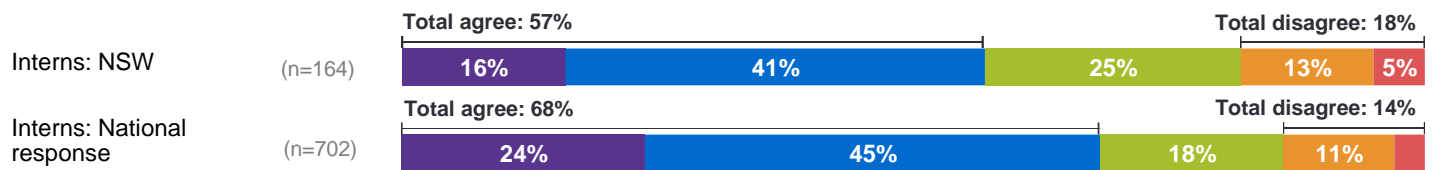
#### My last term assessment was relevant to my training



#### I had the opportunity to discuss my last term assessment feedback with my supervisor



#### My last term assessment provided me with useful feedback about my progress as an intern



#### My last term assessment was conducted fairly

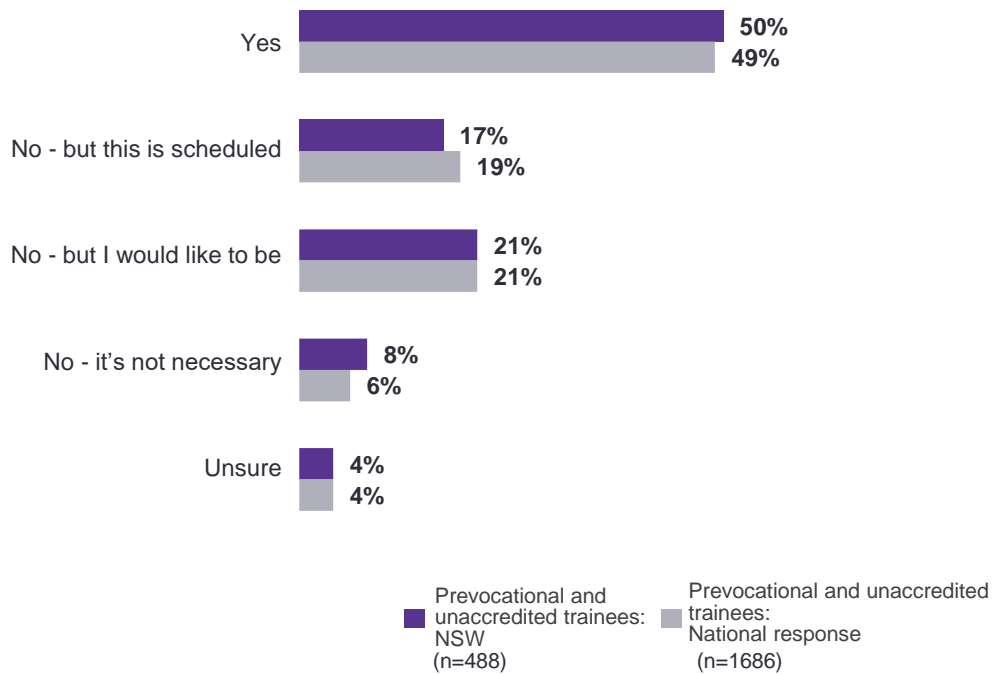


Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

Base: Had an assessment  
 Q26b. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Assessment - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

### HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?



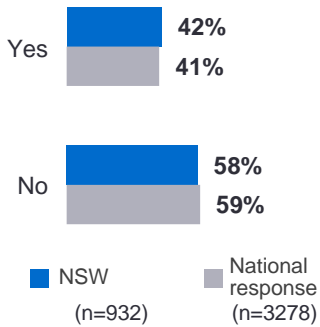
Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees  
 Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?



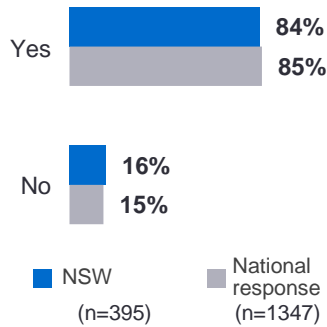
## Assessment - Specialist non-GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS

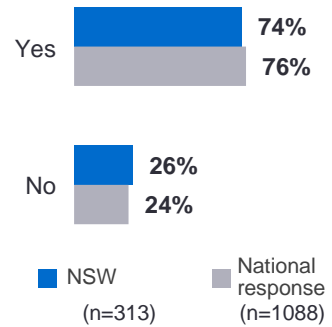
NSW specialist non-GP trainees have sat an exam in the last 12 months...



Of those sitting exams, received their results....



Of those receiving results, passed their exams...



Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

Q23a. In the last 12 months, have you sat one or more exams from <COLLEGE>?

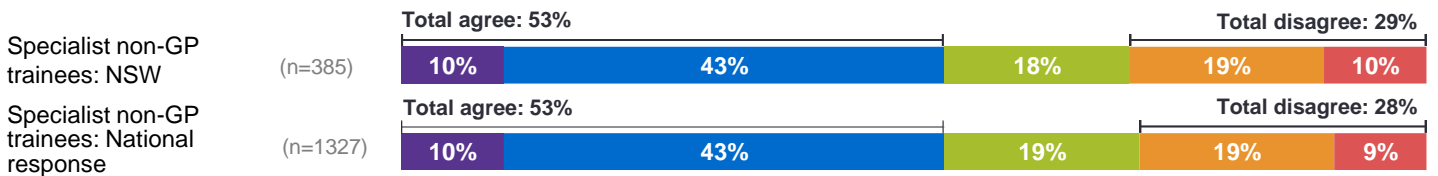
Base: Sat an exam

Q23b. Have you received the results of your most recent exam from <COLLEGE>?

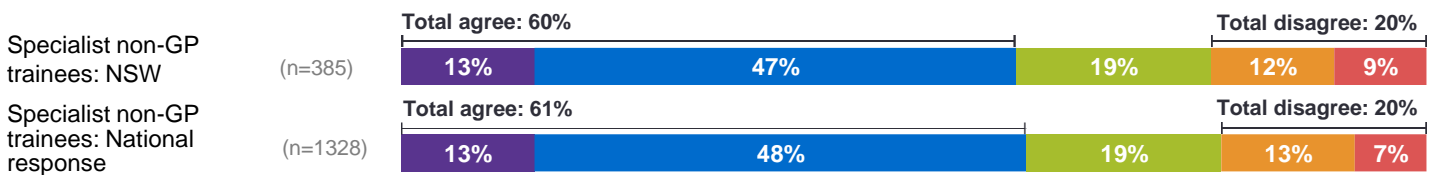
Base: Received results

Q23c. Did you pass the exam for <COLLEGE>?

### The exam(s) always reflected the college training curriculum



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



### The exam(s) always ran smoothly on the day



Key: Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree

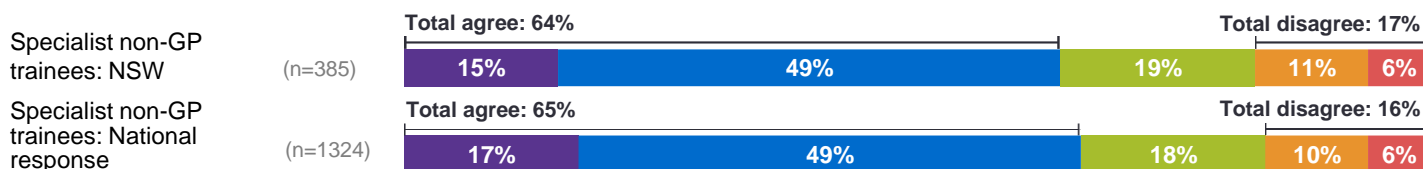
Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

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?

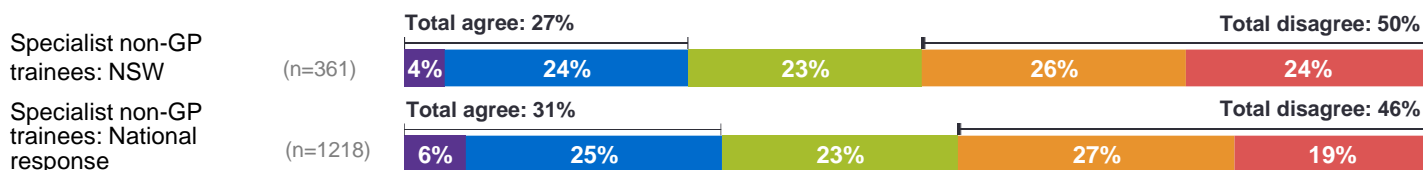
## Assessment - Specialist non-GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS (continued)

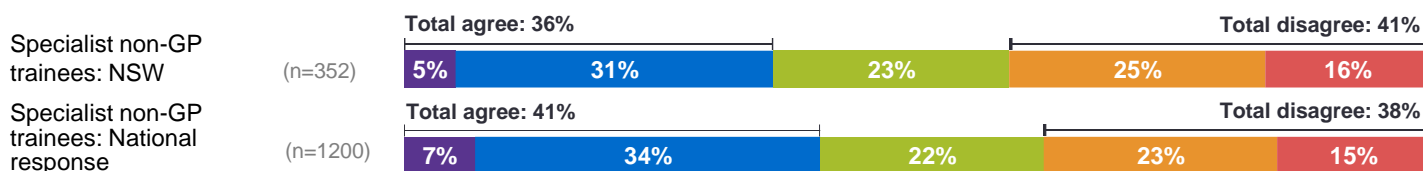
#### The exam(s) were always conducted fairly



