

# Medical Training Survey 2022

Medical Board of Australia and Ahpra

Report for the Northern Territory



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### 2022 MEDICAL TRAINING SURVEY

The Medical Training Survey (MTS) is proving to be an invaluable diagnostic tool, shining a light on the state of medical training in Australia.

With 56% of trainees sharing their insights in the 2022 MTS, there is a robust evidence base to inform ongoing improvements in training.

Each year, MTS results signal both what's going well in training and issues to watch. Trends are visible early, enabling close monitoring or swift action by agencies best placed to respond and effect positive change.

There is still a lot going well in medical training, some important issues that require attention and some early trends to monitor closely.

The culture of medical training needs attention. It is totally unacceptable that 55% of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees experienced and/or witnessed bullying, harassment, discrimination and racism. It is inexcusable that 34% of all trainees did. The 1% variation from last year in the overall rate reported is not statistically significant and sets a baseline for a problem that demands action.

The source of bullying, harassment, discrimination and racism changed in 2022, with an increase in patients and or family/carers identified as the source of the incident (up from 38% in 2021 to 45% in 2022). This is an important issue to watch and may point to frustrations with a health system under pressure.

A new question about reasons for not reporting concerns about bullying, harassment, discrimination and racism proved its value. We no longer have to speculate that trainees are concerned about the consequences of reporting, we know this is true. Of those who had experienced bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism, 70% did not report it. Of these trainees, 55% were concerned about the repercussions, and 51% said nothing would be done if they did make a report.

Fault lines in the culture of medicine revealed by the MTS warrant ongoing, collaborative solutions from agencies across the health sector. The Board will continue the policy and professional standards work that will underpin sector wide action, in collaboration with the frontline organisations who hold the keys to lasting cultural change.

There has been a 7% increase (to 53%) in the number of trainees who rated their workload as heavy/very heavy

since the pandemic started in 2020. On the upside, this year's results reveal an increase in the number of trainees getting paid for their overtime.

The COVID-19 pandemic continued to impact on training in most areas, but slightly differently from the previous year. In 2022, workload was adversely affected, while exam preparation and training opportunities were largely impacted in 2021.

We are delighted that the participation rate for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees increased from 158 in 2021 to 191 in 2022. The MTS has given us all an important opportunity to listen to and act on the feedback from these trainees, as we move towards providing culturally safe and appropriate medical training and more broadly, culturally safe medical care.

Other small changes indicate there was a dip in the quality of teaching in 2022, and a drop in the number of trainees who would recommend their current training position or organisation (from 80% in 2021 to 78% in 2022) to others.

More trainees are considering a future outside of medicine (up from 18% in 2021 to 20% in 2022). Disturbingly, at 29% this rate is higher for Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander trainees.

Australia continues to deliver high quality medical training, producing doctors who provide high quality medical care to patients in this country.

However, MTS results suggest that in 2022, things were not quite as good in medical training as they have been in previous years. Qualitative research and analysis would be needed to definitively understand the reasons for this, but it is possible that broader, pandemic-related health system pressures are adversely affecting medical training. Through the MTS, the health sector has been given early warning about issues to address. We all owe it to trainees to act.



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**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 2022 representing the fourth 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 = 23,083 doctors in training, with n = 22,135 responses eligible for analysis (i.e. currently training in Australia) between 28 July and 8 October 2022.



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](https://medicaltrainingsurvey.gov.au/results).

### INTERPRETING THIS REPORT

This report provides key results based on n = 396 doctors in training working in locations across the Northern Territory compared against national results (n = 22,135) of all eligible doctors in training (i.e. currently training in Australia).

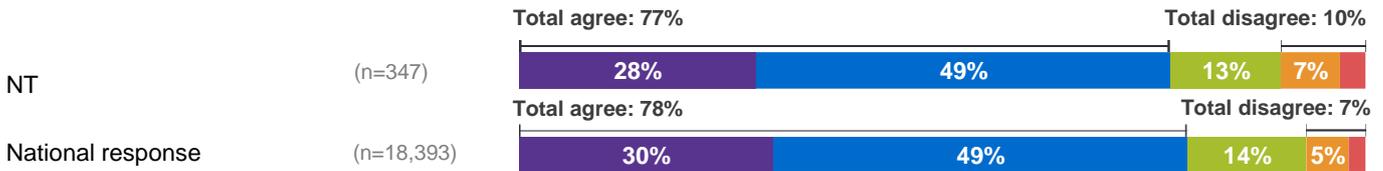
Bases exclude 'not applicable' responses or where the respondent skipped the question. Data in this report are unweighted. Labels on stacked charts are hidden for results 3% or less. Results with base sizes of less than n = 10 are suppressed.

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.

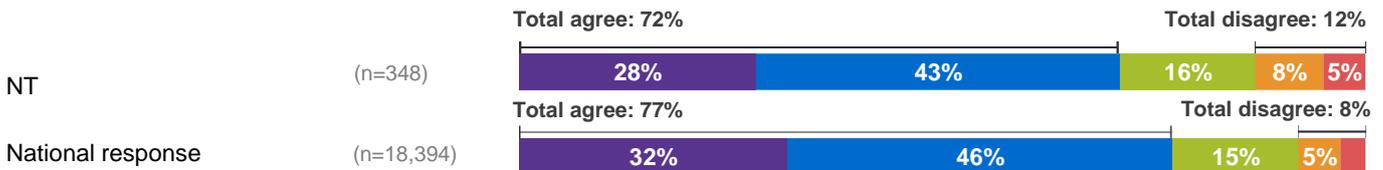
## Executive summary

### OVERALL SATISFACTION

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



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



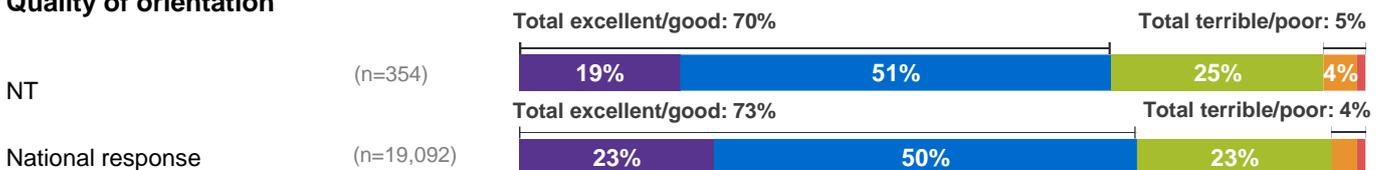
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Base: Total sample

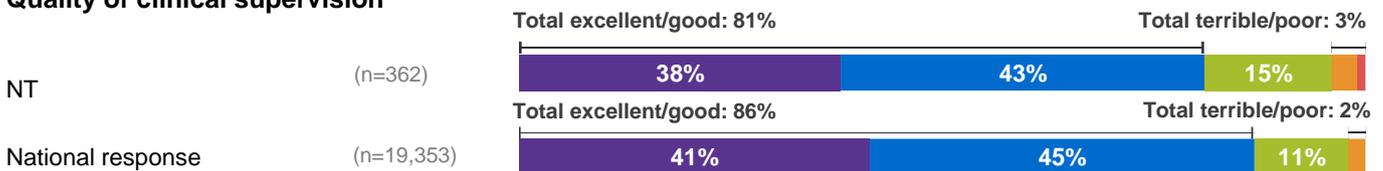
Q50. Thinking about your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

### HIGHLIGHTS

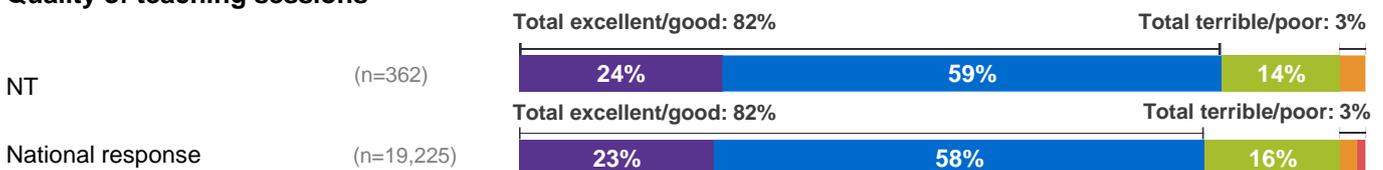
#### Quality of orientation



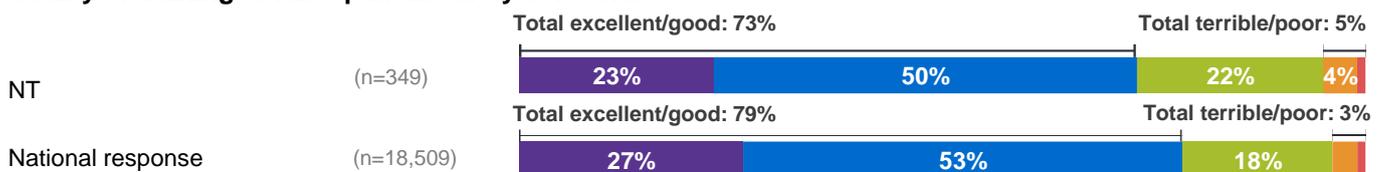
#### Quality of clinical supervision



#### Quality of teaching sessions



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



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

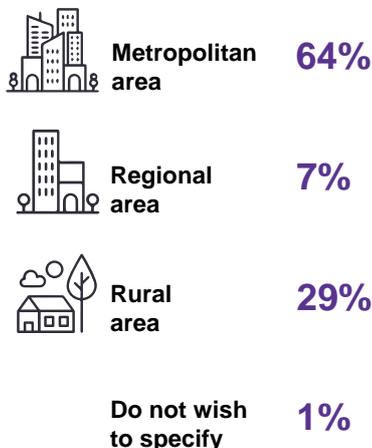
Base: Have a supervisor | Q31. For your setting, how would you rate the quality of your clinical supervision / peer review?

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 NT doctors in training

### SETTING

#### Region



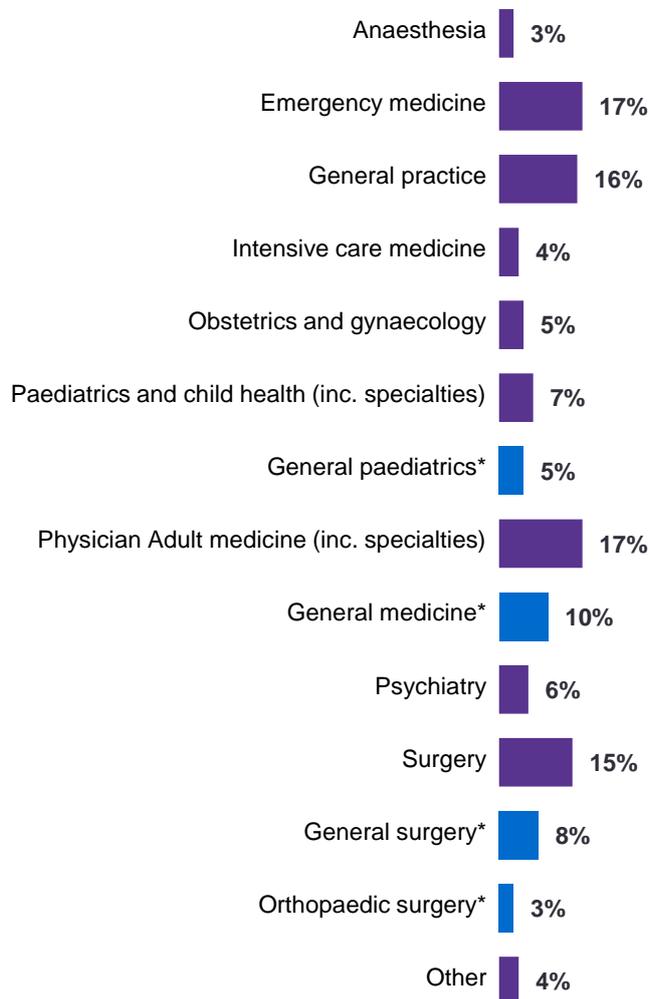
Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 389)  
 Q6. Is your current setting in a...?

#### Facility



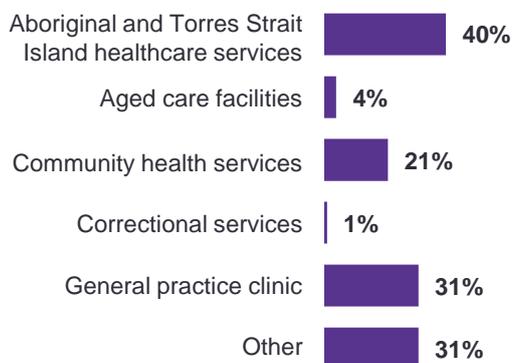
Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 393)  
 Q5A. Is your current position/term/rotation/placement predominantly in a hospital?

### CURRENT ROTATION / TERM / POSITION



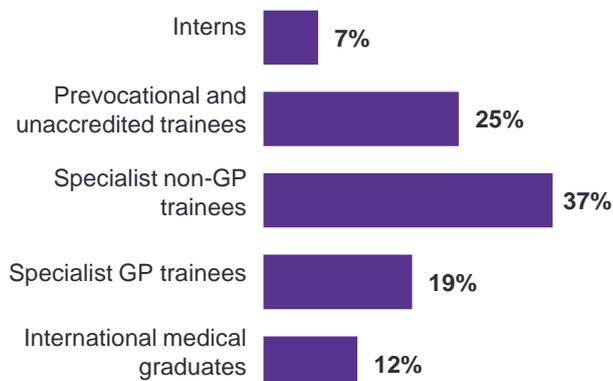
Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 389), fields with 10 or more responses shown.  
 Note: fields marked with an \* are subspecialties.  
 Q9a. Which area are you currently practising in? | Q9b. If applicable, which subspecialty area are you practising in?

### Additional settings worked in



Base: Total sample excluding Not applicable (2022 NT: n = 156)  
 Q5c. Select any additional settings you work in / Which settings do you work in?

### DOCTOR IN TRAINING COHORT

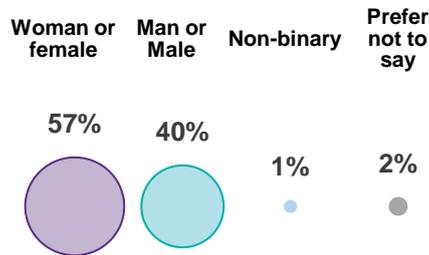


Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 396)

## Profile of NT doctors in training

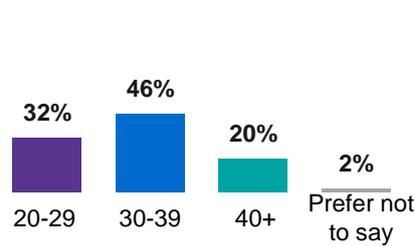
### DEMOGRAPHICS

#### Do you identify as...



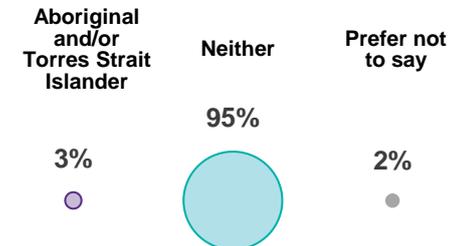
Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 346)  
Q55. Do you identify as...?

#### Age in years



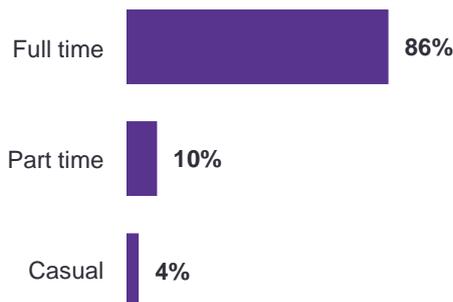
Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 339)  
Q56. What is your age?

#### Cultural background



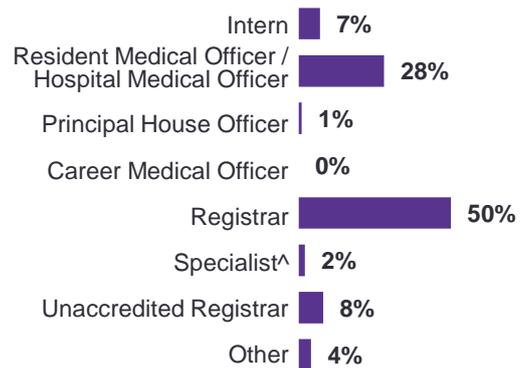
Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 345)  
Q57. Do you identify as an Australian Aboriginal and/or Torres Strait Islander person?

### Employment



Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 393)  
Q2. Are you employed:

### Role



Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 390). ^Asked of IMGs only  
Q7. What is your role in the setting?

### Postgraduate year

#### Postgraduate year average is



Base: Total sample (National: 2022 n = 21,789; NT: 2022 n = 393)  
Q1. What is your postgraduate year?

### Primary degree



Base: Total sample (2022 NT: n = 353)  
Q58a. Did you complete your primary medical degree in Australia or New Zealand?

## 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: 2022 n = 12,155; NT: 2022 n = 213)  
 Q15. How many years have you been in the College training program?

### INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGs)

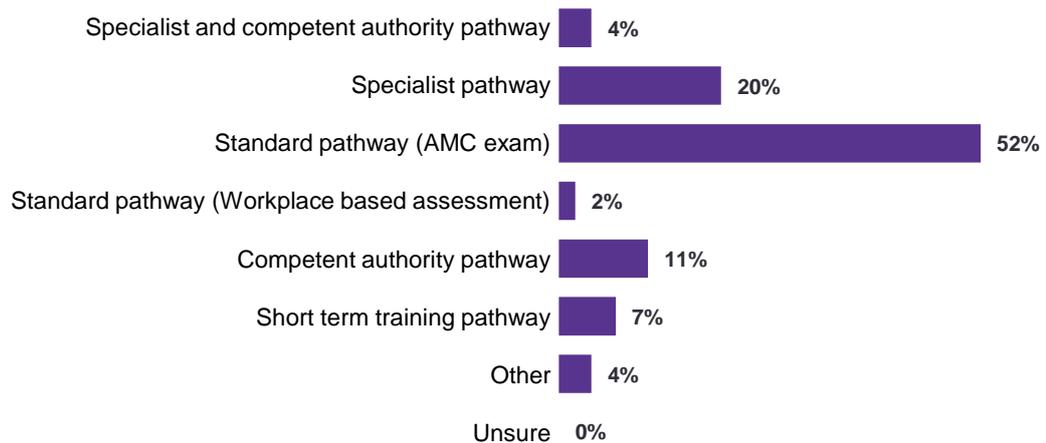
On average, IMGs in NT have held registration in Australia for



Base: IMGs (National: 2022 n = 2,231; NT: 2022 n = 46)  
 Q10. How many years have you held registration in Australia?

### INTERNATIONAL MEDICAL GRADUATES (IMGs)

#### Pathway



Base: IMGs (2022 NT: n = 46)  
 Q11a. Which pathway are you in?