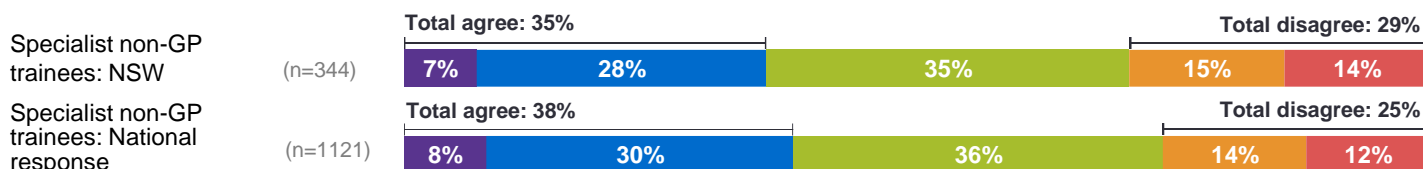
#### I received useful feedback about my performance in the exam(s)



#### The feedback is timely



#### I received support from my College when needed



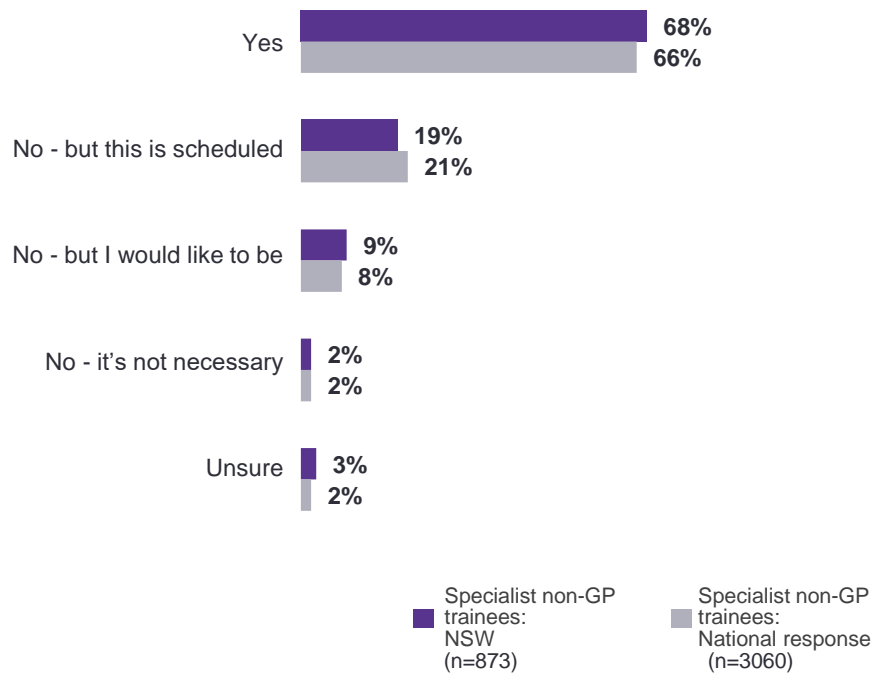
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Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

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 non-GP trainees

### HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?



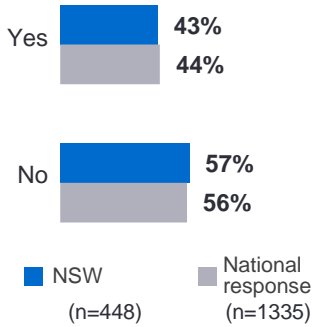
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Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

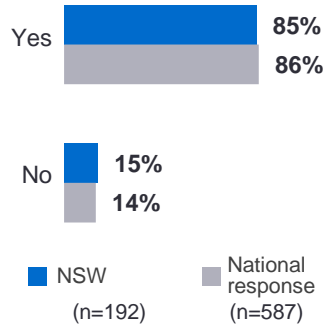
## Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS

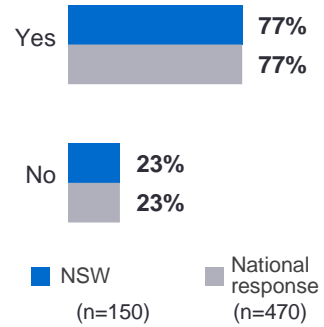
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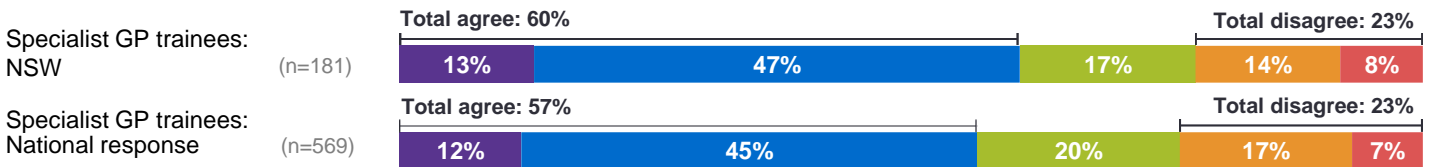


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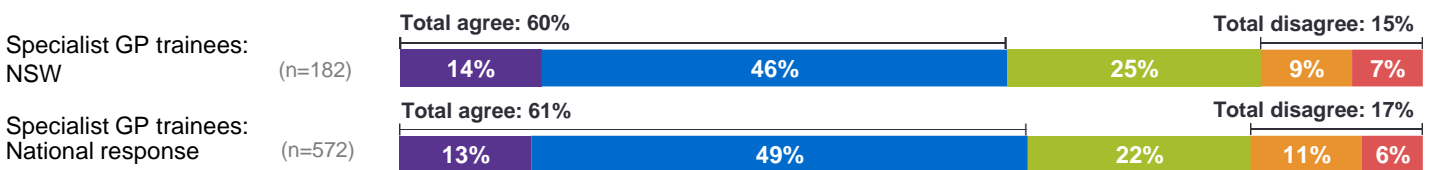
Base: Sat an exam  
 Q23b. Have you received the results of your most recent exam from <COLLEGE>?

Base: Received results  
 Q23c. Did you pass the exam for <COLLEGE>?

### The exam(s) always reflected the college training curriculum



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Base: Specialist GP trainees  
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## Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS (continued)

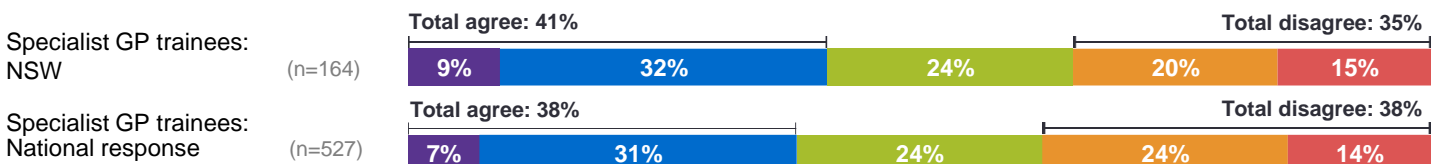
#### The exam(s) were always conducted fairly



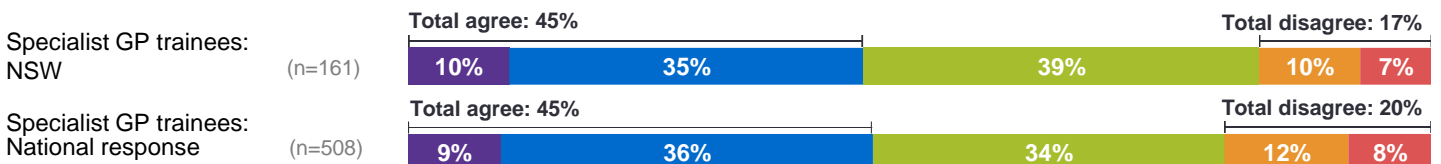
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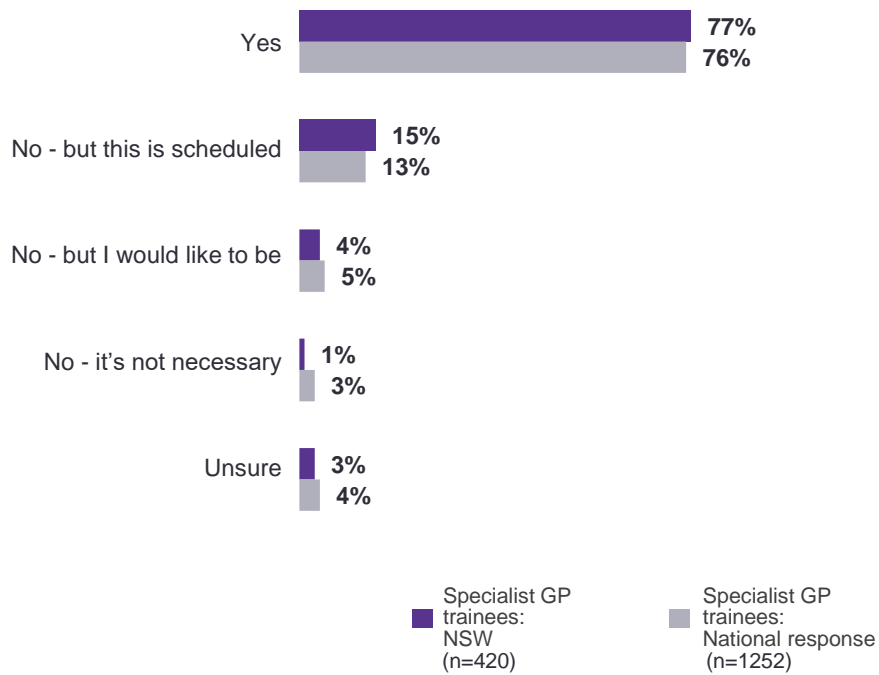
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Base: Specialist GP trainees