#### Specialist pathway assessment

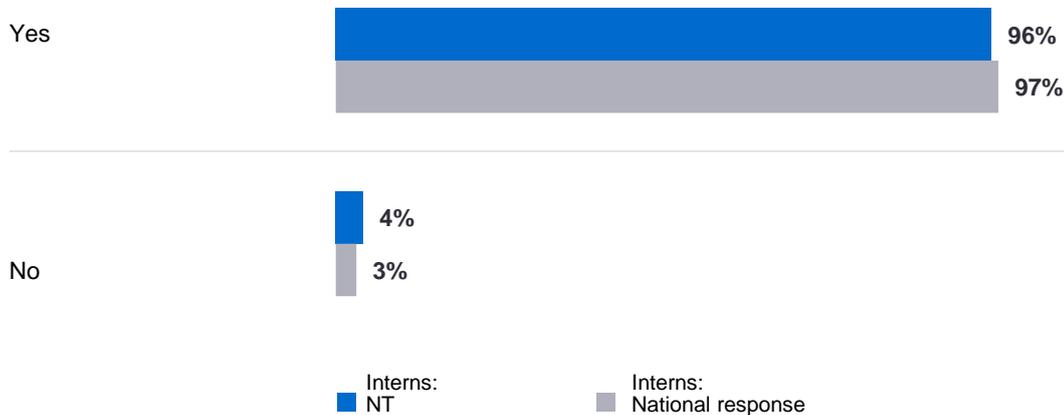
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Base: IMGs selecting a specialist pathway or specialist and competent authority pathway (2022 NT: n = 11)  
 Note: IMGs were shown other colleges. Only colleges with 10 or more responses are shown.  
 Q11b. Which college(s) did your specialist pathway assessment?

## Training curriculum - Interns

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

96% of interns in the NT had an intern education program, which was a similar proportion to the national response for interns (97%).

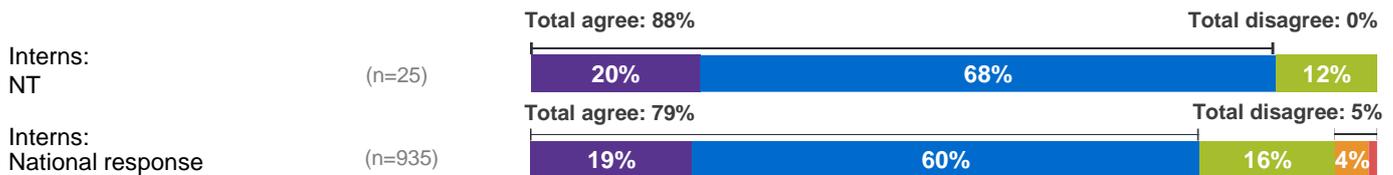


Base: Interns (National: 2022 n = 993; NT: 2022 n = 26)

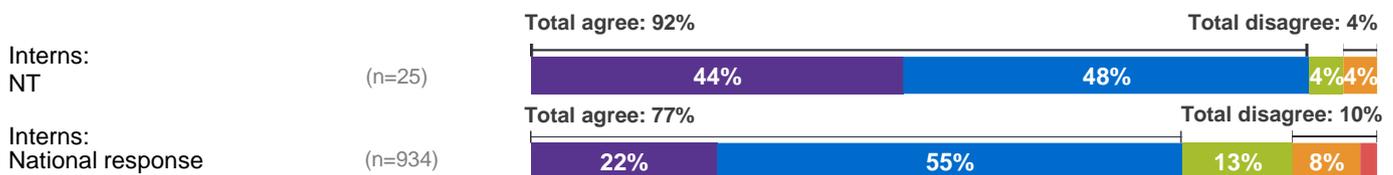
Q12. Organisations that employ interns are required to provide them with a formal education program (such as grand rounds and weekly teaching sessions etc) in addition to work-based teaching and learning. Do you know about your intern education program?

### INTERN EDUCATION PROGRAM

#### My intern education program is helping me to continue to develop as a doctor



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



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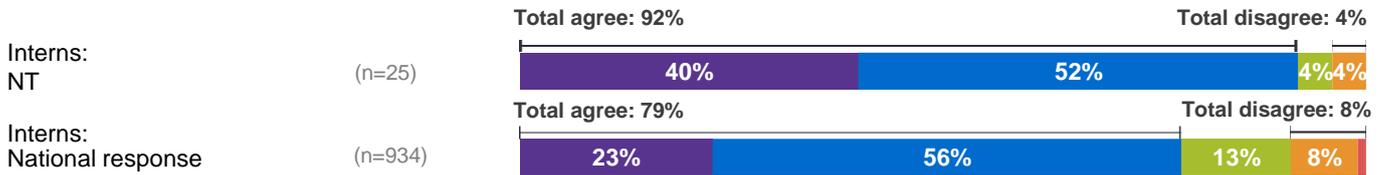
Base: Interns with an intern education program. National response is filtered to interns with an intern education program

Q13. Thinking about your intern education program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

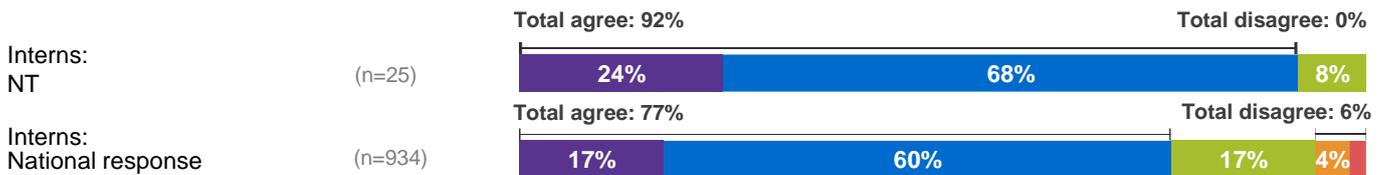
## Training curriculum - Interns

### INTERN EDUCATION PROGRAM (continued)

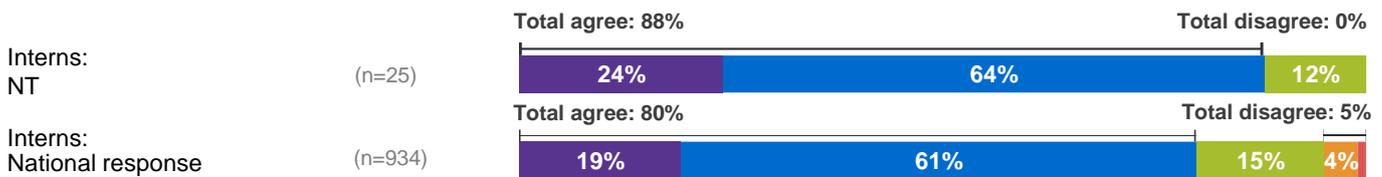
#### I understand what I need to do to meet my intern education program requirements



#### My intern education program is preparing me for future medical practice



#### My intern education program is advancing my knowledge



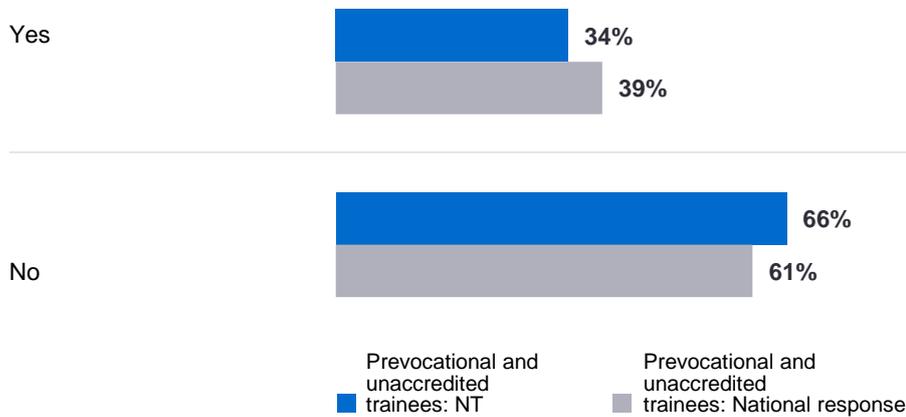
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Base: Interns with an intern education program. National response is filtered to interns with an intern education program  
 Q13. Thinking about your intern education program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Training curriculum - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

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

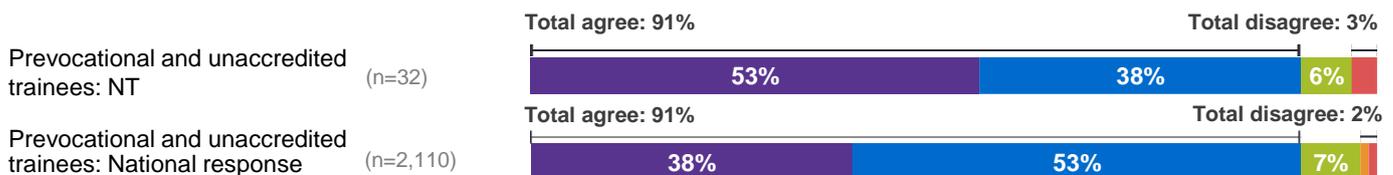
Prevocational and unaccredited trainees in the NT (34%) were less likely to have a training/professional development plan compared to the national response for prevocational and unaccredited trainees (39%).



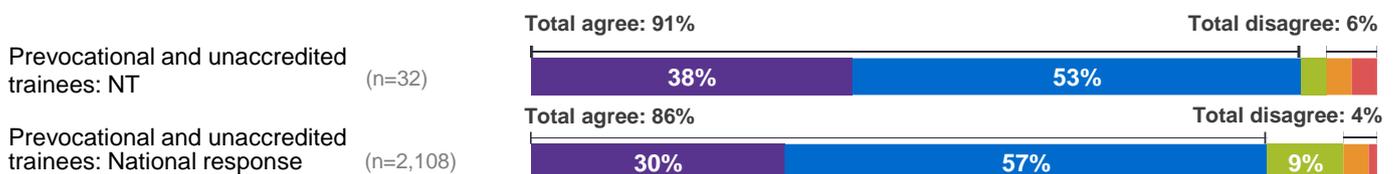
Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees (National: 2022 n = 5,549; NT: 2022 n = 98)  
 Q12. Do you have a professional development or training plan?

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR 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



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

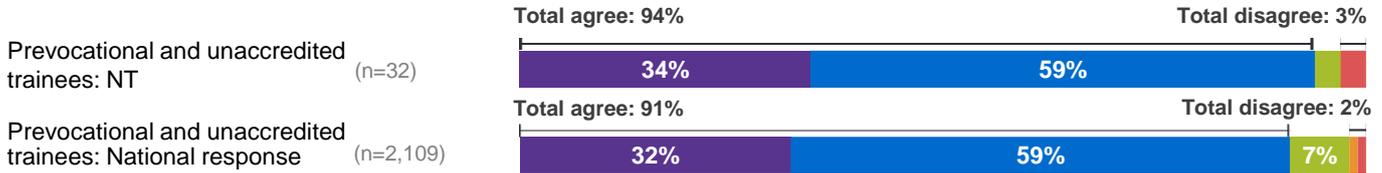
Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a professional development or training plan. National response is filtered to prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a professional development or training plan.

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

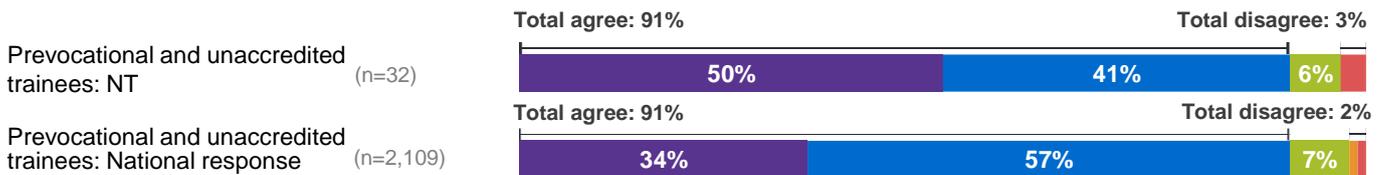
## Training curriculum - Prevocational and unaccredited trainees

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN (continued)

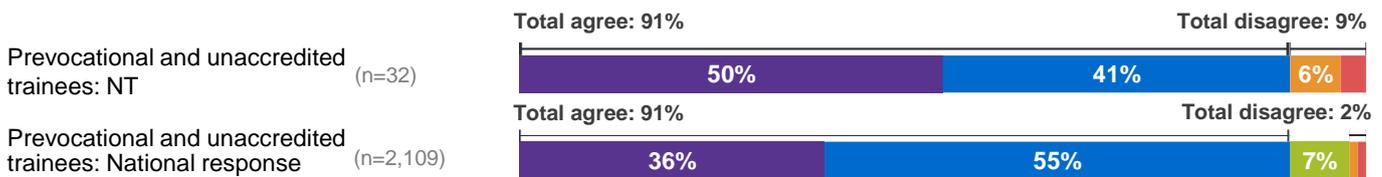
#### I understand what I need to do to meet my plan requirements



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



#### My plan is advancing my knowledge



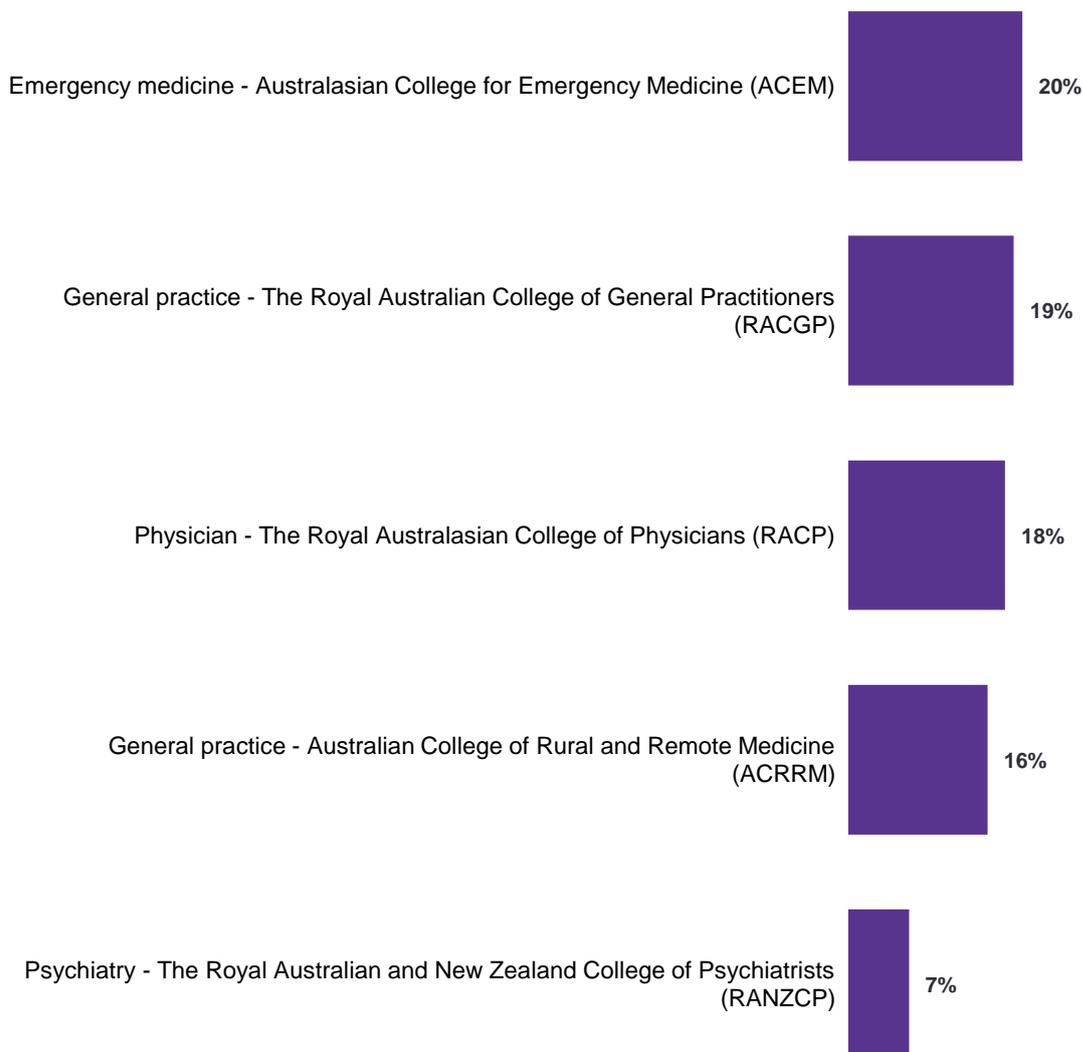
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Base: Prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a training/professional development plan. National response is filtered to prevocational and unaccredited trainees with a professional development or training plan.

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

## Training curriculum - Specialist trainees

### SPECIALIST TRAINING PROGRAM

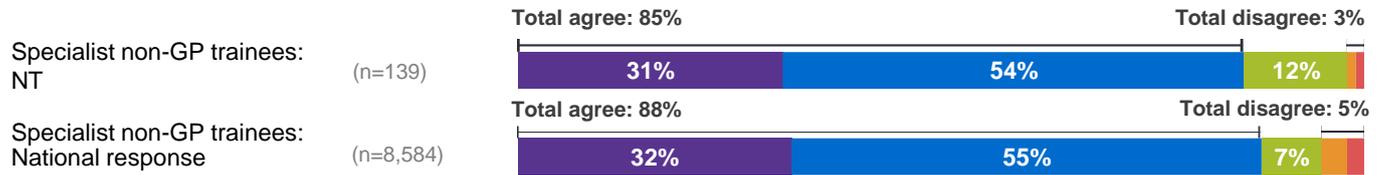


Base: Specialist trainees (NT: 2022 n = 214), fields with 10 or more responses shown.  
 Q14. Which specialist training program(s) are you doing?

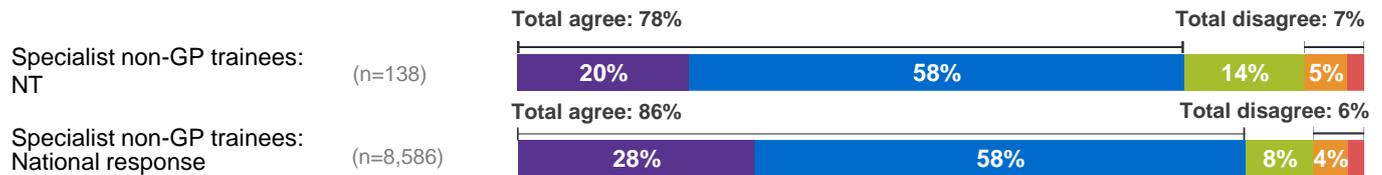
## Training curriculum - Specialist non-GP trainees

### TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED BY COLLEGE

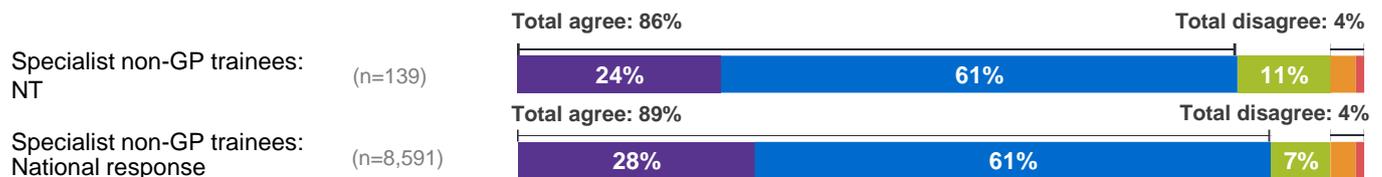
#### The College training program is relevant to my development



#### 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



#### The College supports flexible training arrangements



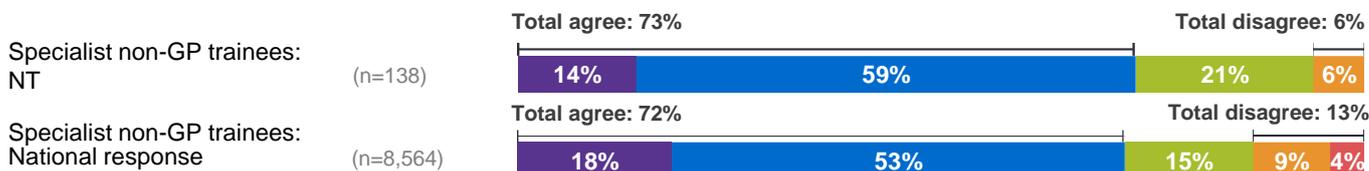
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Base: Specialist non-GP trainees  
 Q21. Thinking about your [COLLEGE] training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

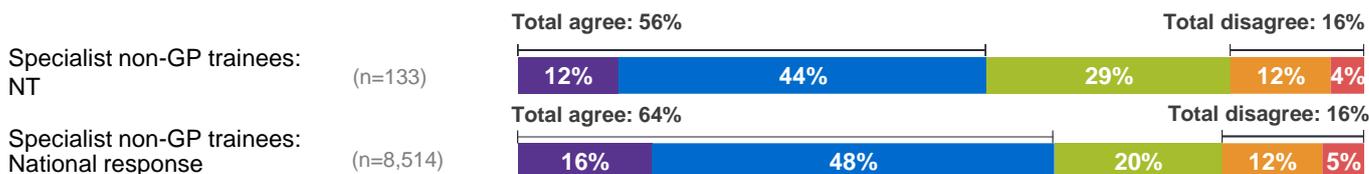
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### COMMUNICATION WITH COLLEGE

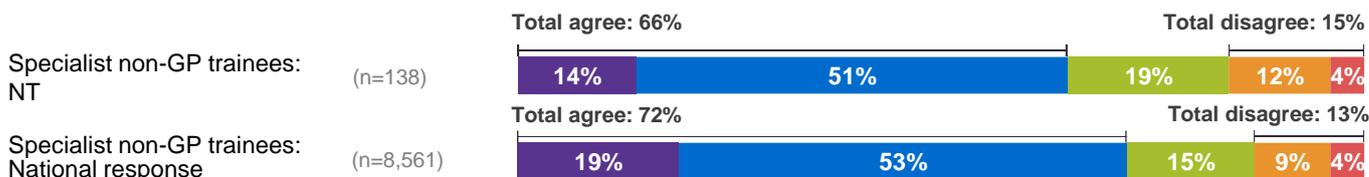
#### My College clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



#### 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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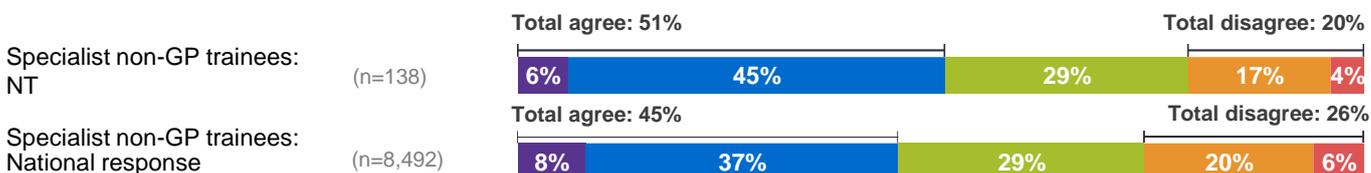
Base: Specialist non-GP trainees

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

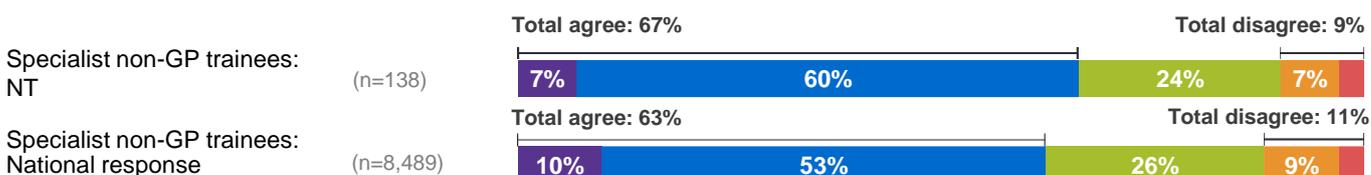
## Training curriculum - Specialist non-GP trainees

### ENGAGEMENT WITH COLLEGE

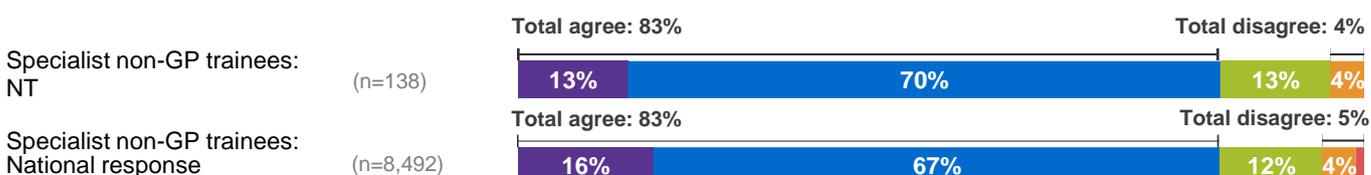
#### The College seeks my views on the training program



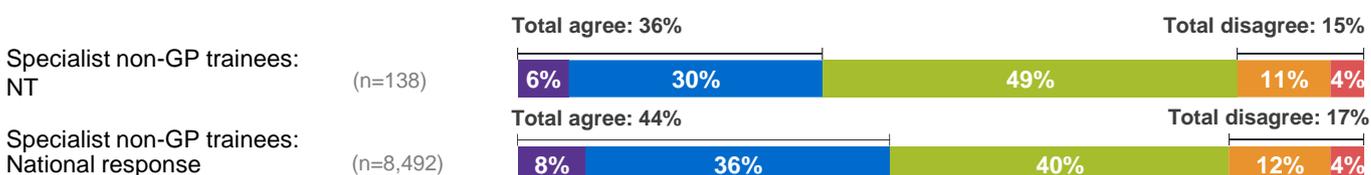
#### I am represented by doctors in training on the College's training and/or education committees



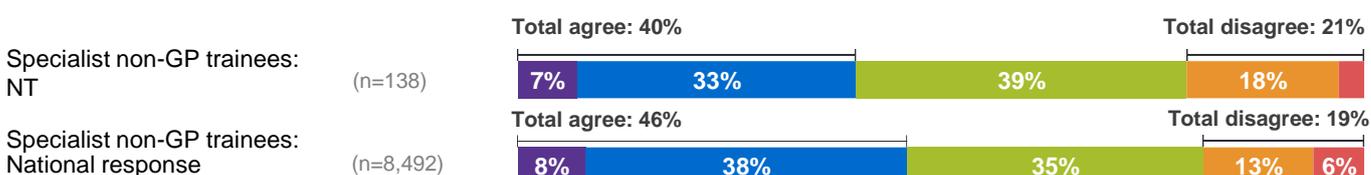
#### I am able to discuss the College training program with other doctors



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



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

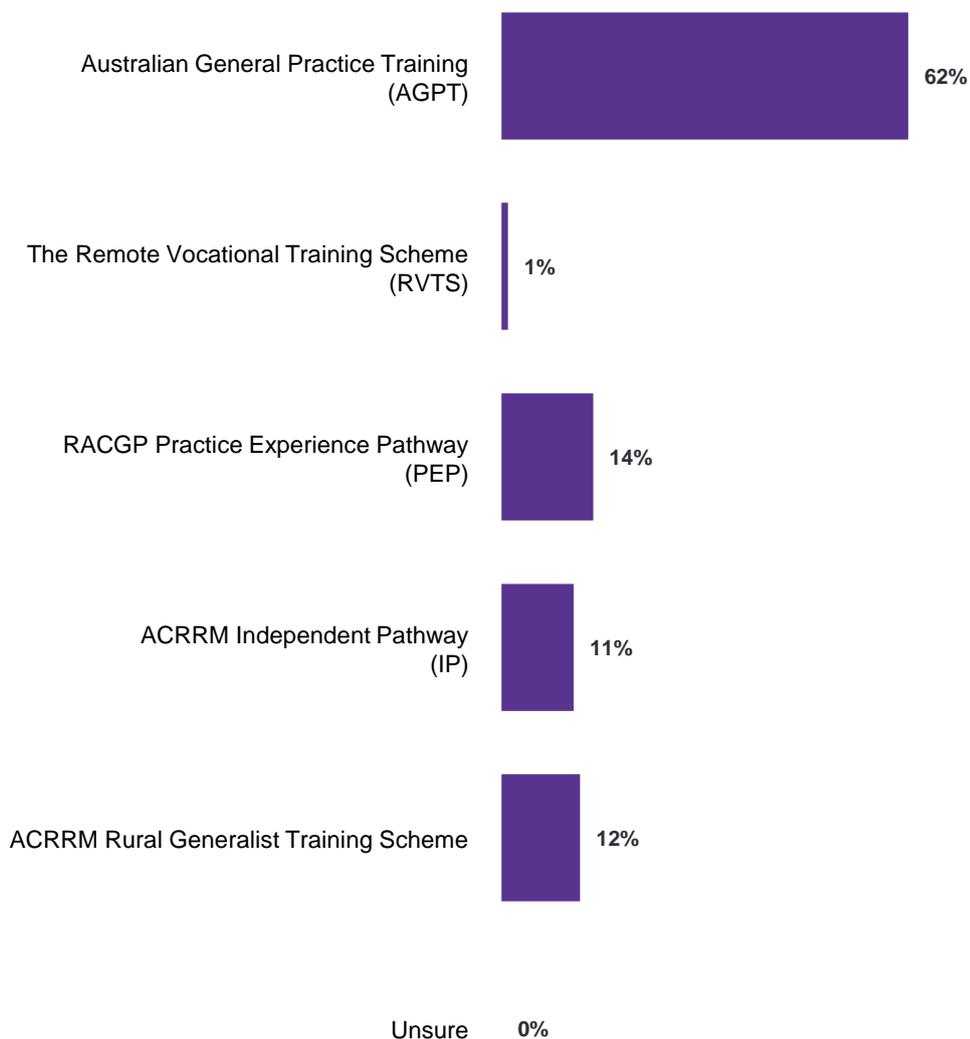


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Base: Specialist non-GP trainees  
 Q25. Thinking about how [COLLEGE] engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### PATHWAY

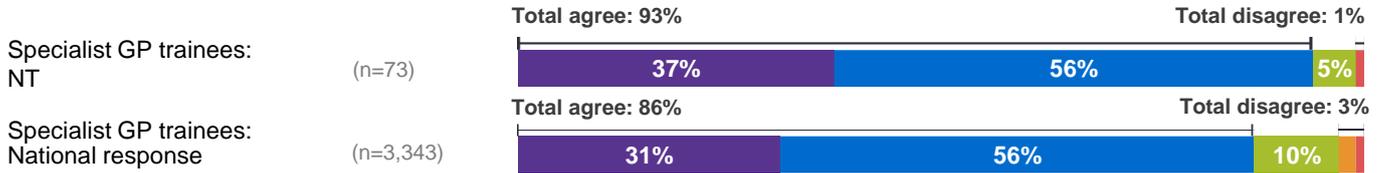


Base: Specialist GP trainees (NT: 2022 n = 74)  
Q16b. Which training program are you in?:

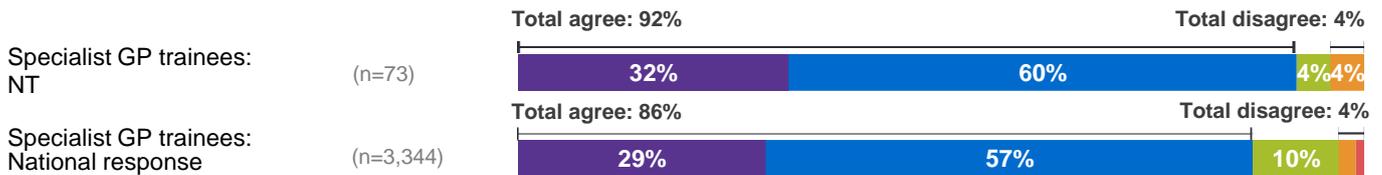
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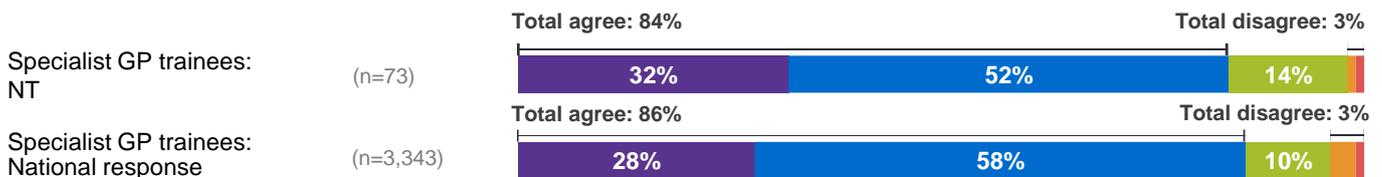
#### The College training program is relevant to my development



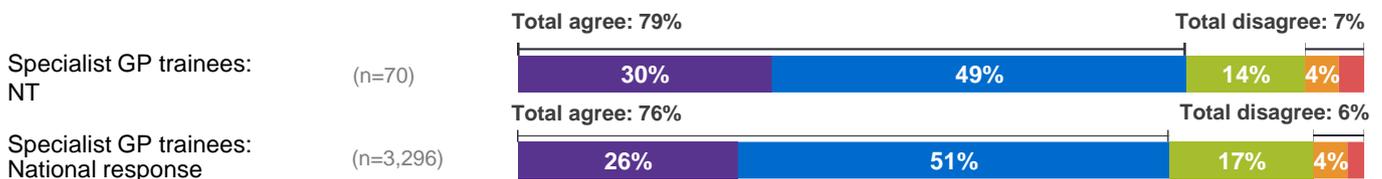
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#### I understand what I need to do to meet my training program requirements



#### The College supports flexible training arrangements



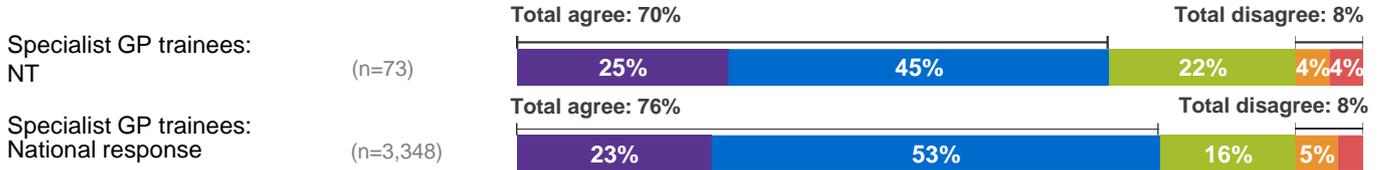
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Base: Specialist GP trainees  
 Q21. Thinking about your [COLLEGE] training program, to what extent do you agree or disagree with each of the following statements?

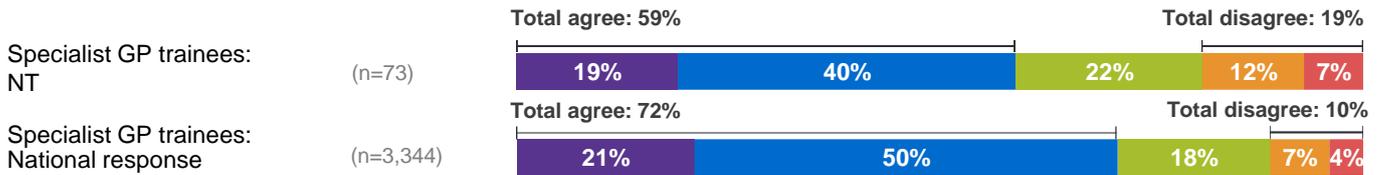
## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### COMMUNICATION WITH COLLEGE

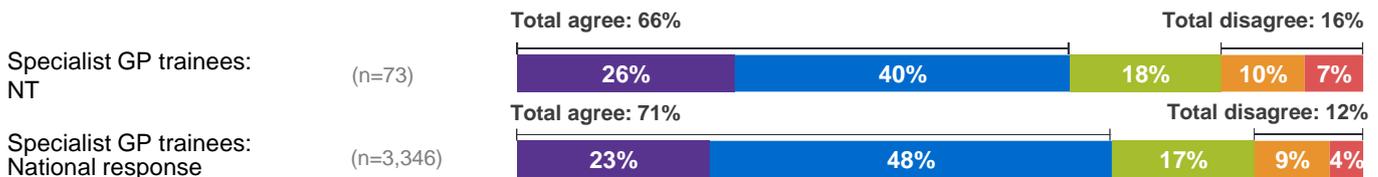
#### My College clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



#### 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



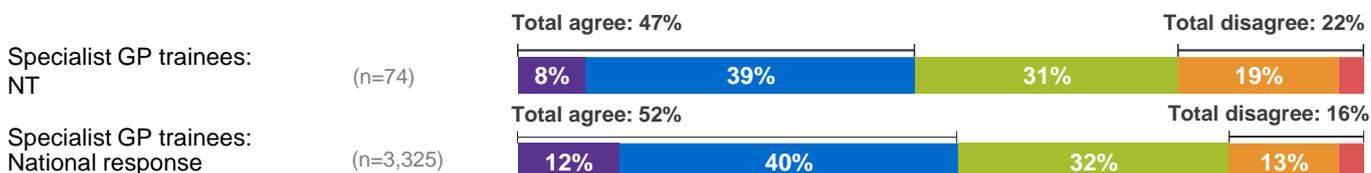
Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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?