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

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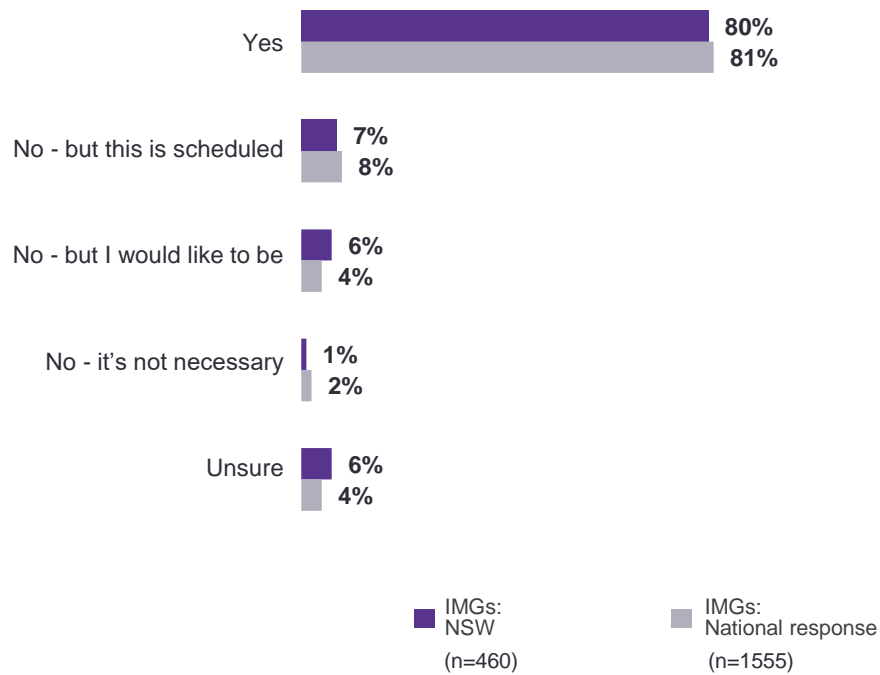


Base: Specialist GP trainees

Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

## Assessment - International medical graduates (IMGs)

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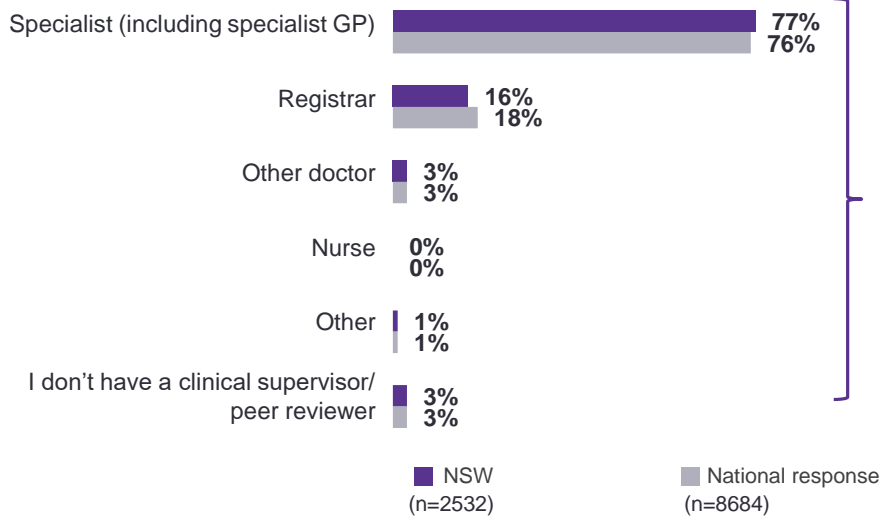


Base: IMGs

Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

## Clinical supervision

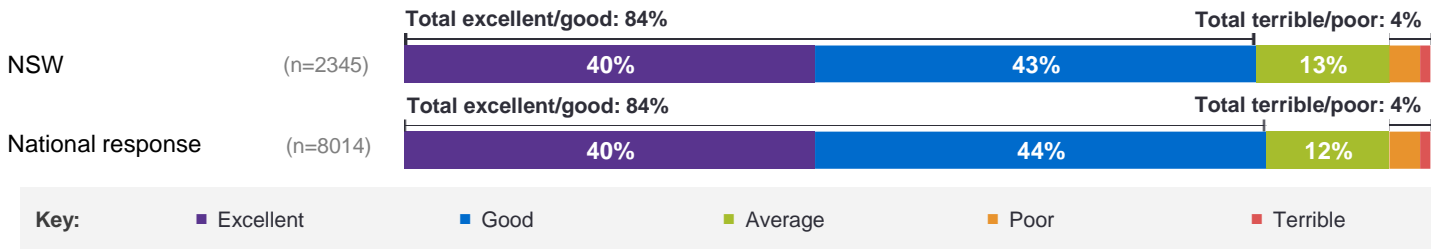
### WHO MAINLY PROVIDES YOUR CLINICAL SUPERVISION?



As a total, 97% of NSW doctors in training have a clinical supervisor.

84% of NSW doctors in training (who have a clinical supervisor) rate the quality of the supervision at their clinical setting as either 'excellent' or 'good', compared to the national response of 84% (see below).

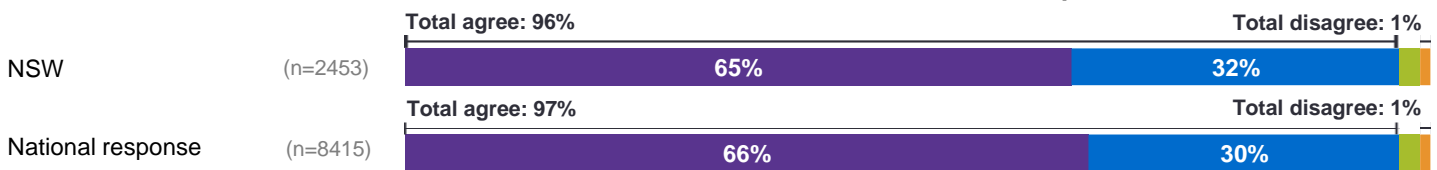
### HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR SUPERVISION?



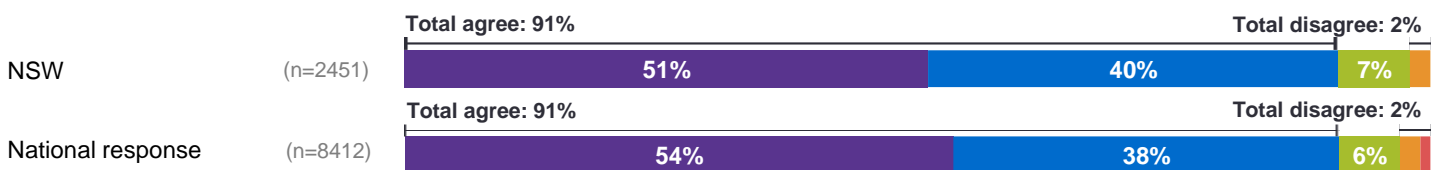
Base: Total sample  
 Q28. In your setting, who mainly provides your clinical supervision?  
 Base: Received supervision  
 Q31. For your setting, how would you rate the quality of your clinical supervision?

### 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



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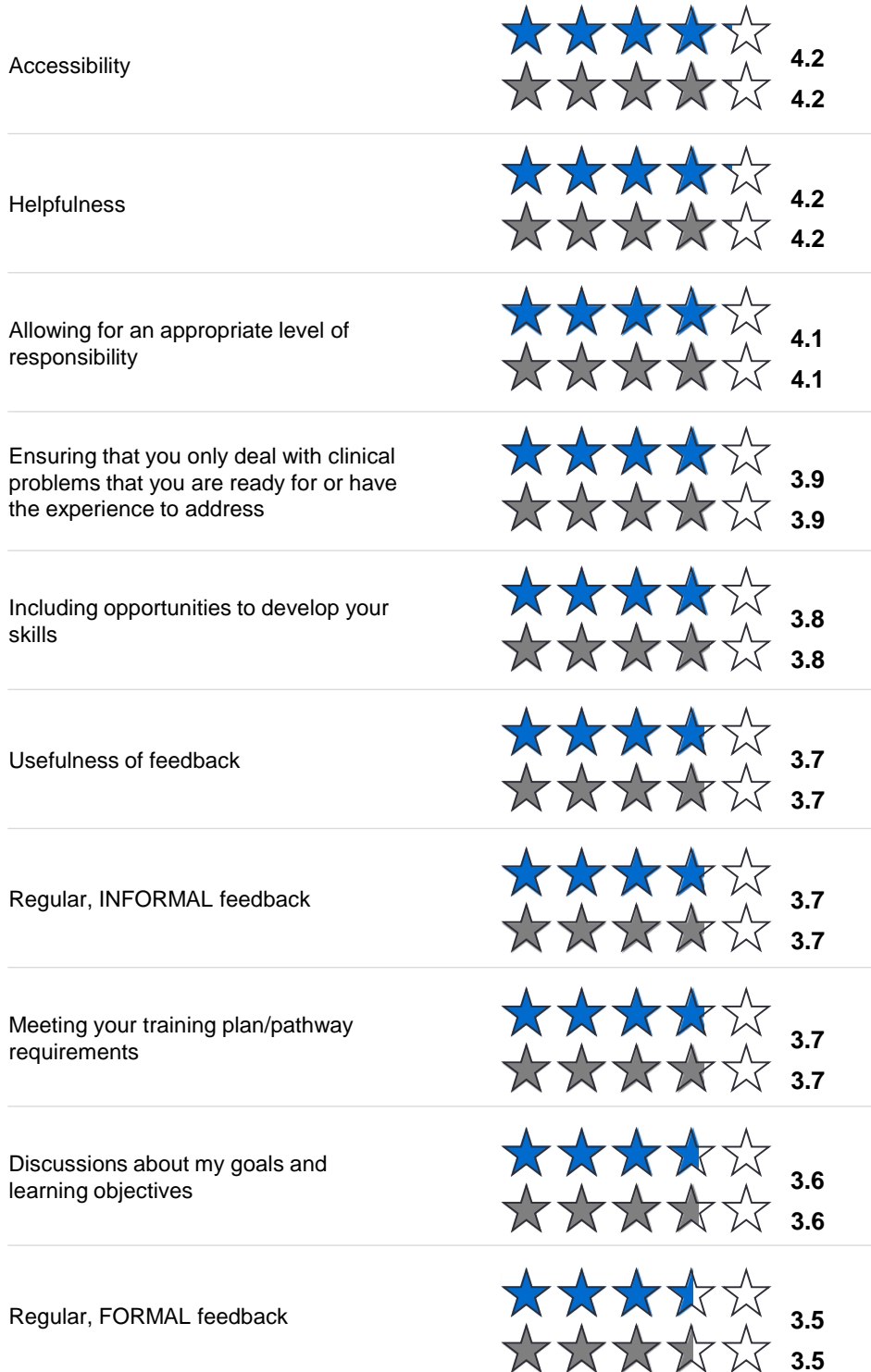
Base: Total sample  
 Q29. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?



## Clinical supervision

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

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



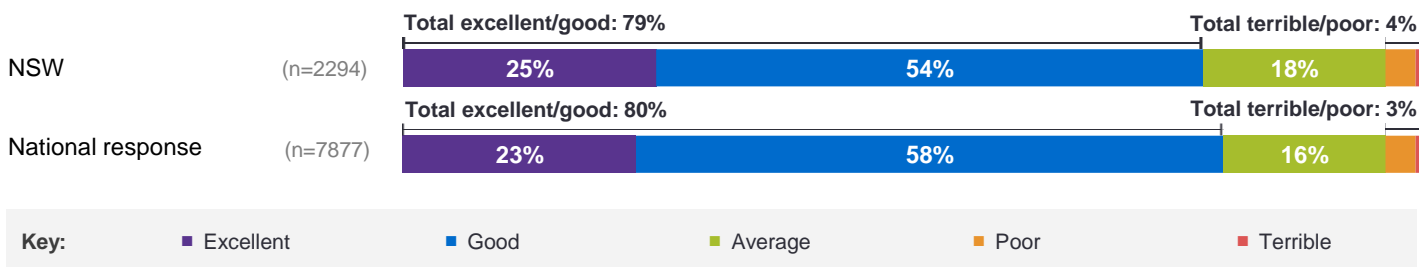
Various aspects of the quality of supervision are detailed left, with average ratings (given on a scale from 1- 5) charted for NSW and the national response.

■ NSW (max n=2326)  
 ■ National response (max n=7951)

Base: Have a supervisor  
 Q30. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your overall clinical supervision for?

## Access to teaching

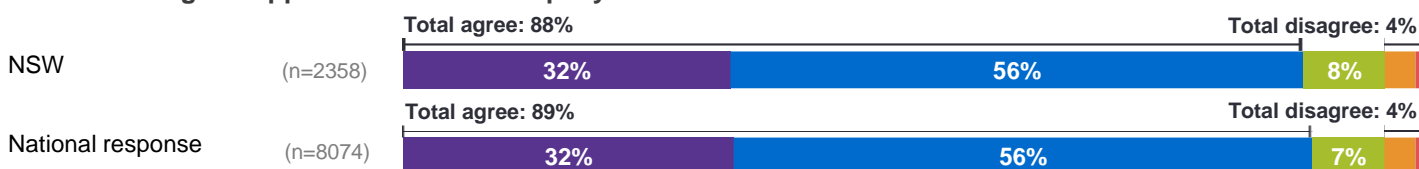
### OVERALL, HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF THE TEACHING SESSIONS?



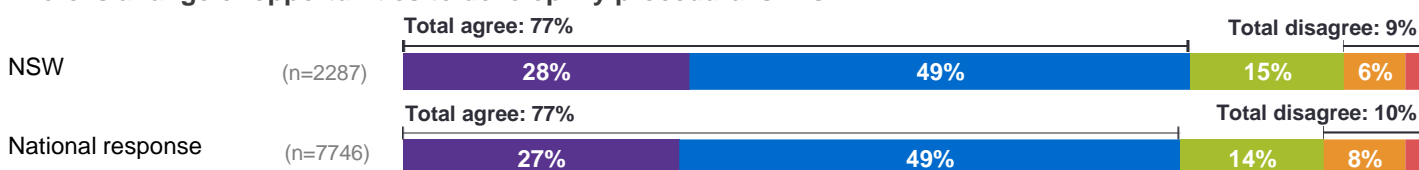
Base: Total sample  
 Q39. Overall, how would you rate the quality of the teaching sessions?

### DEVELOPMENT OF CLINICAL AND PRACTICAL SKILLS

#### There is a range of opportunities to develop my clinical skills



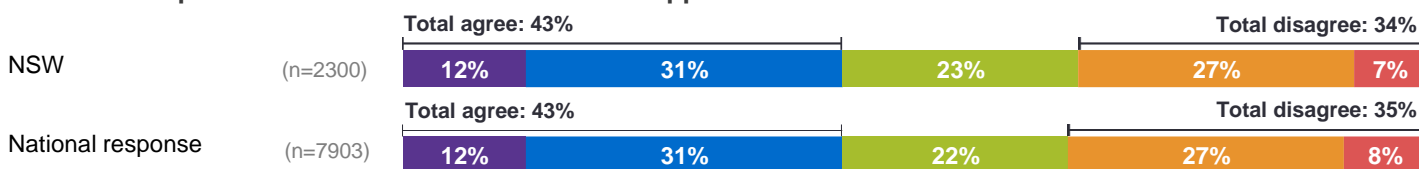
#### There is a range of opportunities to develop my procedural skills



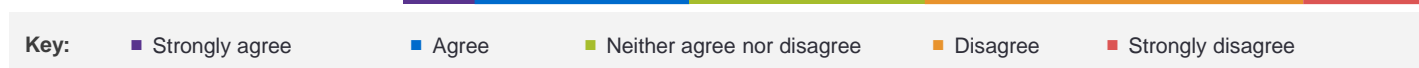
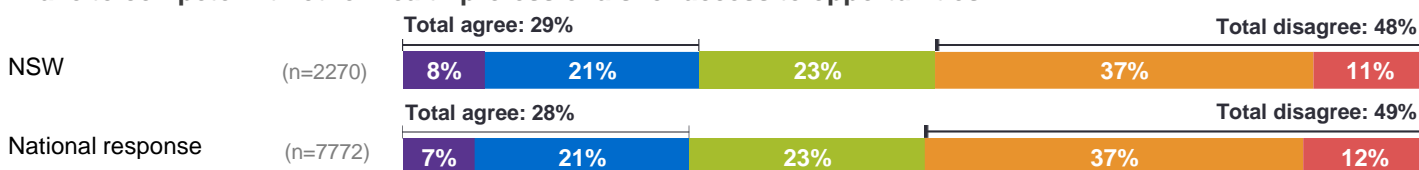
#### I can access the opportunities available to me



#### 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 clinical and practical skills, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

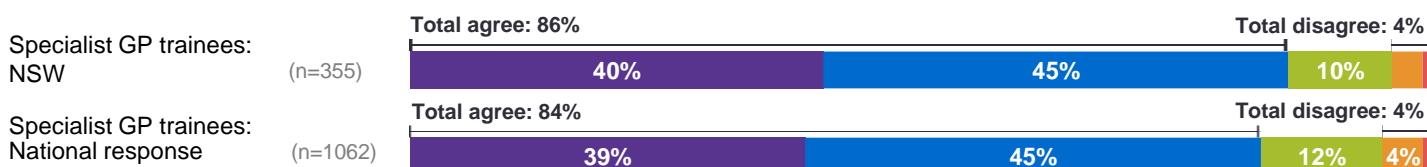
## Access to teaching

### ACCESS TO TEACHING AND RESEARCH

#### I have access to protected study time/leave



#### I am able to attend RTO education events^



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



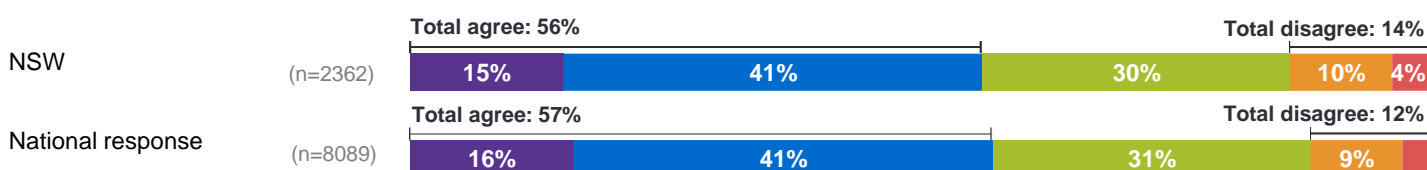
#### My GP supervisor supports me to attend formal and informal teaching sessions^



#### My employer supports me to attend formal and informal teaching sessions



#### I am able participate in research activities



Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

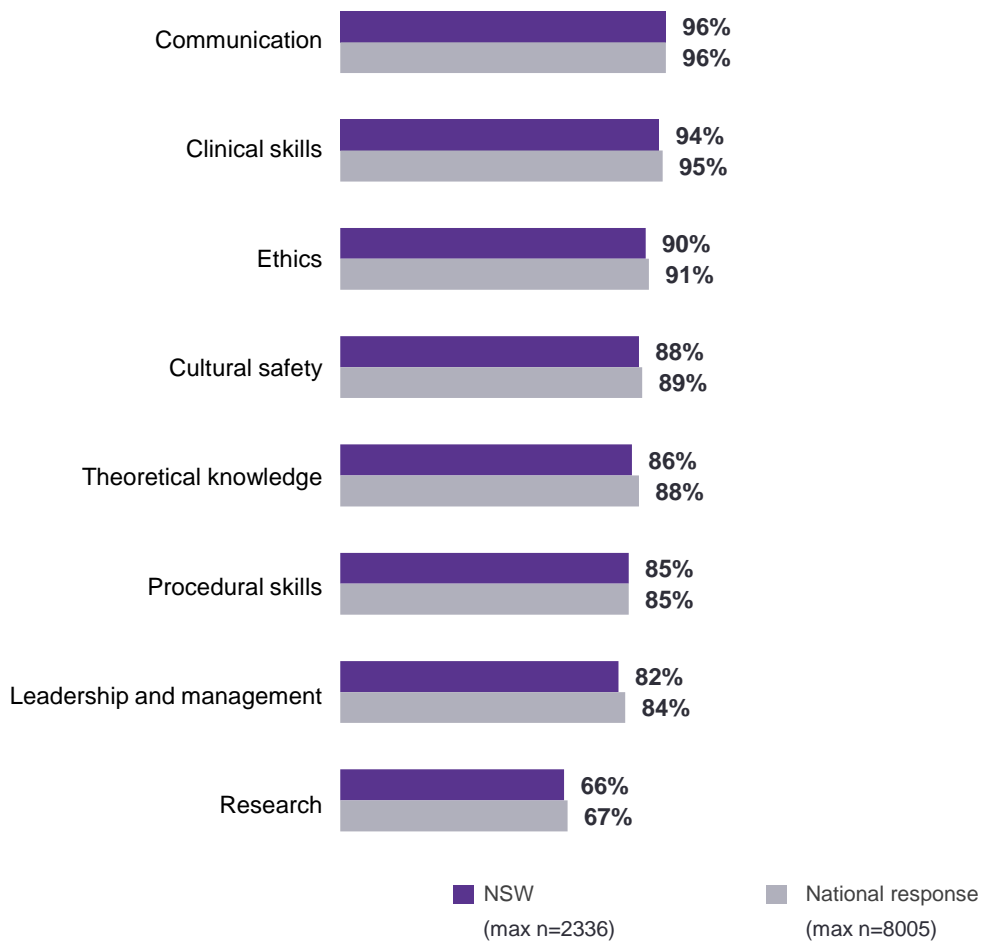
Base: Total sample,

^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?