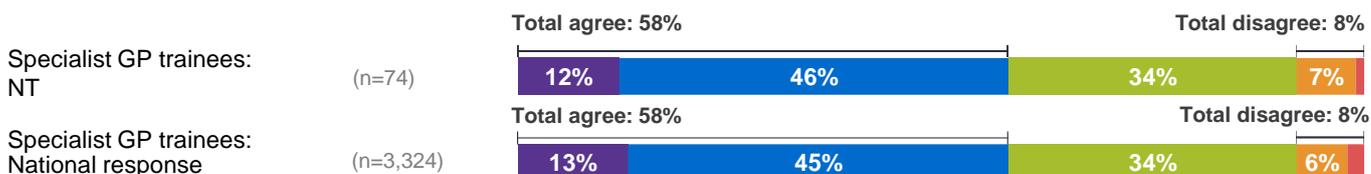
## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### ENGAGEMENT WITH COLLEGE

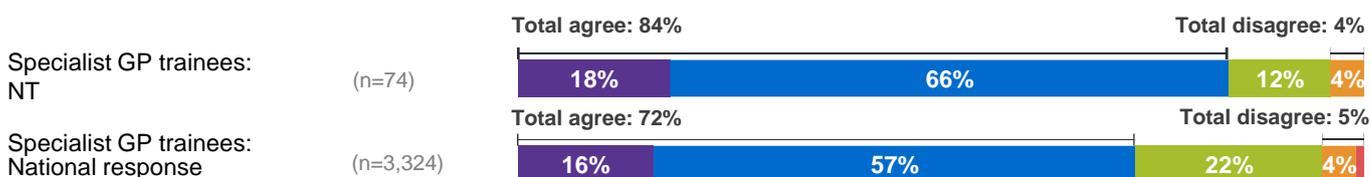
#### The College seeks my views on the training program



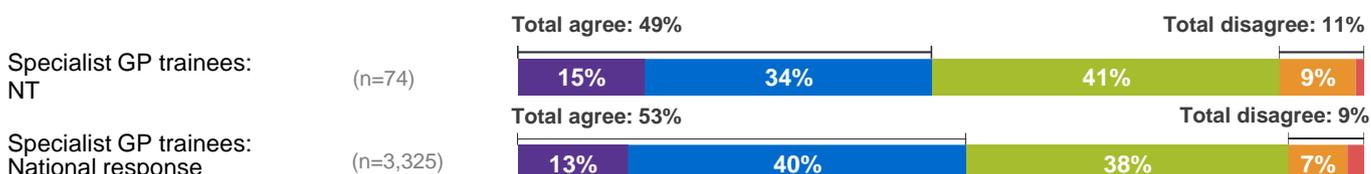
#### I am represented by doctors in training on the College's training and/or education committees



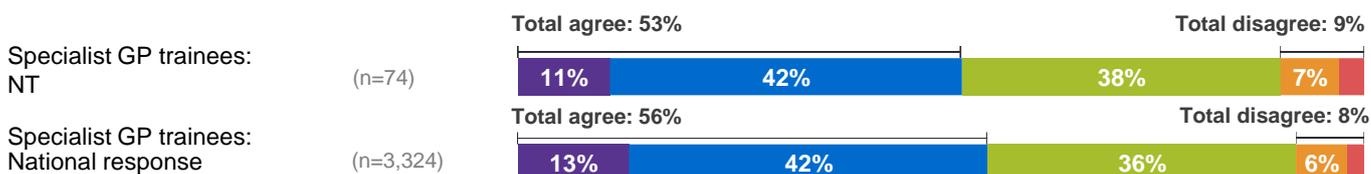
#### I am able to discuss the College training program with other doctors



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



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



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

Base: Specialist GP trainees

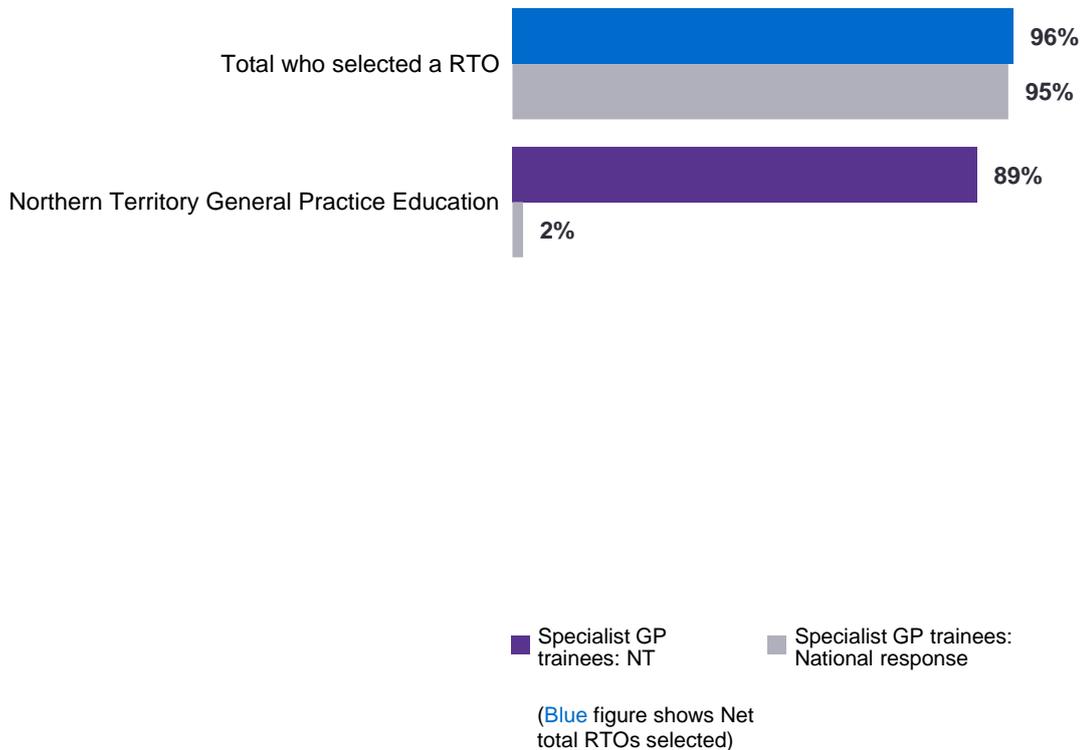
Q25. Thinking about how [COLLEGE] engages with you, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### 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)).

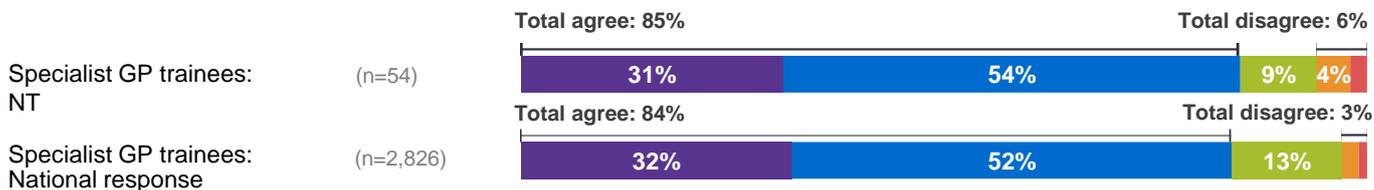
Among the specialist GP trainees enrolled with a RTO and in the NT, 96% selected their RTO and were shown the questions over the next three pages. 89% were enrolled with Northern Territory General Practice Education as shown below.



## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### TRAINING PROGRAM PROVIDED BY RTOs

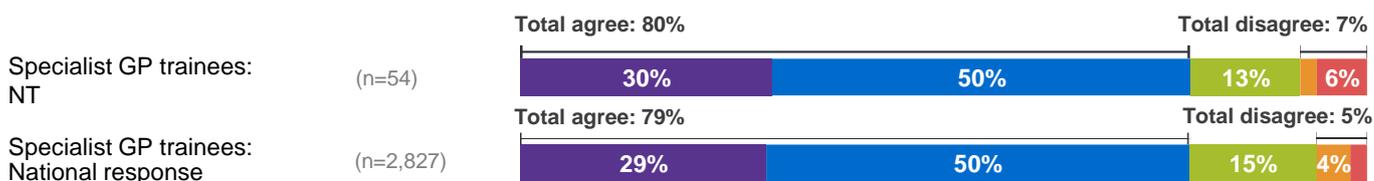
#### The RTO's education program meets the College/s requirements



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



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



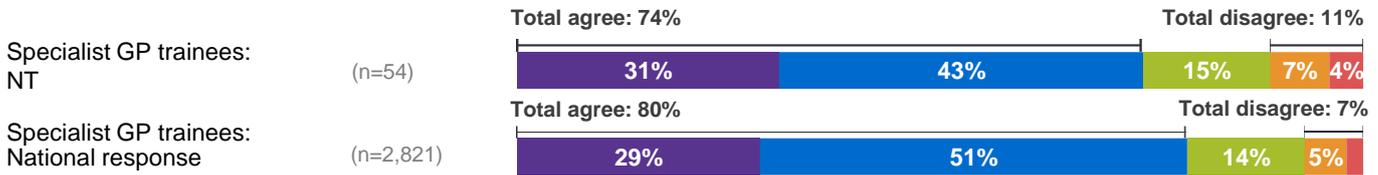
Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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?

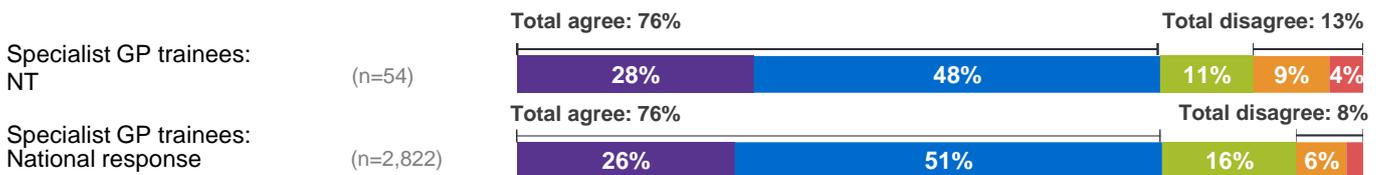
## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### COMMUNICATION WITH RTO

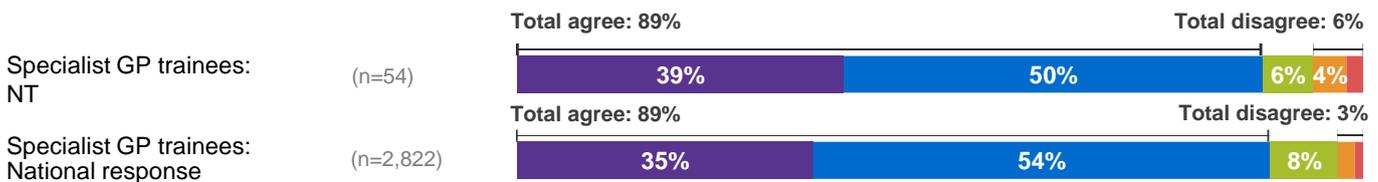
#### The RTO clearly communicates the requirements of my training program



#### 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



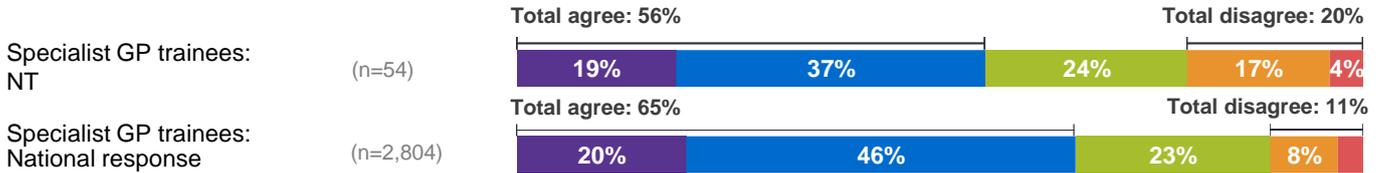
Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

Base: Specialist GP trainees specifying a RTO  
 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?

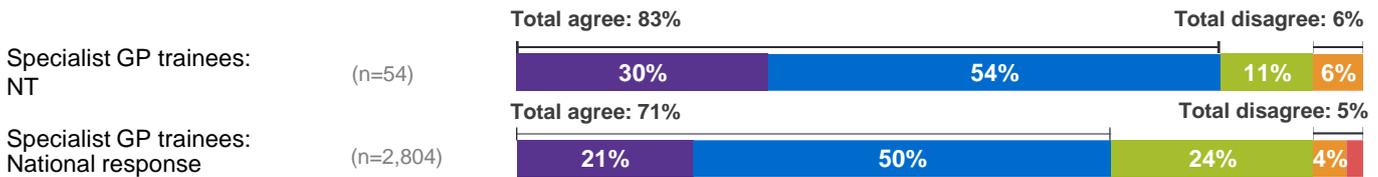
## Training curriculum - Specialist GP trainees

### ENGAGEMENT WITH RTO

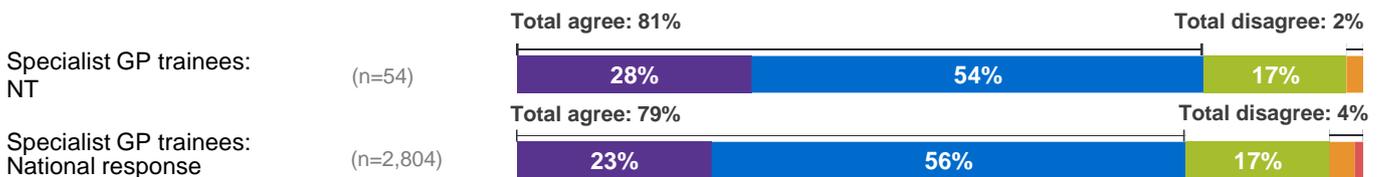
#### The RTO seeks my views on the structure and content of the education program



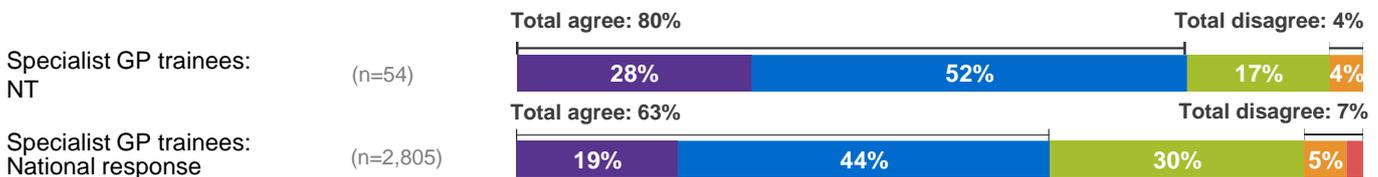
#### I am represented (by doctors in training e.g. registrar liaison officer) on the RTO's training and/or education committees



#### 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



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

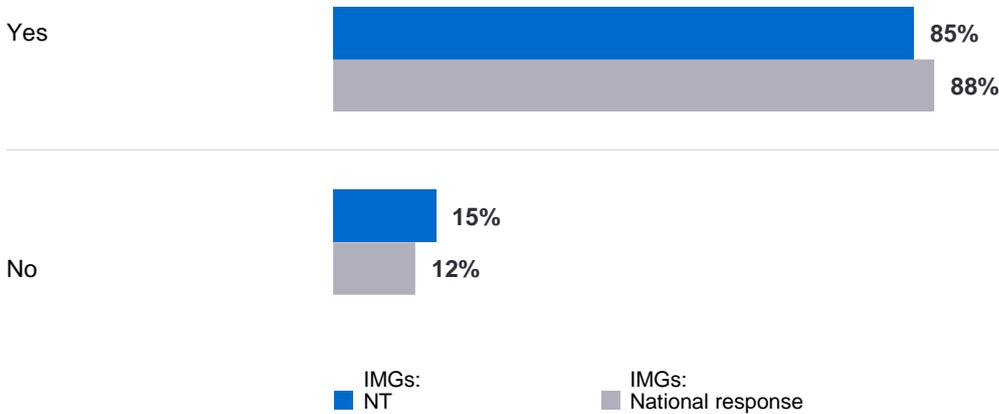
Base: Specialist GP trainees specifying a RTO

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

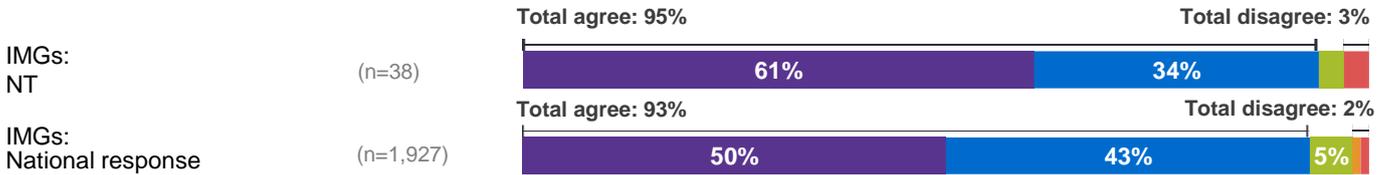
IMGs in the NT (85%) were as likely to have a training/professional development plan compared to the national response for IMGs (88%).



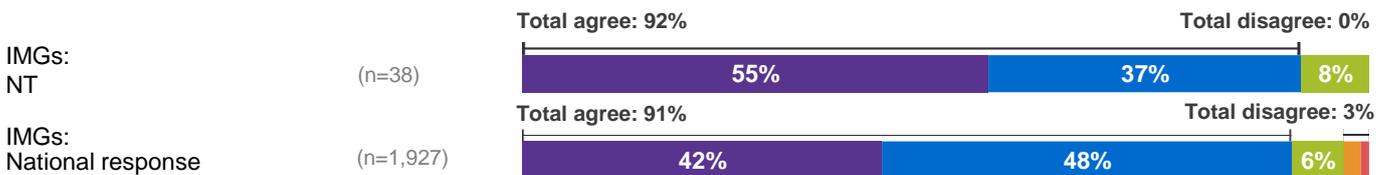
Base: IMGs (National: 2022 n = 2,219; NT: 2022 n = 46)  
 Q12. Do you have a professional development or training plan?

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN

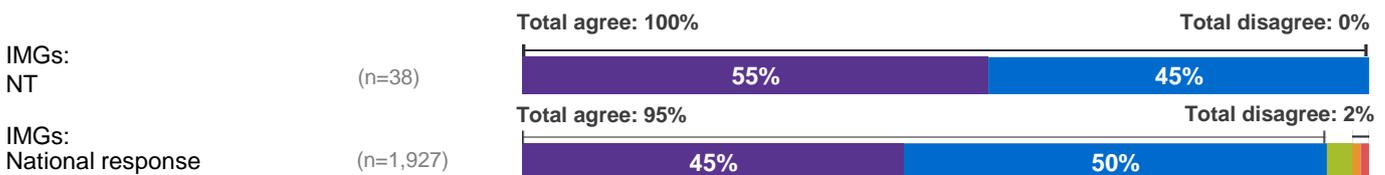
#### My plan is helping me to continue to develop as a doctor



#### 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



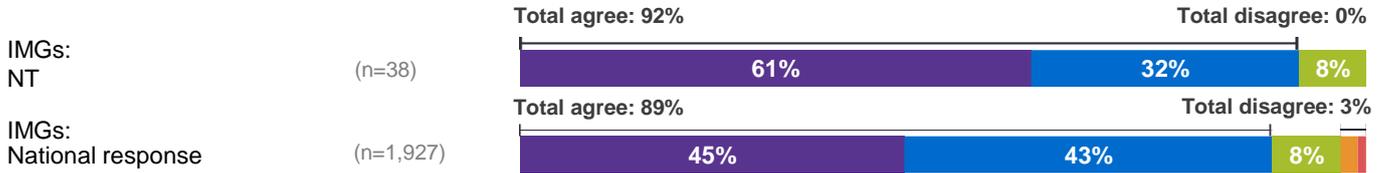
Key: Strongly agree | Agree | Neither agree nor disagree | Disagree | Strongly disagree

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?