## Access to teaching

### DO YOU HAVE SUFFICIENT OPPORTUNITIES TO DEVELOP YOUR? (% yes)

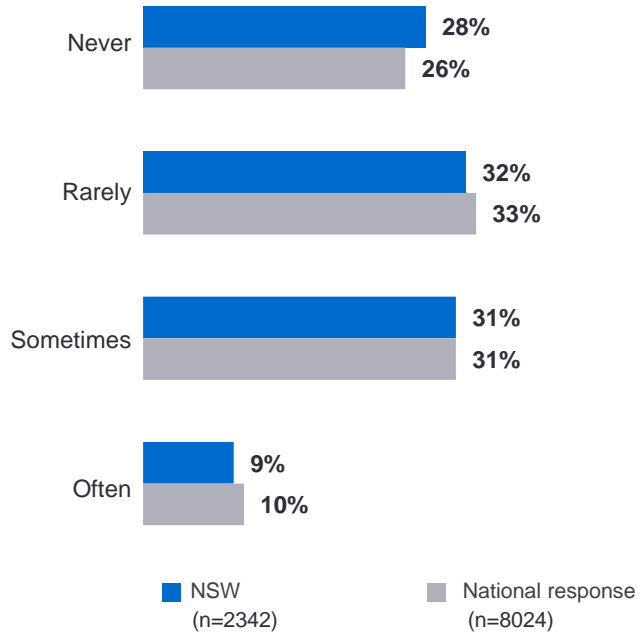


Base: Total sample excluding not applicable  
 Q35. In your setting, do you have sufficient opportunities to develop your?

## Access to teaching

### TRAINING AND OTHER JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

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

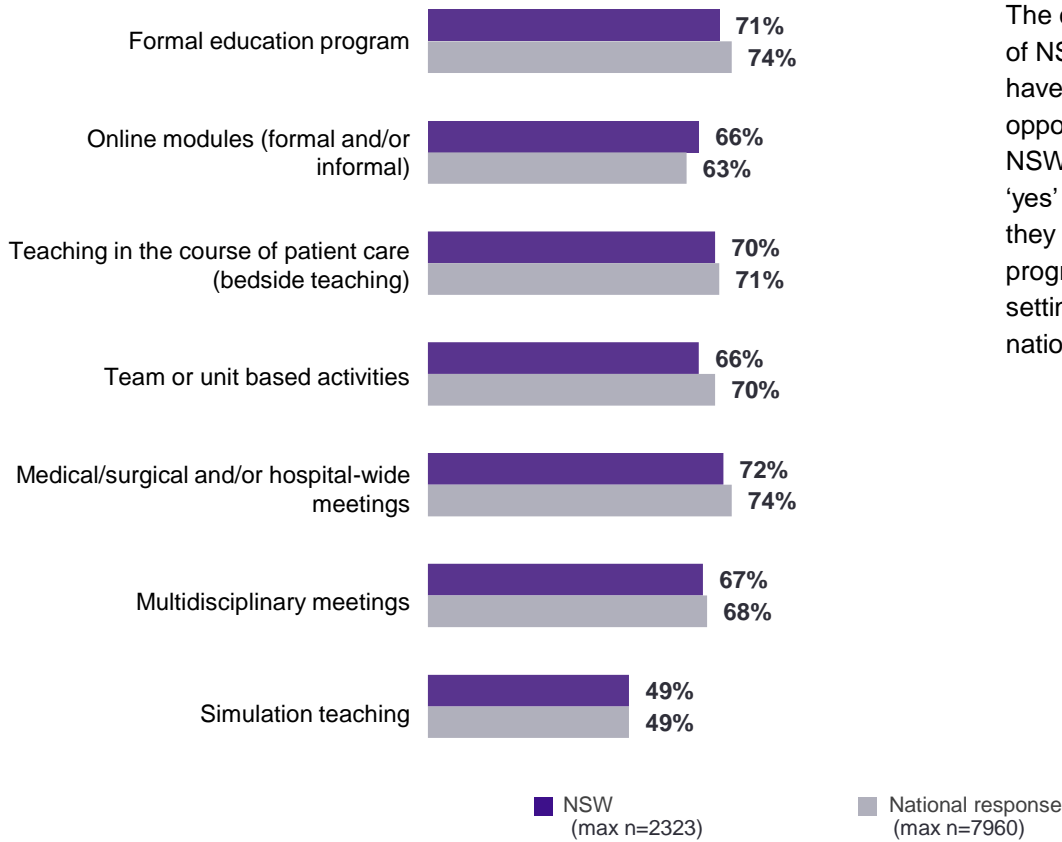


Base: Total sample

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

## Access to teaching

### WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES ARE AVAILABLE TO YOU IN YOUR SETTING? (% yes)

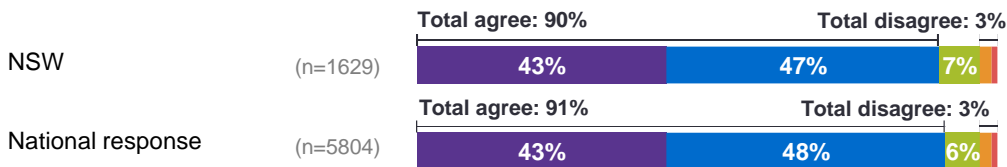


The chart shows the proportion of NSW doctors in training who have various educational opportunities available. 71% of NSW doctors in training gave a 'yes' response to indicate that they have a formal education program available in their setting, which is in line with the national response (74%).

Base: Total sample  
 Q37. Which of the following educational opportunities are available to you in your setting?

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

#### Formal education program



Among NSW doctors in training who report formal education is available (as shown on the chart above), 90% find this training useful.

The charts are continued on the next page.

Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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

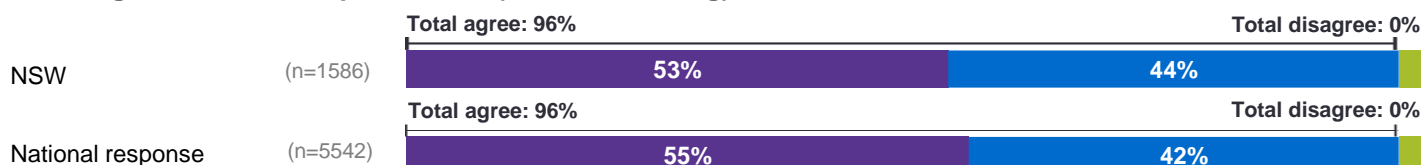
## Access to teaching

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

#### Online modules (formal and/or informal)



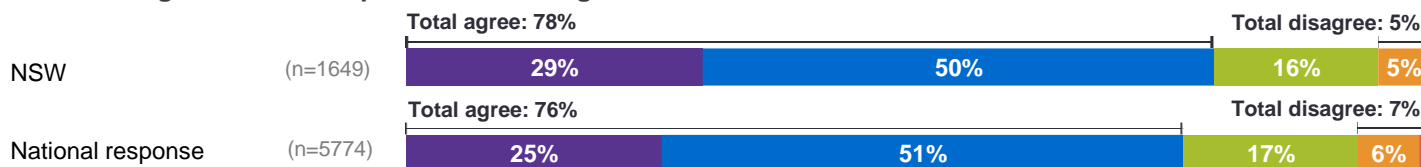
#### Teaching in the course of patient care (bedside teaching)



#### Team or unit based activities



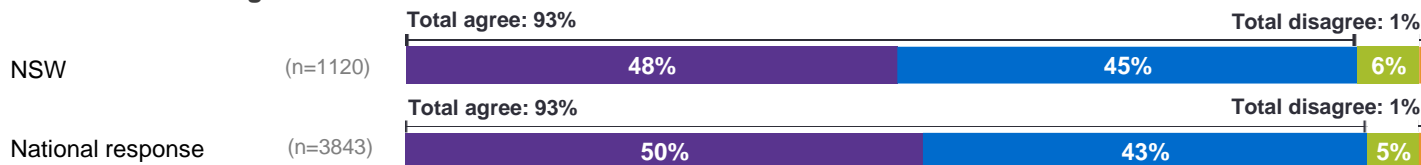
#### Medical/surgical and/or hospital-wide meetings



#### Multidisciplinary meetings



#### Simulation teaching



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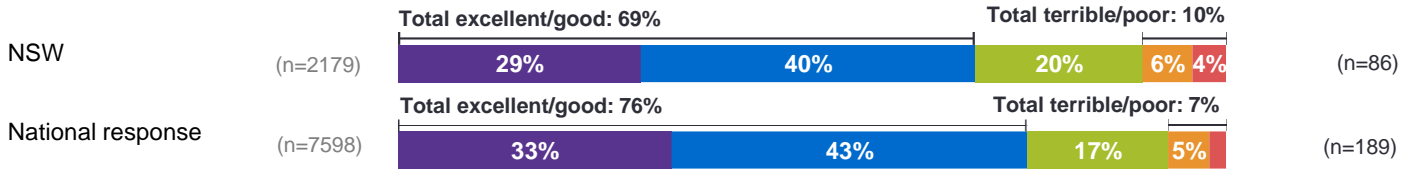
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## Facilities

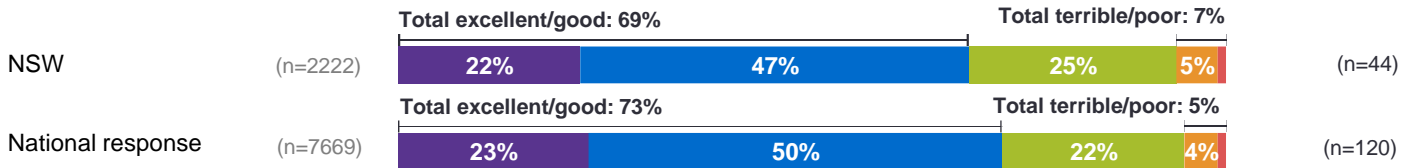
### HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR SETTING?

#### Reliable internet for training purposes

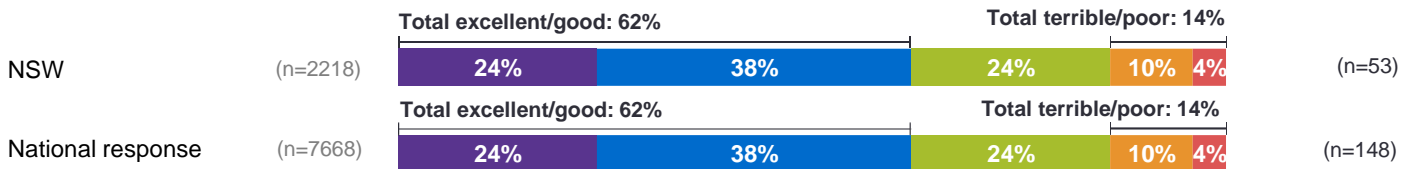
Not provided



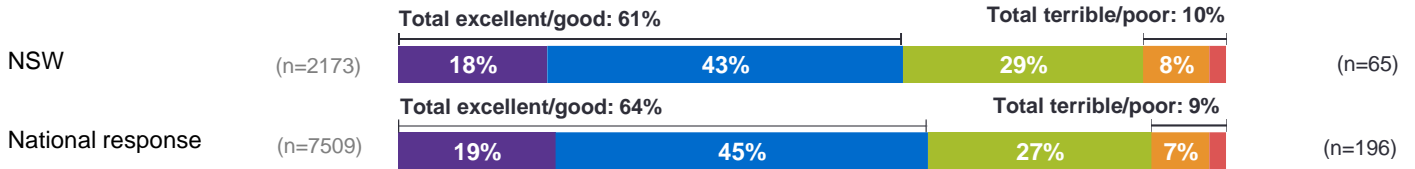
#### Educational resources



#### Working space, such as a desk and computer



#### Teaching spaces



Key: ■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Average ■ Poor ■ Terrible

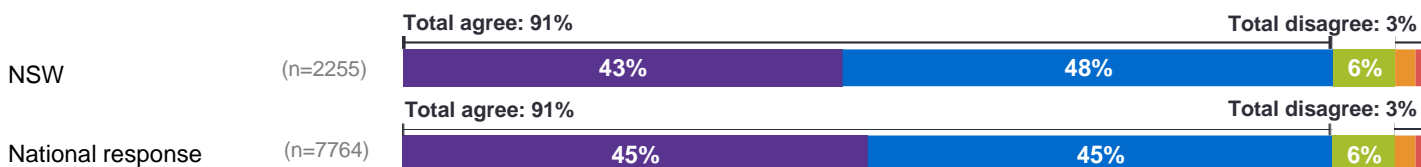
Base: Total sample excluding not provided (shown separately)  
 Q40. How would you rate the quality of the following in your setting?



## Workplace environment and culture

### CULTURE WITHIN THE TRAINEE'S SETTING

#### Most senior medical staff are supportive



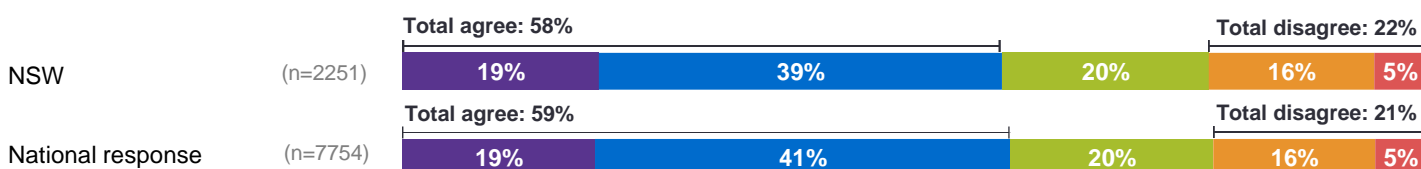
#### My workplace supports staff wellbeing



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



#### I have a good work/life balance



**Key:** ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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

### CULTURE WITHIN THE TRAINEE'S SETTING (continued)

#### Bullying, harassment and discrimination (including racism) by anyone is not tolerated at my workplace



#### I know how to raise concerns/issues about bullying, harassment and discrimination (including racism) in my workplace



#### I am confident that I could raise concerns/issues about bullying, harassment and discrimination (including racism) in my workplace



#### I could access support from my workplace if I experienced stress or a traumatic event



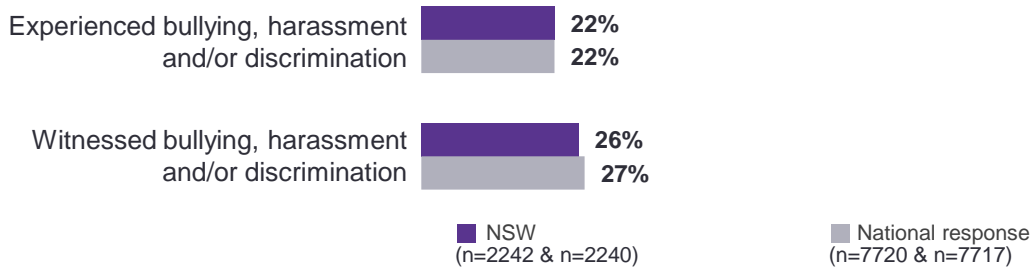
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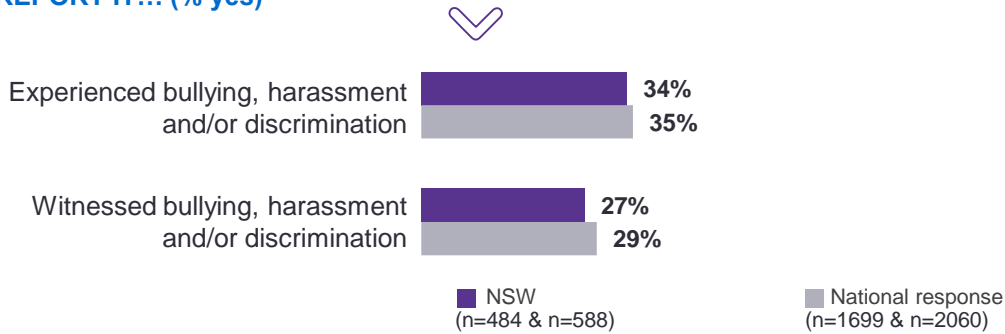
Q41. Thinking about the workplace environment and culture in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Workplace environment and culture

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



### DID YOU REPORT IT... (% yes)



### HAS THE REPORT BEEN FOLLOWED UP... (% yes)

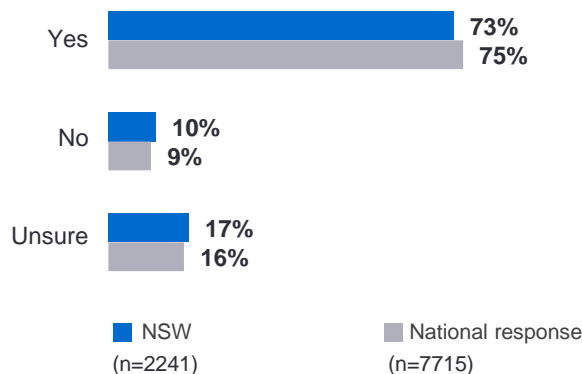


Base: Total sample  
 Q42a. Thinking about your workplace, in the past 12 months, have you...?

Base: Experienced/witnessed bullying, harassment and/or discrimination (including racism)  
 Q42b. Did you report it?

Base: Reported bullying, harassment and/or discrimination (including racism)  
 Q42c. Has the report been followed up?

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

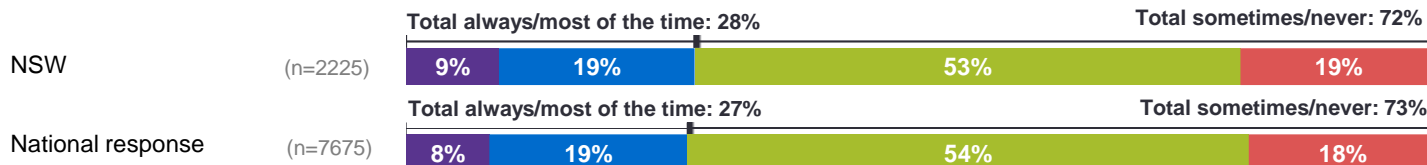


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 Q43. If you needed support, do you know how to access support for your health (including for stress and other psychological distress)?