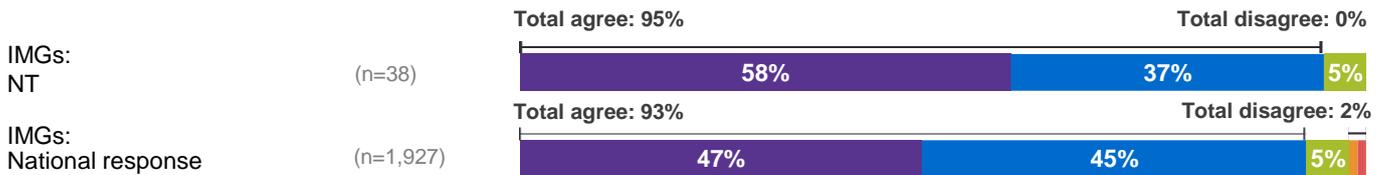
## Training curriculum - International medical graduates (IMGs)

### PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT OR TRAINING PLAN (continued)

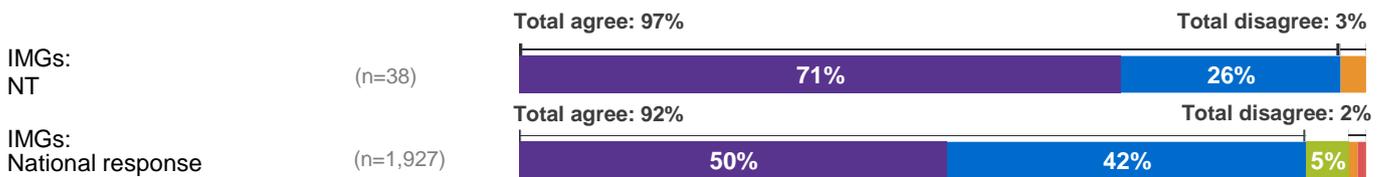
#### My plan is preparing me to be a doctor/specialist in the Australian healthcare system\*



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



#### My plan is advancing my knowledge



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

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

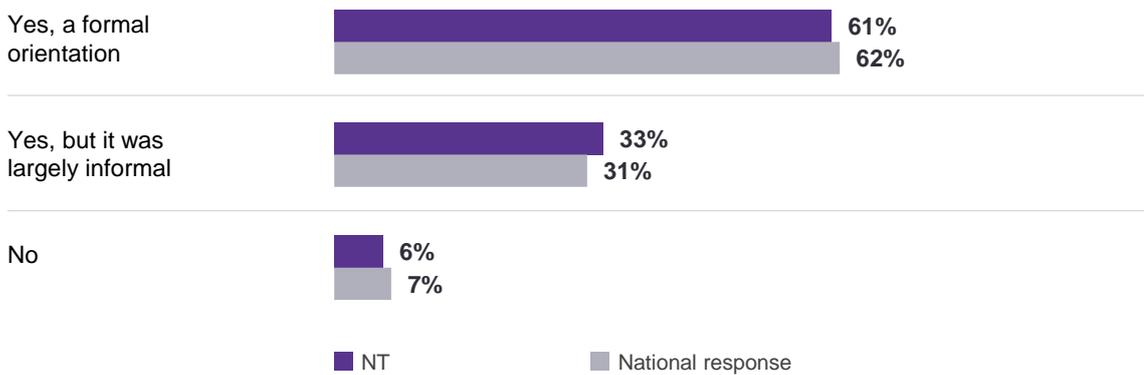
\*Note: This question was only asked of IMGs.

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

## Orientation

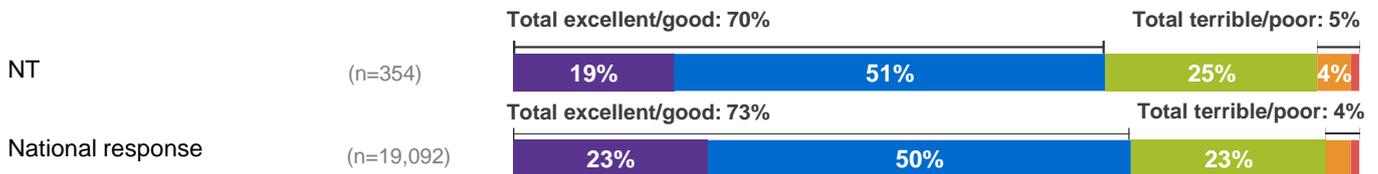
### DID YOU RECEIVE AN ORIENTATION TO YOUR SETTING?

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: 2022 n = 20,439; NT: 2022 n = 379)  
 Q27a. Did you receive an orientation to your setting?

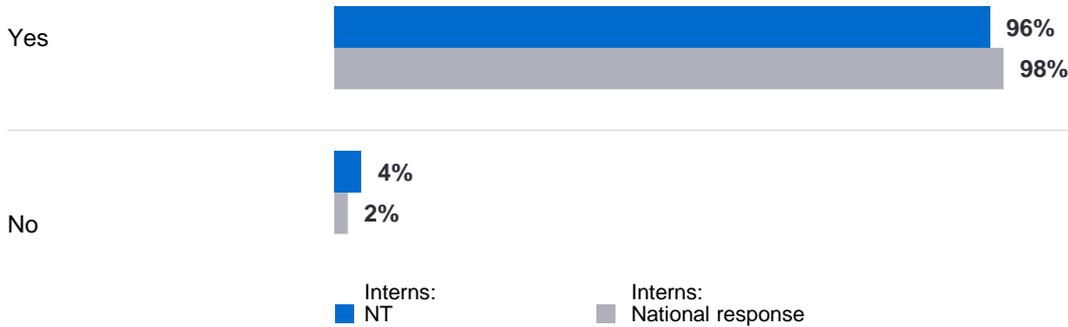
### HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF YOUR ORIENTATION?



Base: Received an orientation  
 Q27b. How would you rate the quality of your orientation?

## Assessment - Interns

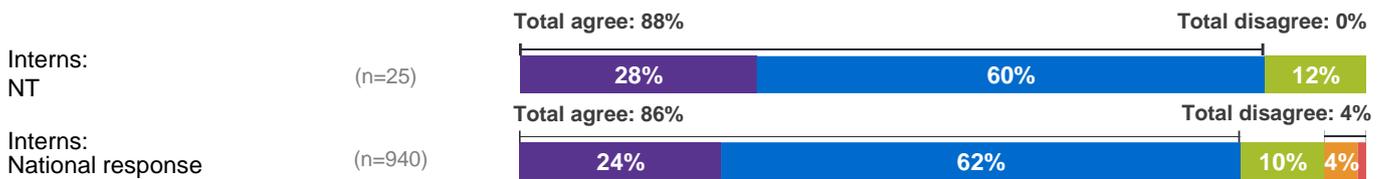
### IN THE LAST TERM THAT YOU COMPLETED, DID YOU RECEIVE AN END OF TERM ASSESSMENT?



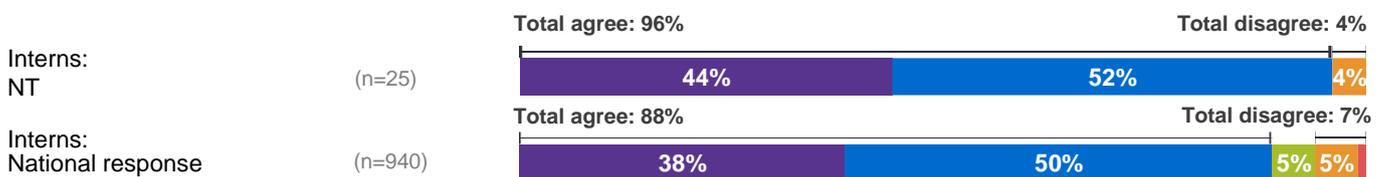
Base: Interns (National: 2022 n = 969; NT: 2022 n = 26)  
 Q26a. Did you receive an assessment for your previous rotation?

### ASSESSMENT ADMINISTRATION FROM PREVIOUS ROTATION...

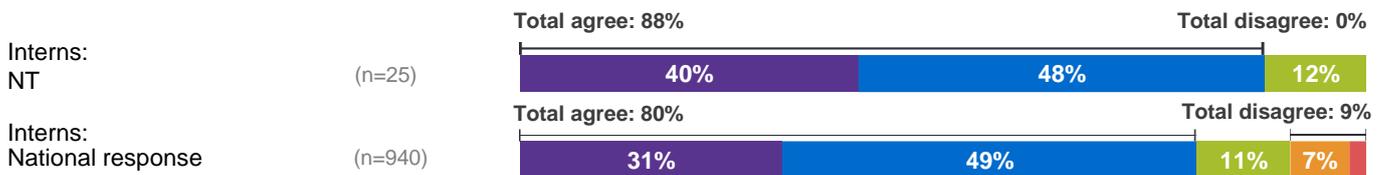
#### Was relevant to my training



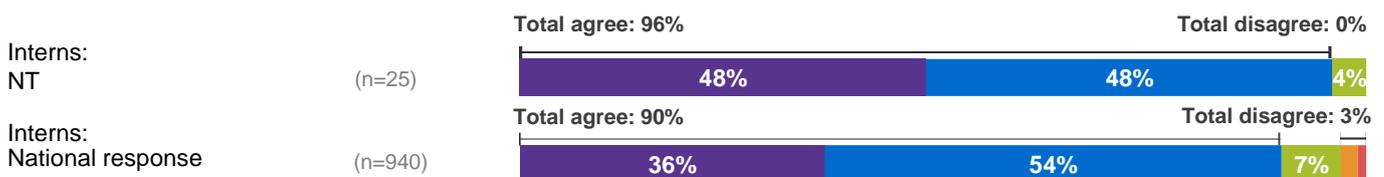
#### Included an opportunity to discuss feedback with my supervisor



#### Provided me with useful feedback about my progress as an intern



#### Was conducted fairly

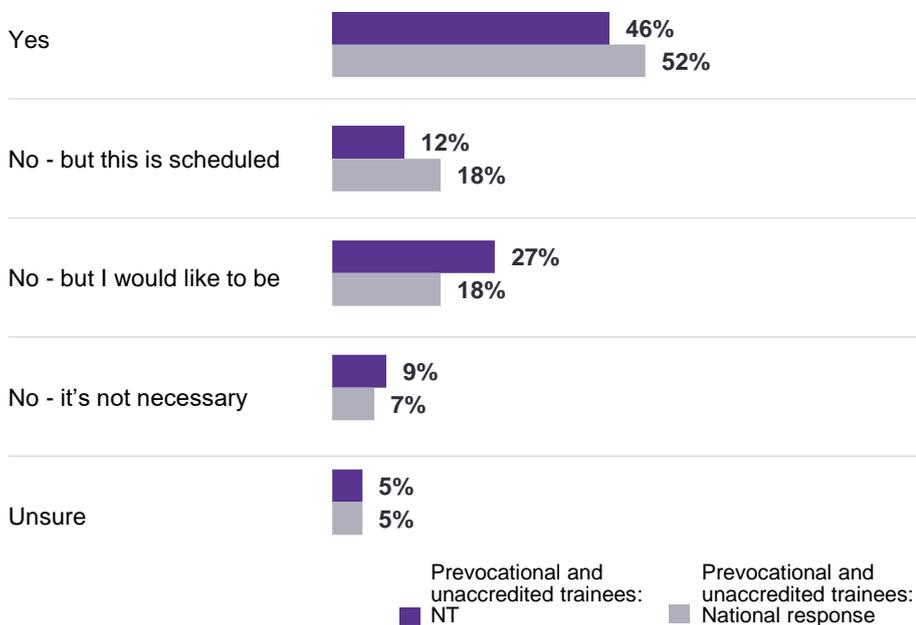


Key: Strongly agree, Agree, Neither agree nor disagree, Disagree, Strongly disagree

Base: Had an assessment  
 Q26b. To what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements? 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: 2022 n = 5,238; NT: 2022 n = 95)  
 Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

## Assessment - Specialist non-GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS

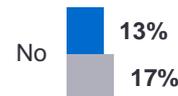
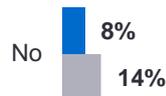
**NT specialist non-GP trainees who have sat an exam(s) in the last 12 months...**



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



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



■ Specialist non-GP trainees: NT  
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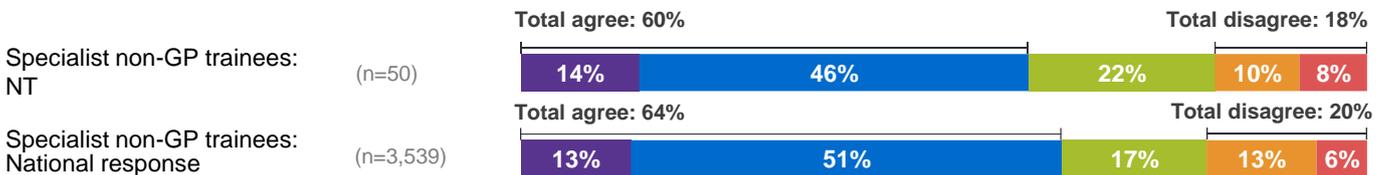
■ Specialist non-GP trainees: NT  
 ■ Specialist non-GP trainees: National response

Base: Specialist non-GP trainees (National: 2022 n = 8,596; NT: 2022 n = 138)  
 Q23a. In the last 12 months, have you sat one or more exams from...?

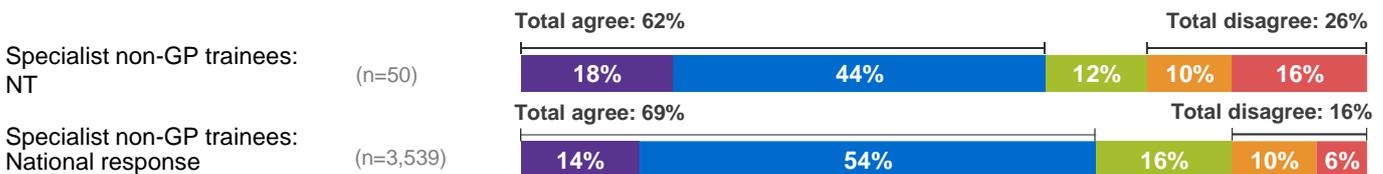
Base: Sat an exam (National: 2022 n = 3,585; NT: 2022 n = 50)  
 Q23b. Have you received the results of your most recent exam from...?

Base: Received results (National: 2022 n = 2,897; NT: 2022 n = 45)  
 Q23c. Did you pass the exam for...?

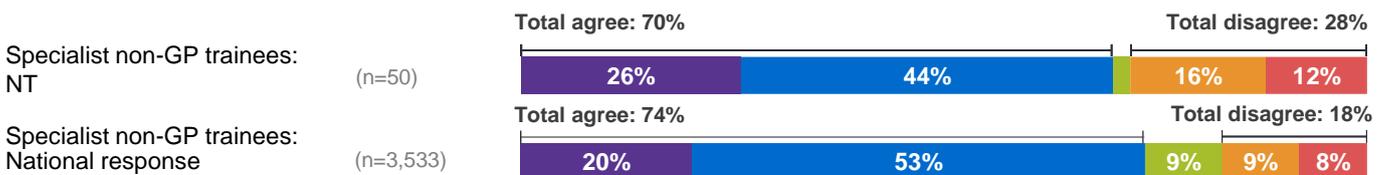
### The exam(s) reflected the college training curriculum



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



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



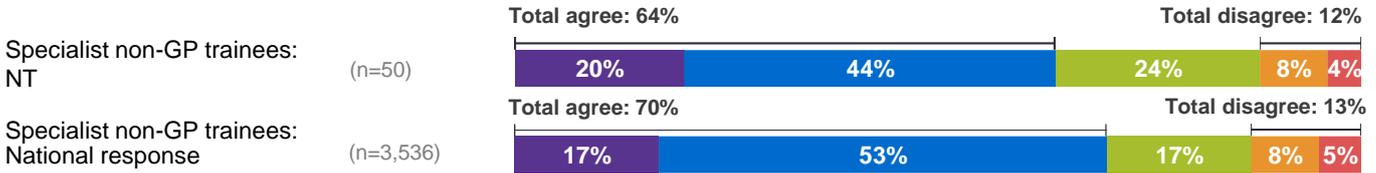
Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

Base: Specialist non-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 non-GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS (continued)

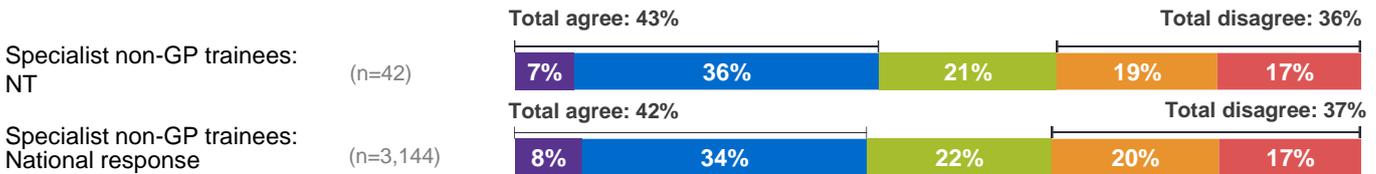
#### The exam(s) were conducted fairly



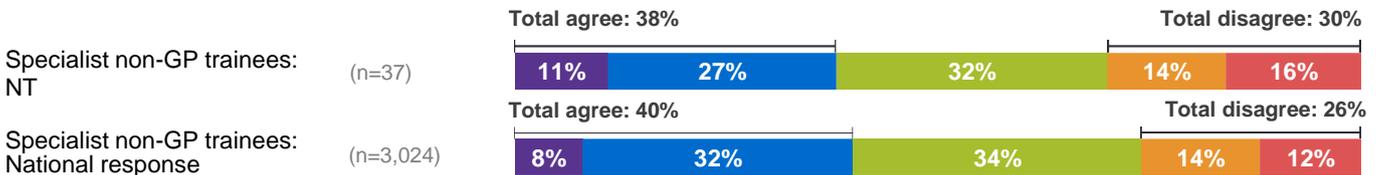
#### I received useful feedback about my performance in the exam(s)



#### The feedback is timely



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



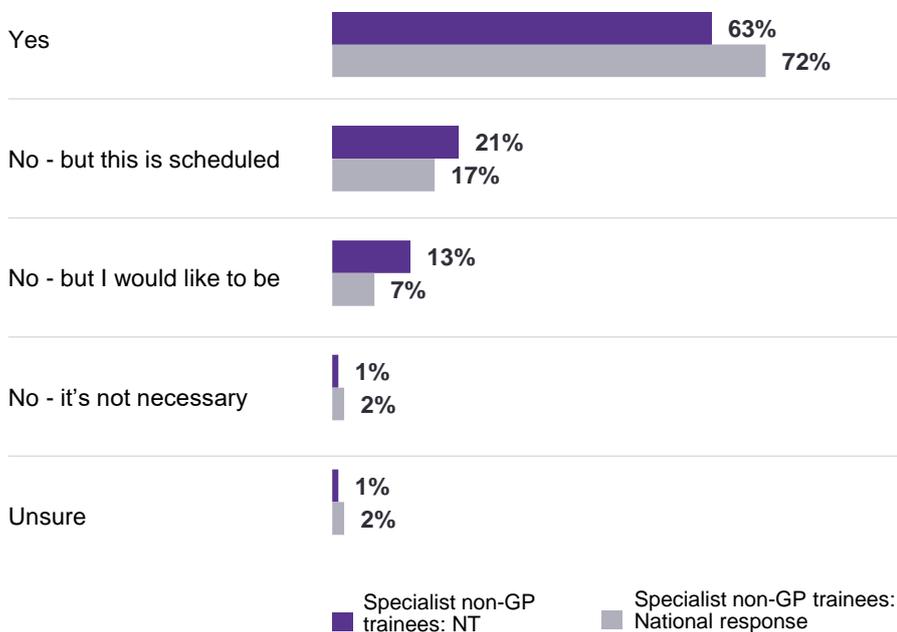
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Base: Specialist non-GP trainees who sat an exam

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 non-GP trainees

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

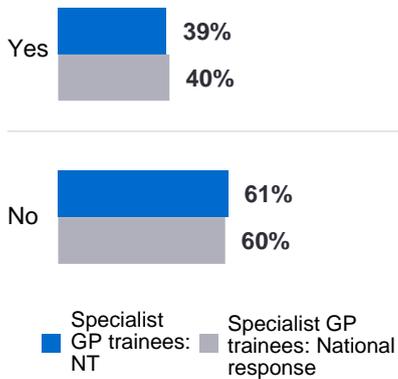


Base: Specialist non-GP trainees (National: 2022 n = 8,290; NT: 2022 n = 136)  
 Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

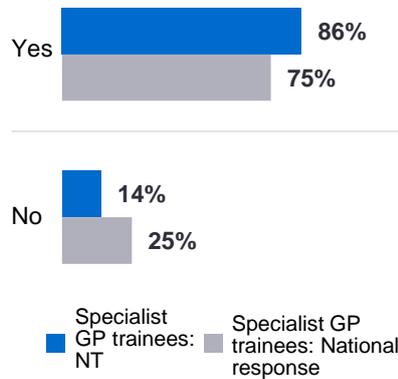
## Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS

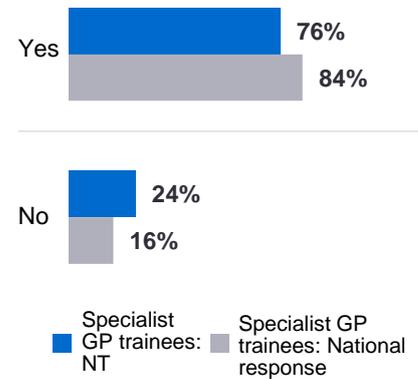
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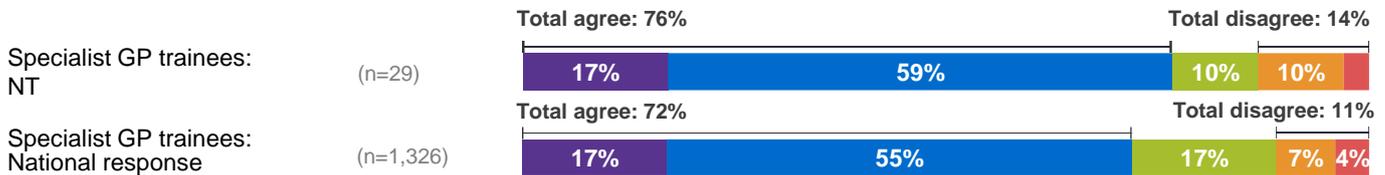


Base: Specialist GP trainees (National: 2022 n = 3,360; NT: 2022 n = 74)  
 Q23a. In the last 12 months, have you sat one or more exams from...?

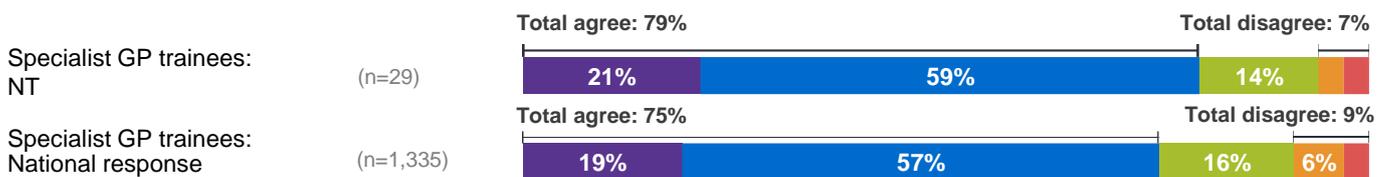
Base: Sat an exam (National: 2022 n = 1,352; NT: 2022 n = 29)  
 Q23b. Have you received the results of your most recent exam from...?

Base: Received results (National: 2022 n = 919; NT: 2022 n = 25)  
 Q23c. Did you pass the exam for...?

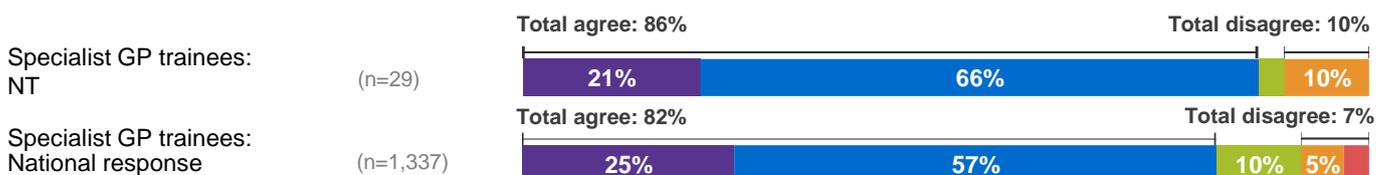
### The exam(s) reflected the college training curriculum



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



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



**Key:** Strongly agree (purple), Agree (blue), Neither agree nor disagree (green), Disagree (orange), Strongly disagree (red)

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?

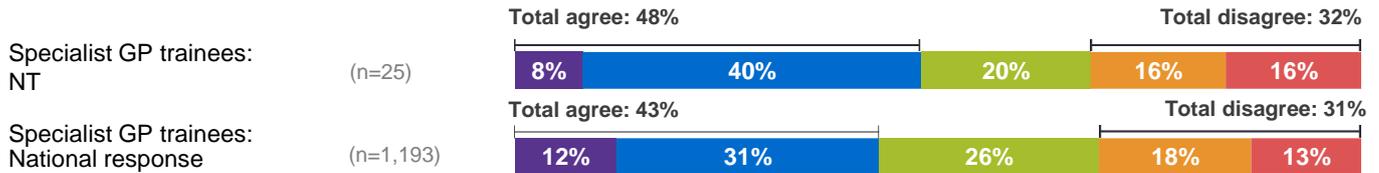
## Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

### COLLEGE EXAMS (continued)

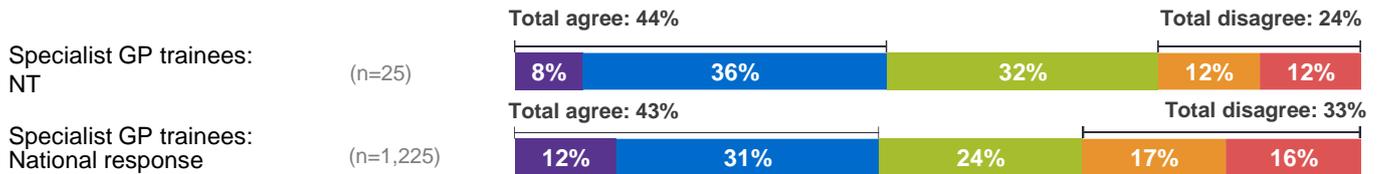
#### The exam(s) were conducted fairly



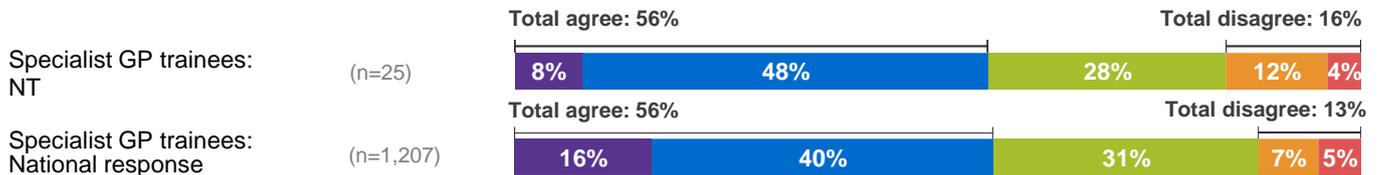
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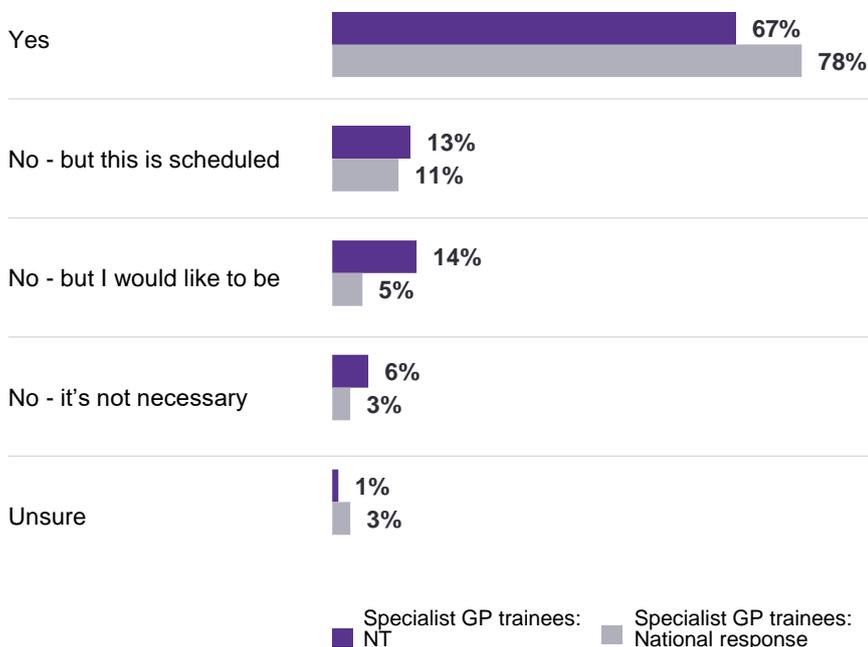


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## Assessment - Specialist GP trainees

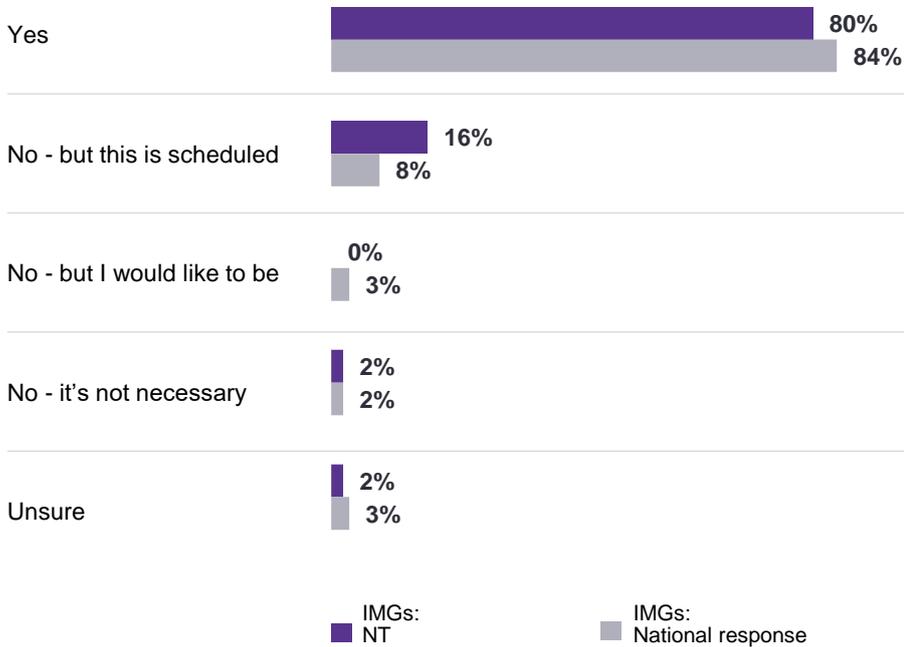
### HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?



Base: Specialist GP trainees (National: 2022 n = 3,257; NT: 2022 n = 72)  
 Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

## Assessment - International medical graduates (IMGs)

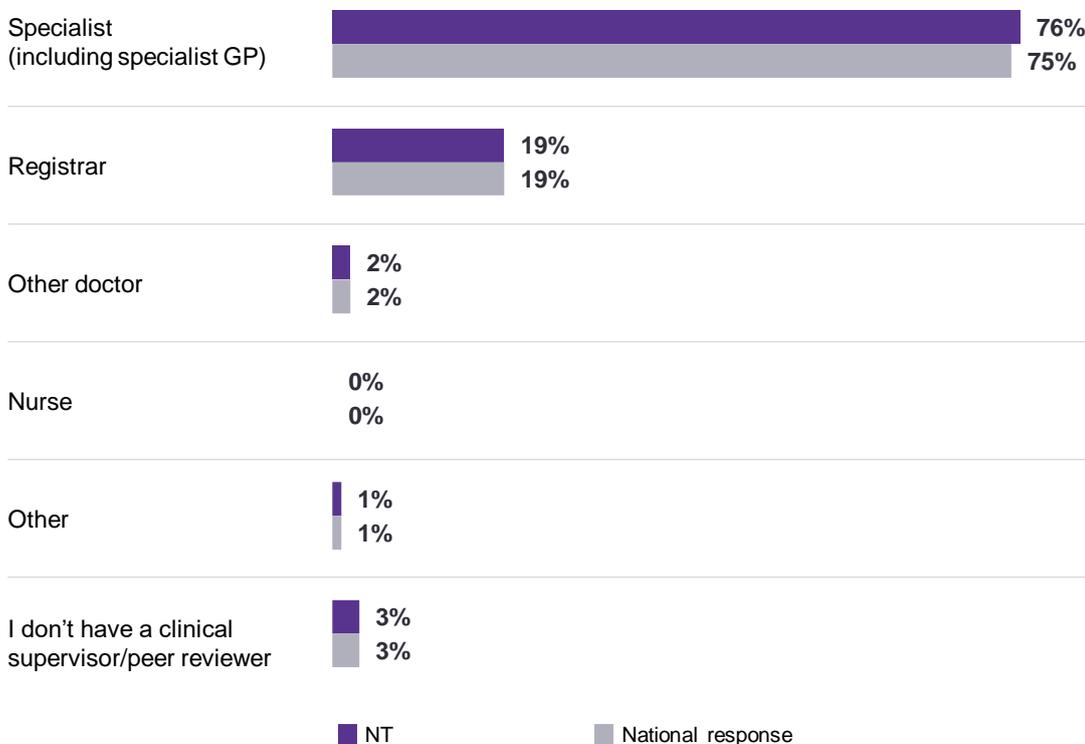
### HAS YOUR PERFORMANCE BEEN ASSESSED IN YOUR SETTING?



Base: IMGs (National: 2022 n = 2,896; NT: 2022 n = 44)  
 Q32. Has your performance been assessed in your setting?

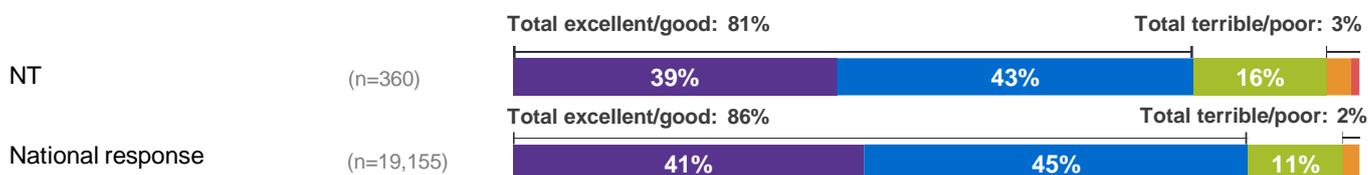
## Clinical supervision

### WHO MAINLY PROVIDES YOUR CLINICAL SUPERVISION?



Base: Total sample (National: 2022 n = 20,195; NT: 2022 n = 375)  
 Q28. In your setting, who mainly provides your clinical supervision?

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



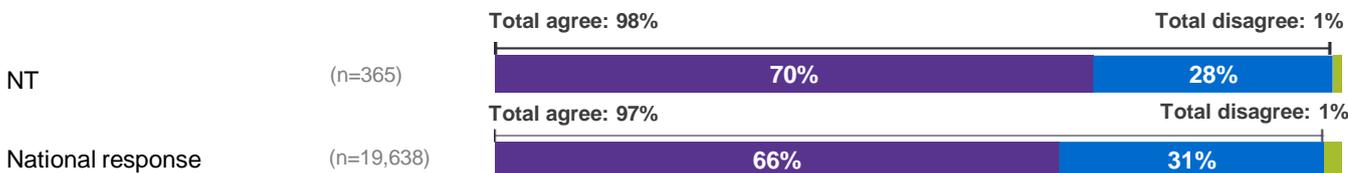
Key: ■ Excellent      ■ Good      ■ Average      ■ Poor      ■ Terrible