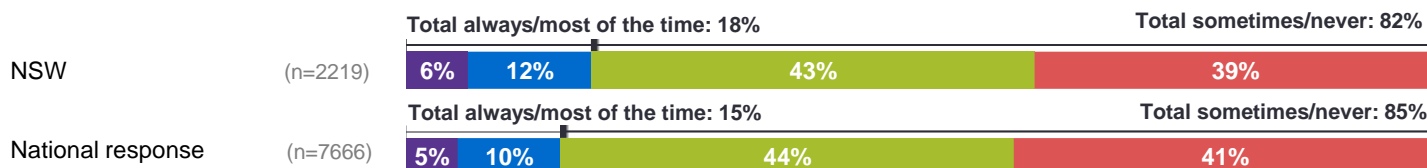
## Workplace environment and culture

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

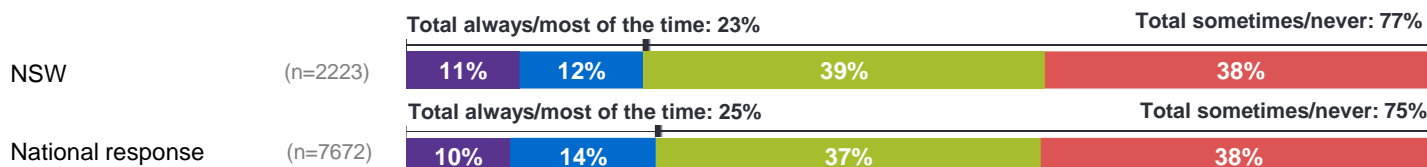
#### The amount of work I am expected to do



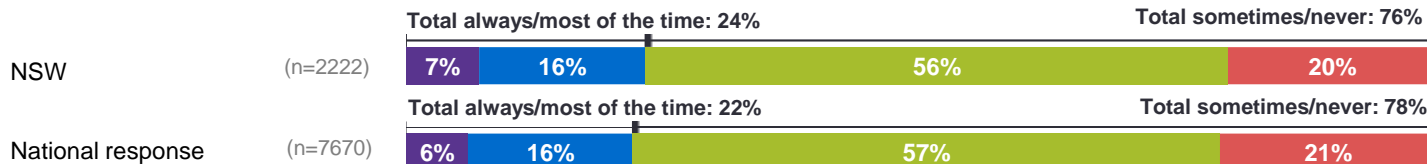
#### Having to work paid overtime



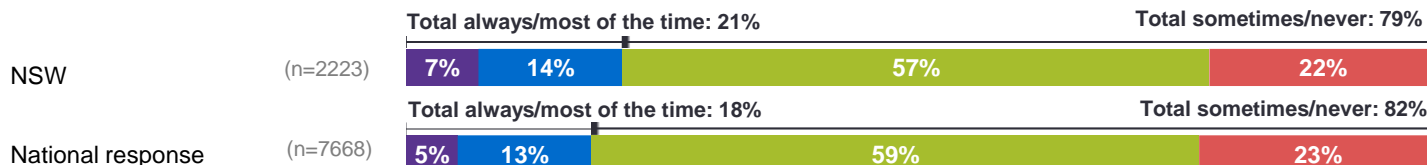
#### Having to work unpaid overtime



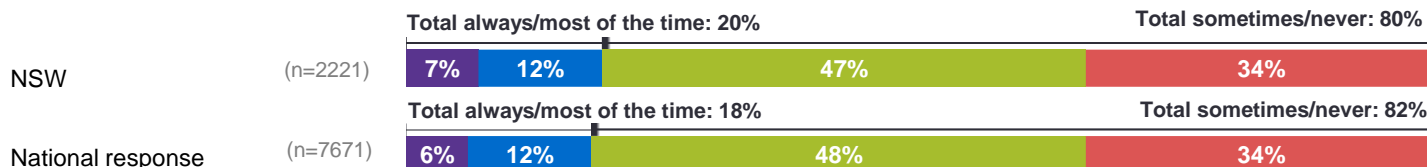
#### Dealing with patient expectations



#### Dealing with patients' families



#### Expectations of supervisors



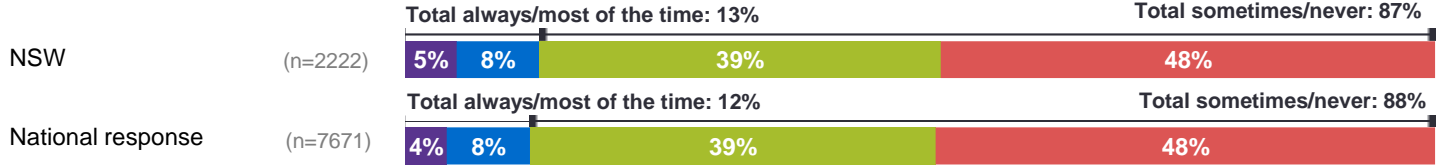
Key: Always (purple), Most of the time (blue), Sometimes (green), Never (red)

Base: Total sample  
 Q44. How often do the following adversely affect your wellbeing in your setting?

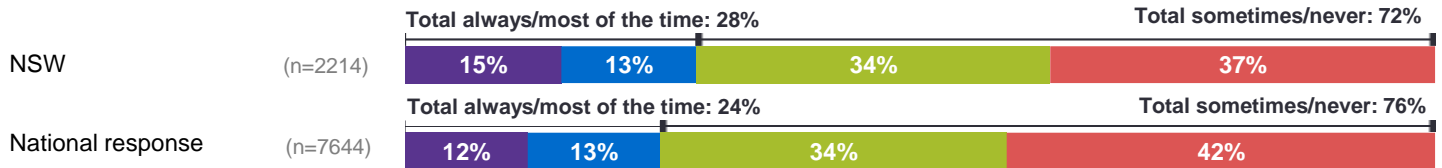
## Workplace environment and culture

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

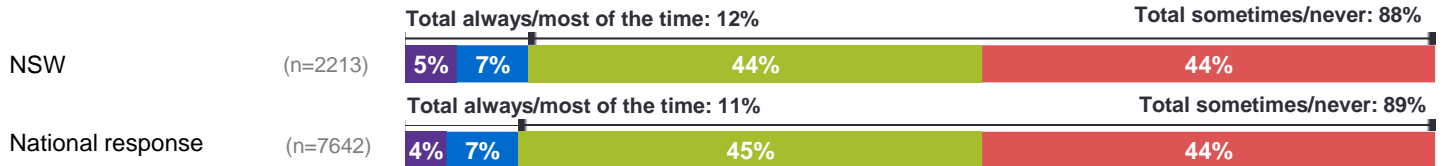
#### Supervisor feedback



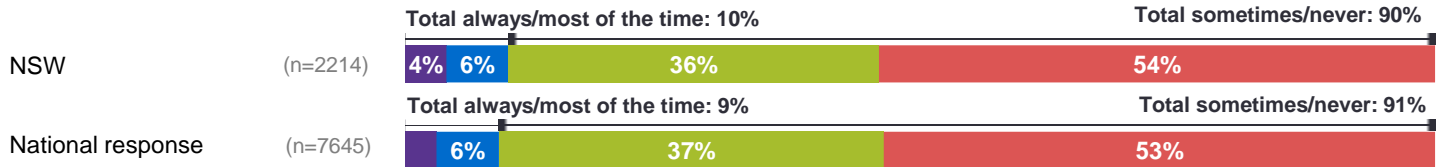
#### Having to relocate for work



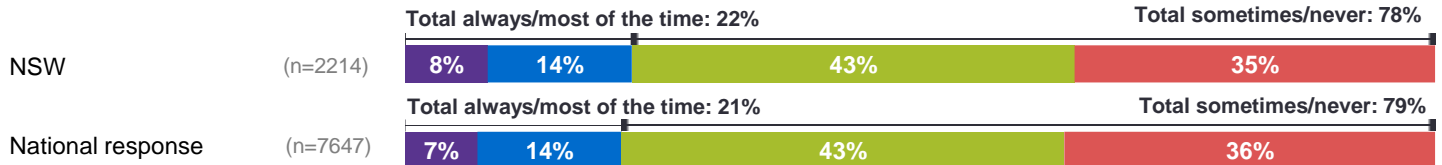
#### Being expected to do work that I don't feel confident doing



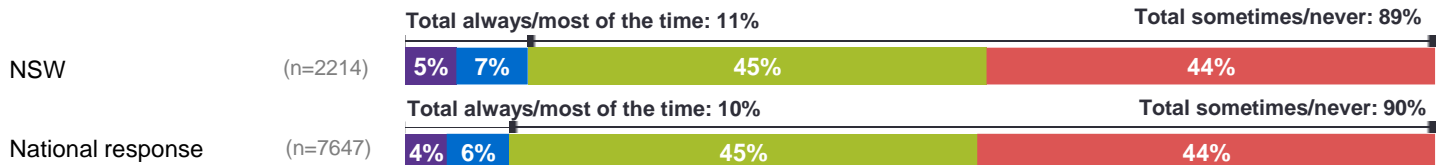
#### Limited access to senior clinicians



#### Lack of appreciation



#### Workplace conflict

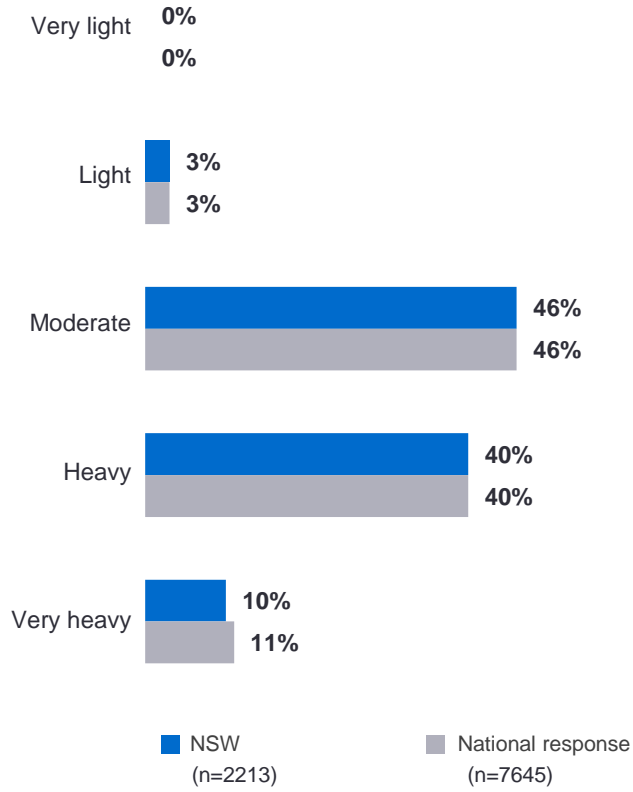


Key: Always Most of the time Sometimes Never

Base: Total sample  
 Q44. How often do the following adversely affect your wellbeing in your setting?

## Workplace environment and culture

### HOW WOULD YOU RATE YOUR WORKLOAD IN YOUR SETTING?



Base: Total sample  
 Q45. How would you rate your workload in your setting?

## Workplace environment and culture

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

On average, NSW doctors in training worked...



On average, doctors in training nationally worked...