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

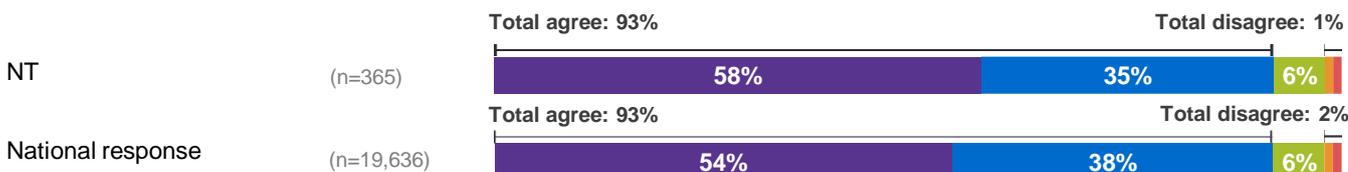
## Clinical supervision

### 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



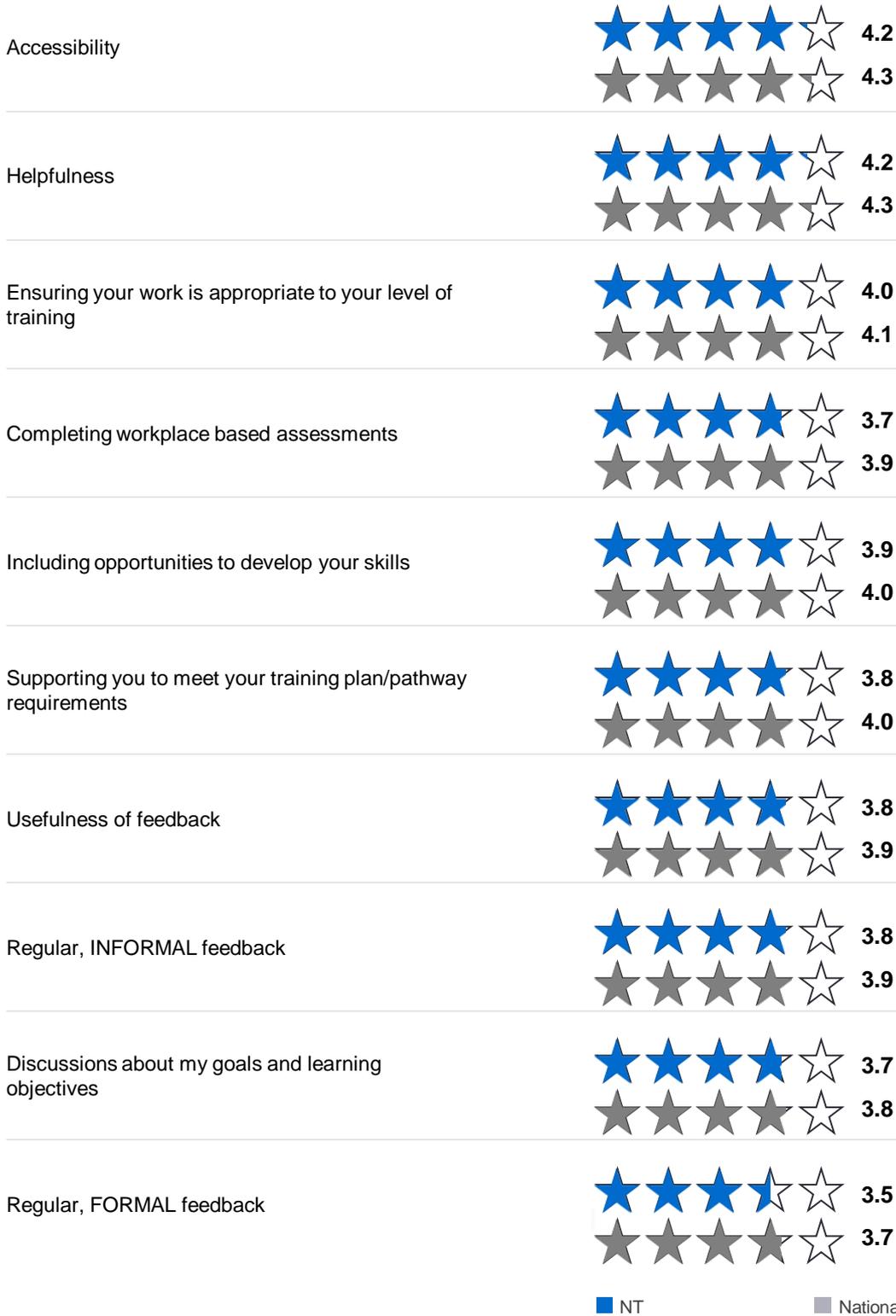
Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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:

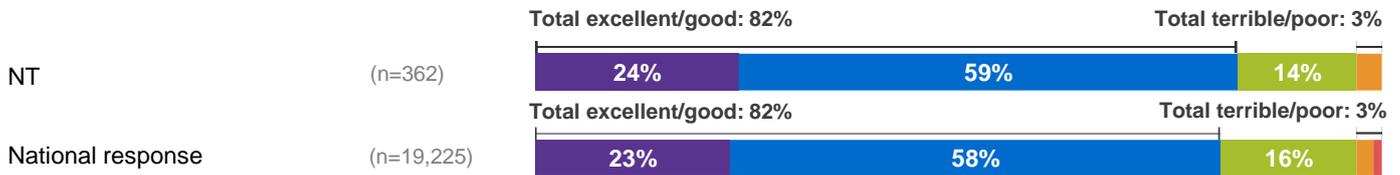
Average out of 5  
 (1=very poor - 5=very good)



Base: Have a supervisor (National: 2022 max n = 18,980; NT: 2022 max n = 357)  
 Q30. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your overall clinical supervision for...?

## Access to teaching

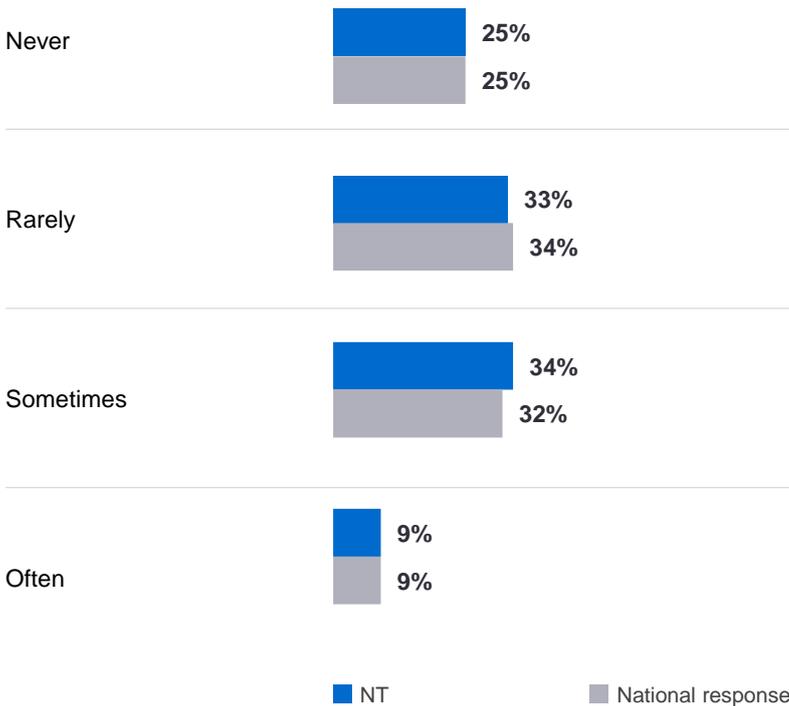
### OVERALL, HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE QUALITY OF THE TEACHING SESSIONS?



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

### TRAINING AND OTHER JOB RESPONSIBILITIES

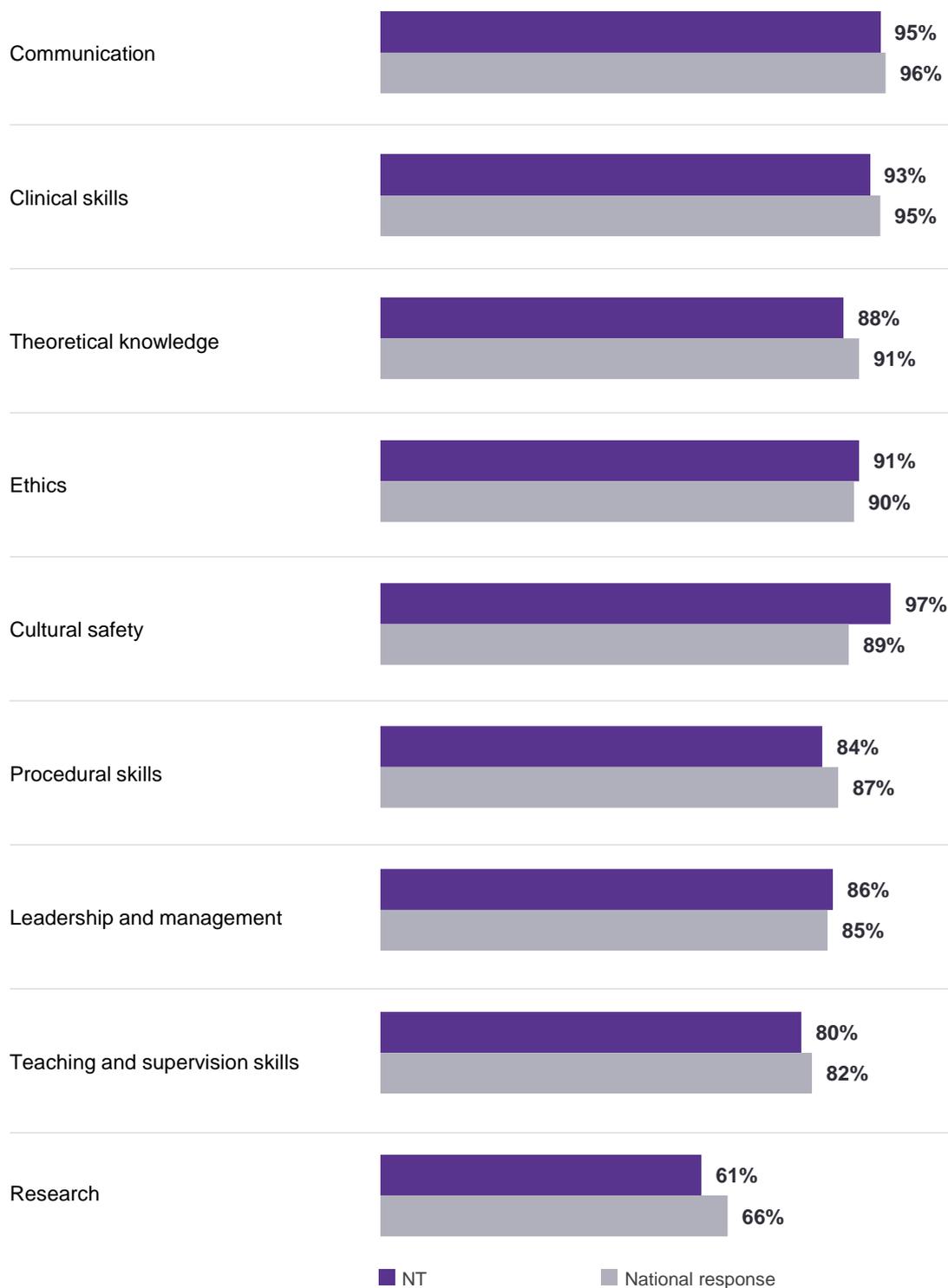
#### How regularly job responsibilities are preventing doctors in training from meeting training requirements



Base: Total sample (National: 2022 n = 19,446; NT: 2022 n = 369)  
 Q36. Which of the following statements best describes the interaction between your training requirements and the responsibilities of your job? My job responsibilities...

## Access to teaching

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



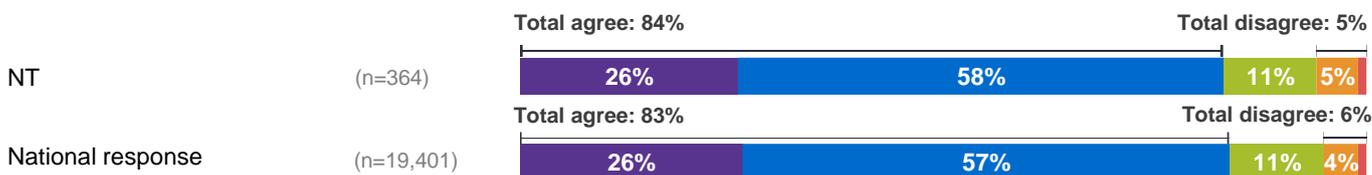
Base: Total sample (National: 2022 max n = 19,449 NT: 2022 max n = 366)

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

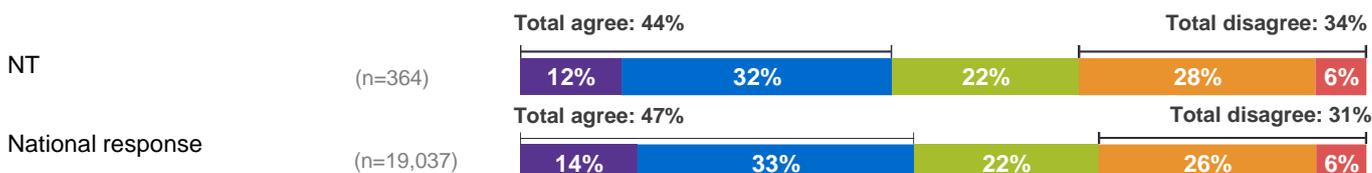
## Access to teaching

### DEVELOPMENT OF CLINICAL AND PRACTICAL SKILLS

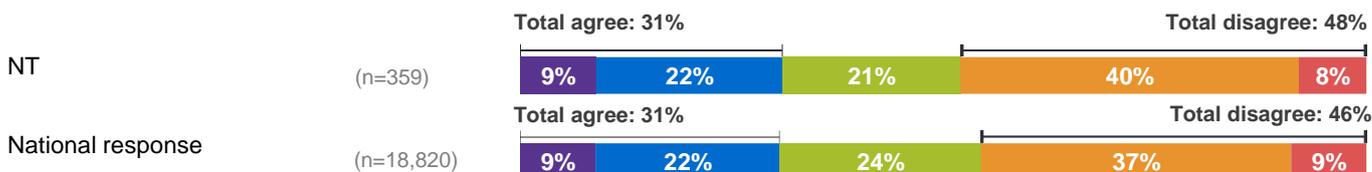
#### I can access the training opportunities available to me



#### I have to compete with other doctors for access to opportunities



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



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

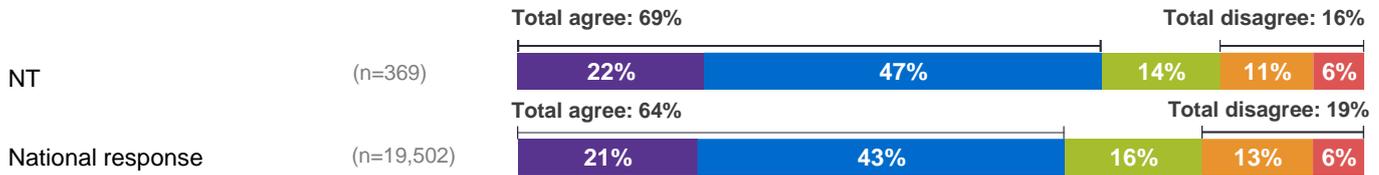
Base: Total sample

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

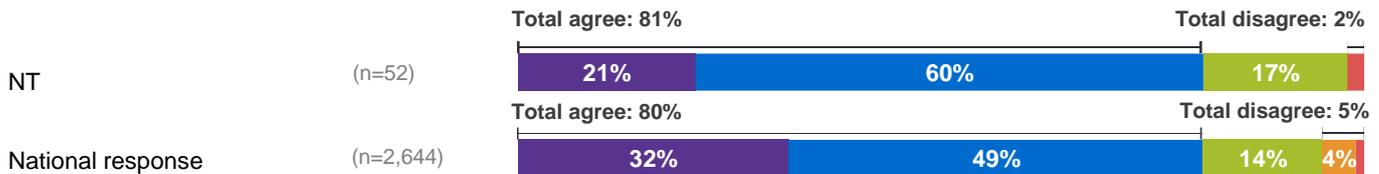
## Access to teaching

### ACCESS TO TEACHING AND RESEARCH

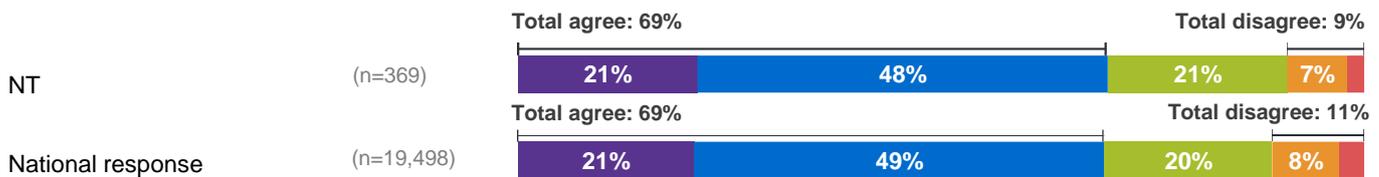
#### I have access to protected study time/leave



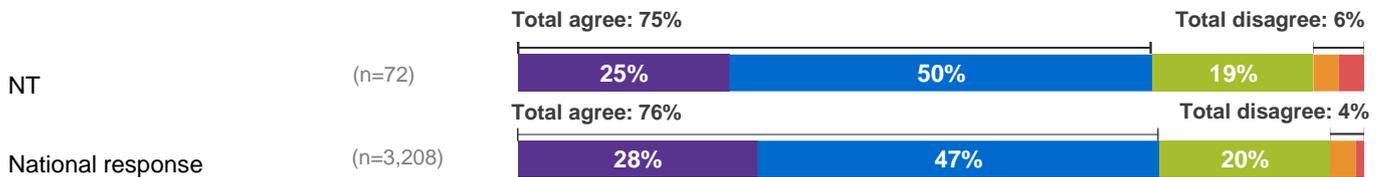
#### I am able to attend RTO education events<sup>^</sup>



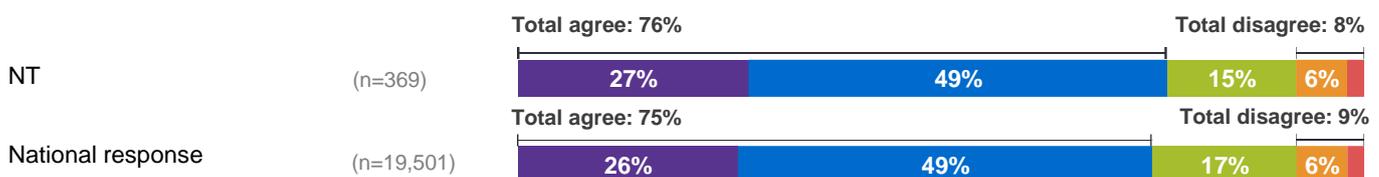
#### I am able to attend conferences, courses and/or external education events



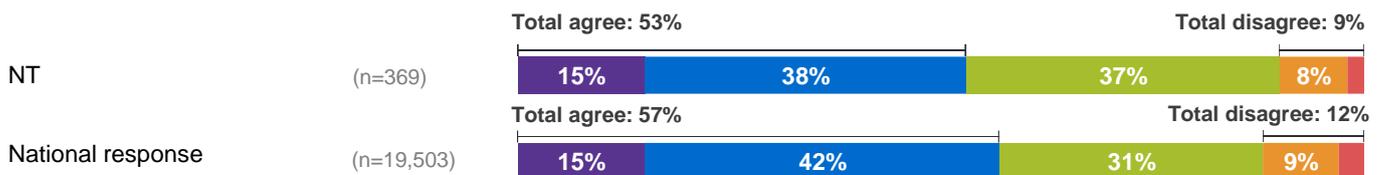
#### My GP supervisor supports me to attend formal and informal teaching sessions<sup>^</sup>



#### 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

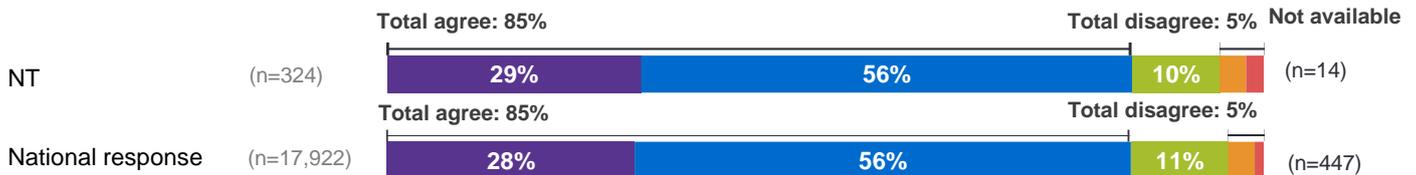
<sup>^</sup>Note: These questions were only asked of Specialist GP trainees, as such, data is filtered to Specialist GP trainees