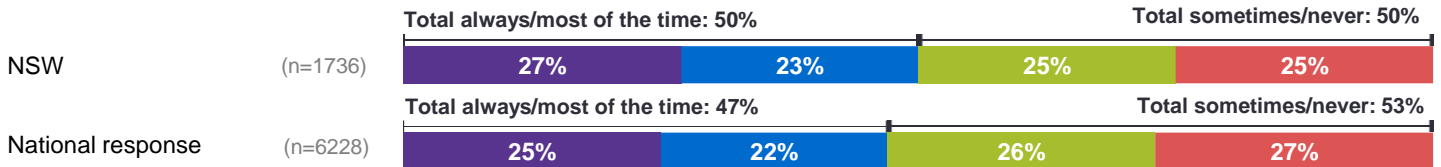
On average, NSW doctors in training work 47.3 hours a week, compared to 46.9 hours a week for the national response.

For NSW doctors in training, 77% are working 40 hours a week or more, compared to the national response of 76%.

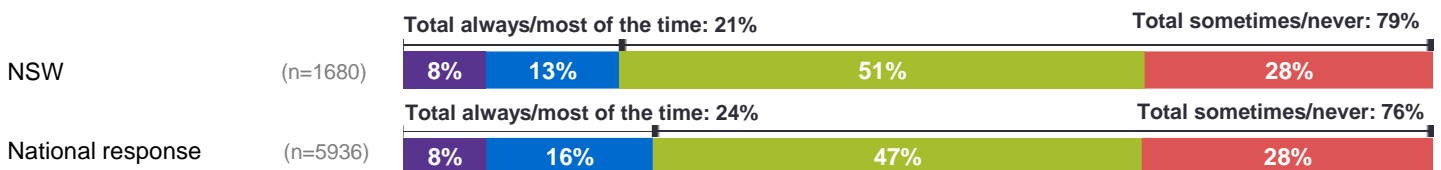
Base: Total sample (National: n=7619; NSW: n=2204)  
 Q46. On average in the past month, how many hours per week have you worked?

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

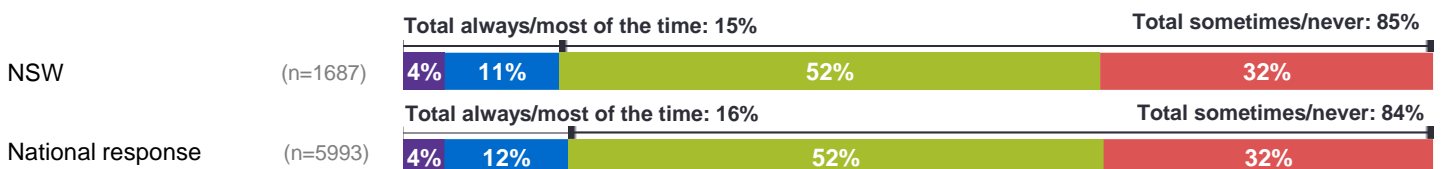
You get paid for the unrostered overtime



Working unrostered overtime have a negative impact on your training



Working unrostered overtime provide you with more training opportunities

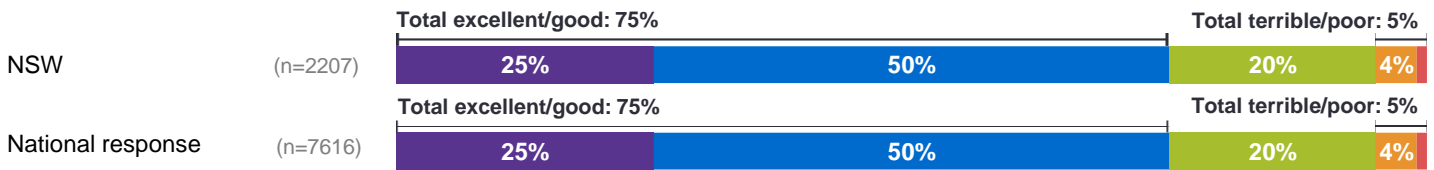


Key: Always (purple), Most of the time (blue), Sometimes (green), Never (red)

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

## Patient safety

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



Base: Total sample  
 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



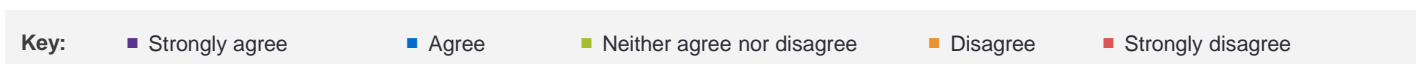
#### There is a culture of proactively dealing with concerns about patient care and safety



#### 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



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?



## 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

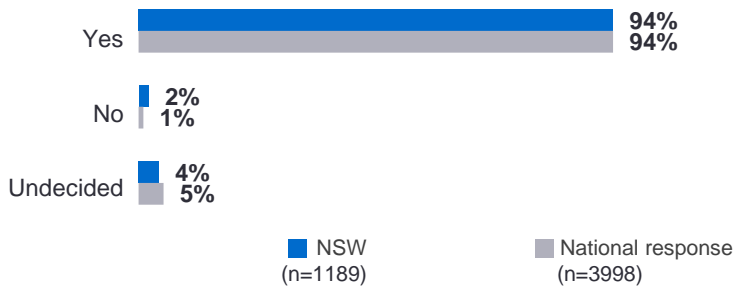


**Key:** ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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

## Future career intentions

### CONTINUATION OF SPECIALITY TRAINING PROGRAM

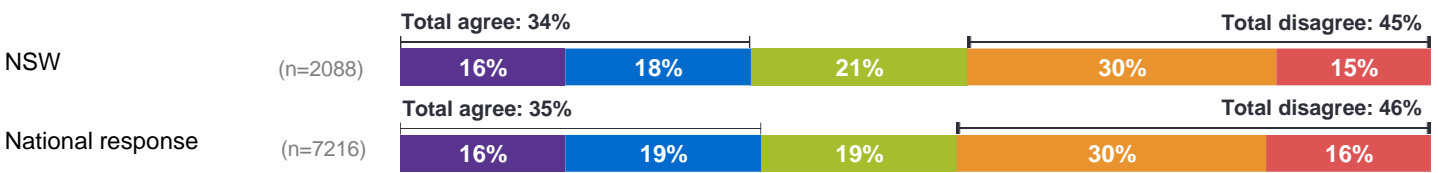


Overall, 94% of NSW doctors in training intend to continue with their speciality.

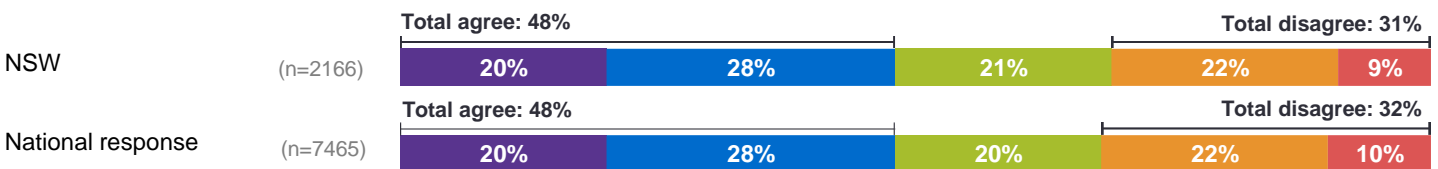
Base: Specialist trainees  
 Q51a. Do you intend to continue in your specialty training program?

### TRAINING PROGRAM COMPLETION

#### I am concerned I will not successfully complete my training program to attain Fellowship



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



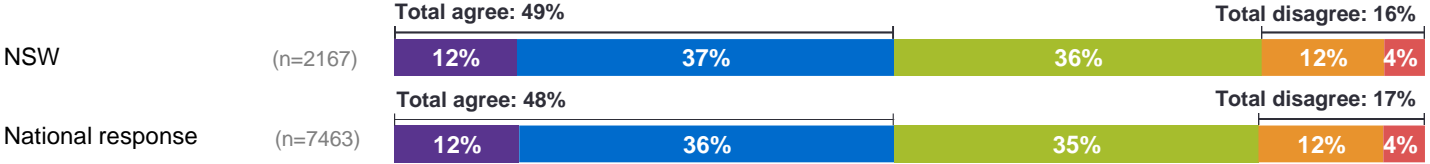
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Base: Total sample  
 Q54. Thinking about your future career, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

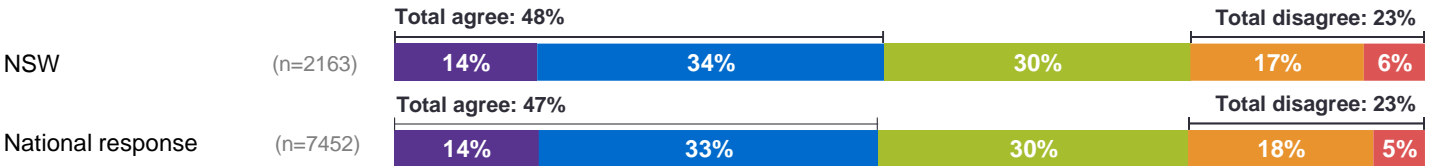
## Future career intentions

### CAREER INTERESTS

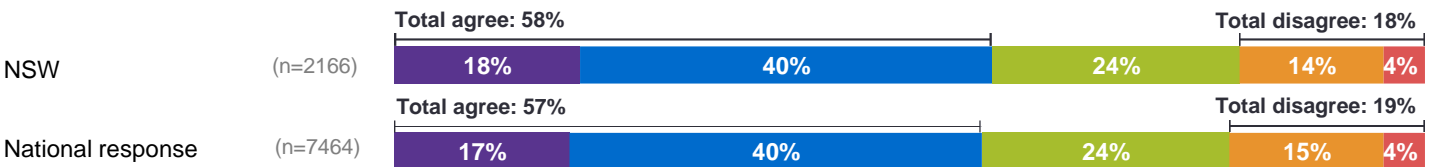
#### I have an interest in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health/healthcare



#### I am interested in rural practice



#### I am interested in getting involved in medical research



#### I am interested in getting involved in medical teaching



**Key:** ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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

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