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

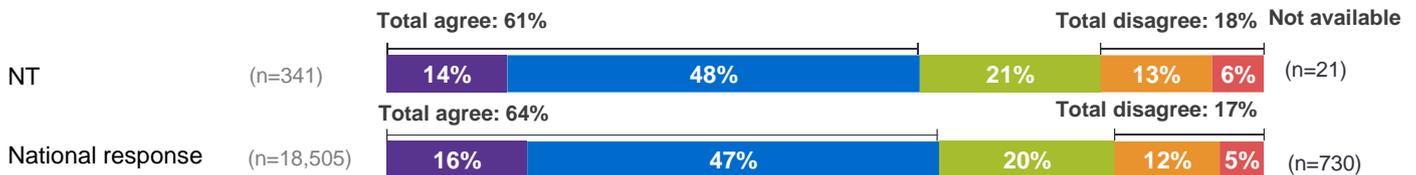
## Access to teaching

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

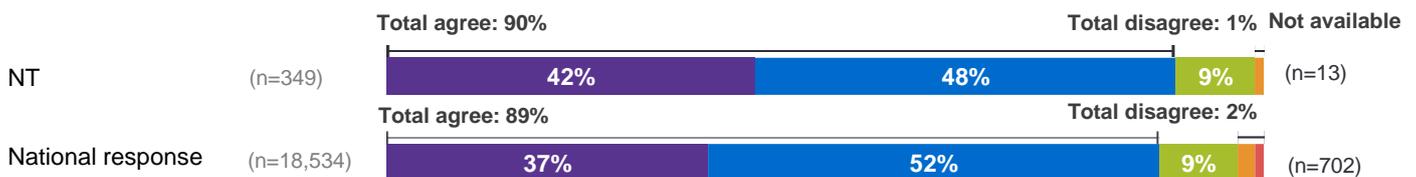
### Formal education program<sup>^</sup>



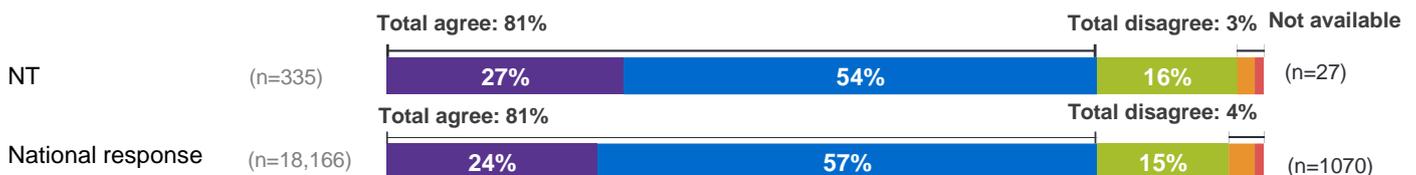
### Online modules (formal and/or informal)



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



### Team or unit based activities



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Base: Total sample excluding not available (shown separately)

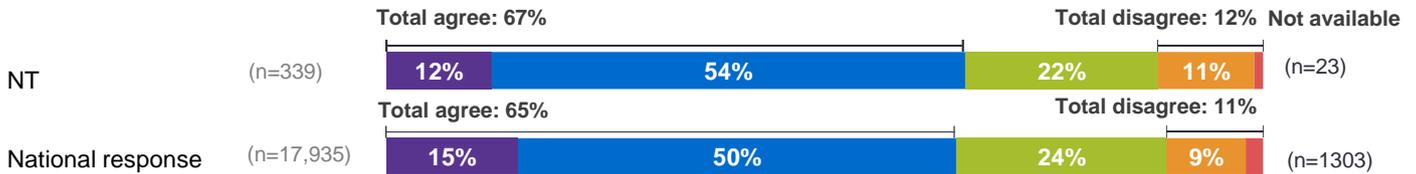
<sup>^</sup>Note: This question was not shown to Interns.

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

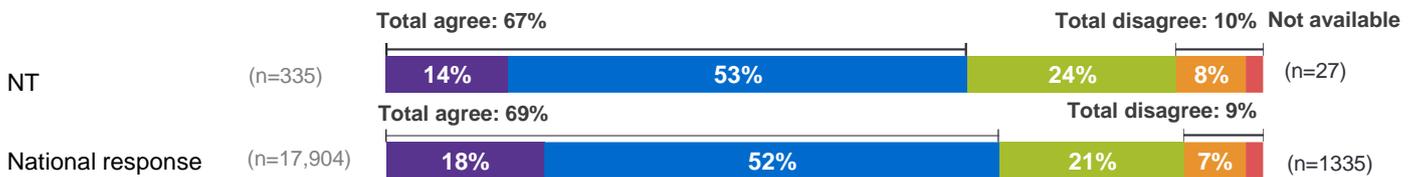
## Access to teaching

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

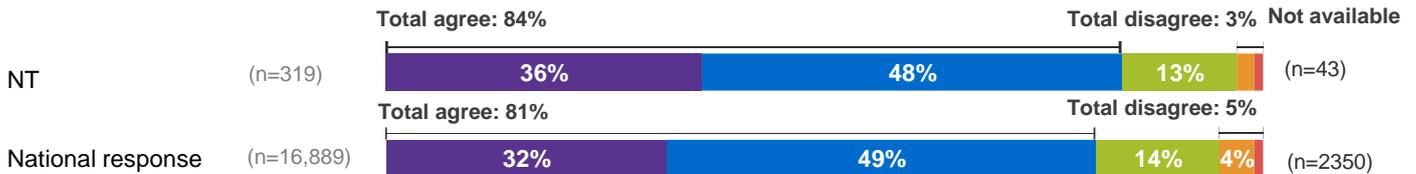
### Medical/surgical and/or hospital-wide meetings



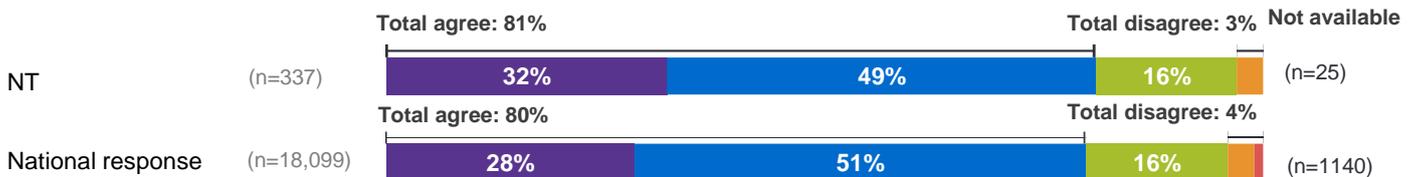
### Multidisciplinary meetings



### Simulation teaching



### Access to mentoring



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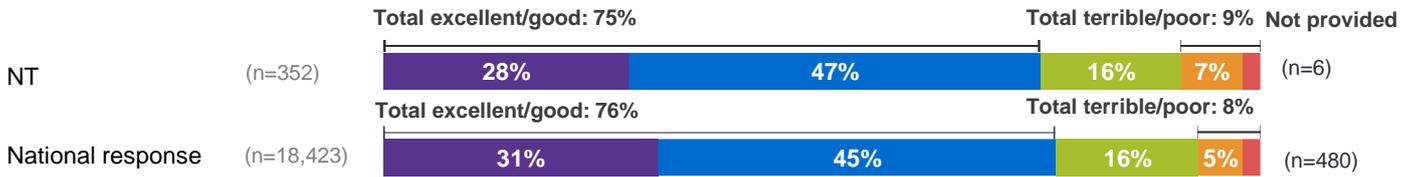
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Q38. To what extent do you agree or disagree that the following educational activities have been useful in your development as a doctor?

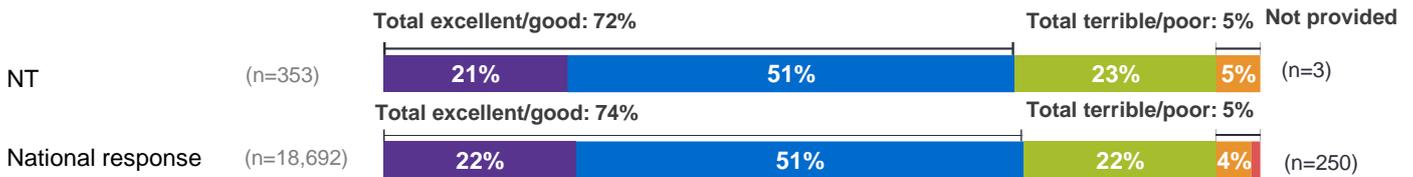
## Facilities

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

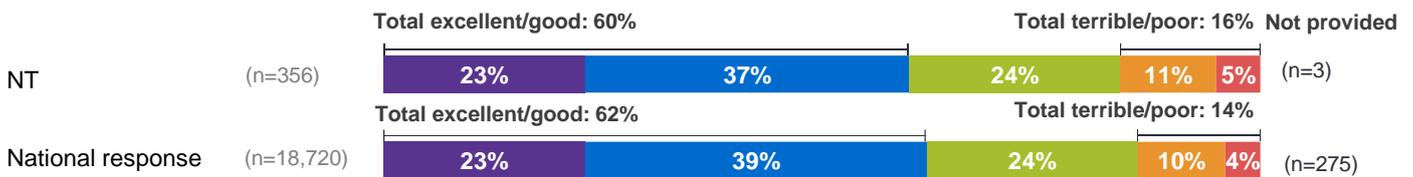
#### Reliable internet for training purposes



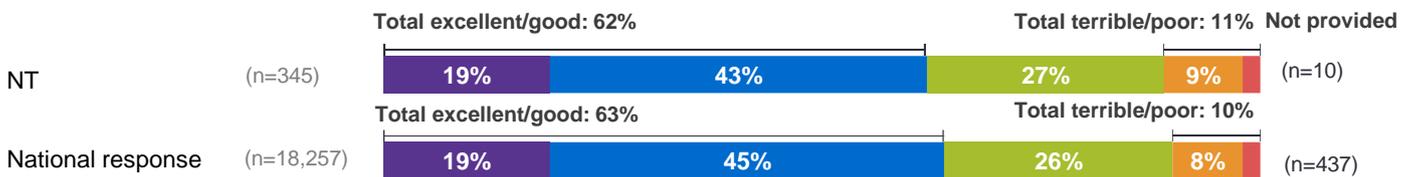
#### Educational resources



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



#### Teaching spaces



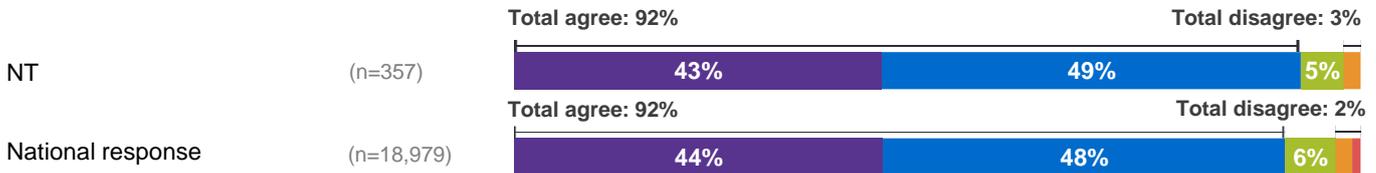
Key: ■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Average ■ Poor ■ Terrible

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

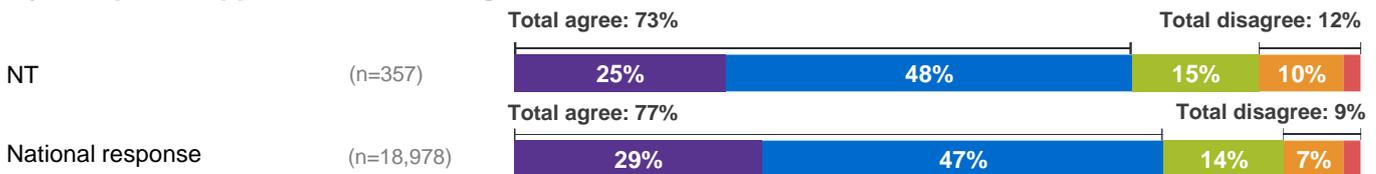
## Workplace environment and culture

### CULTURE WITHIN THE TRAINEE'S SETTING

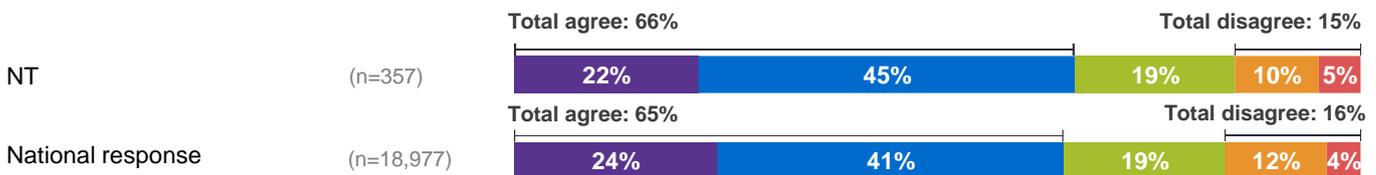
#### Most senior medical staff are supportive



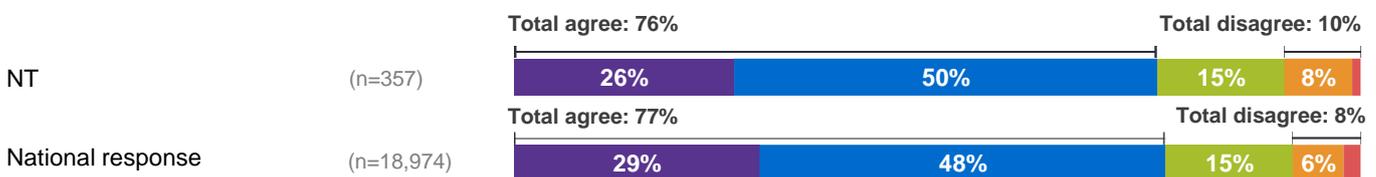
#### My workplace supports staff wellbeing



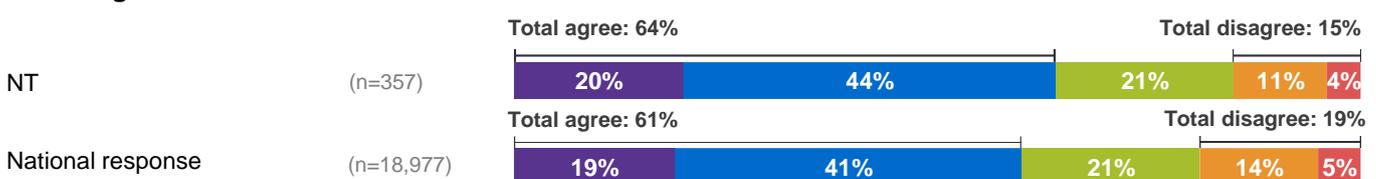
#### In practice, my workplace supports me to achieve a good work/life balance



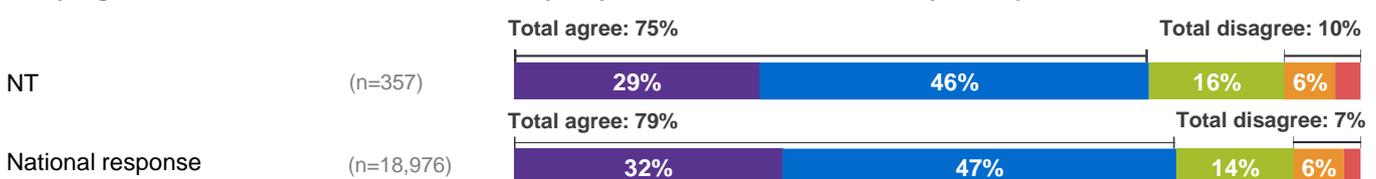
#### There is a positive culture at my workplace



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



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



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

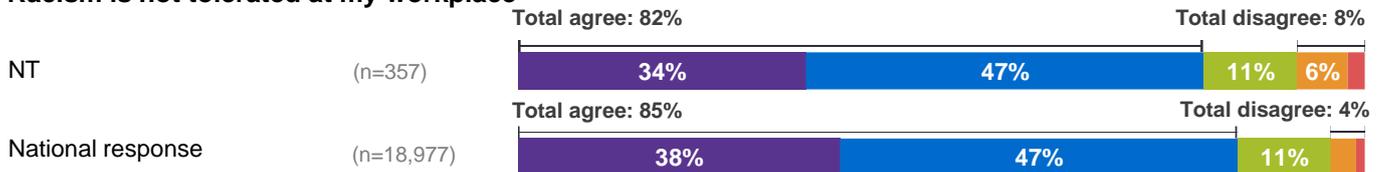
Base: Total sample

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

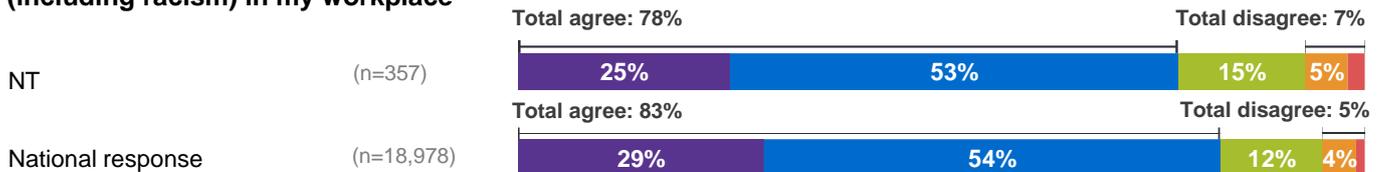
## Workplace environment and culture

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

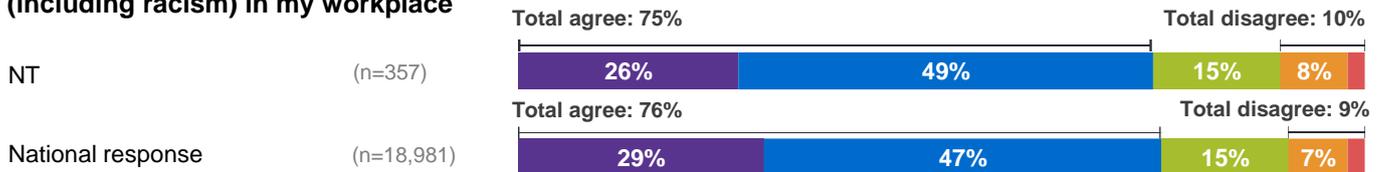
#### Racism is not tolerated at my workplace



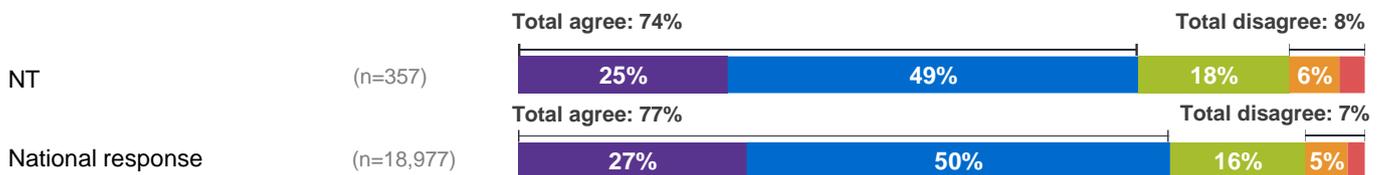
#### I know how to raise concerns/issues about bullying, harassment and discrimination (including racism) in my workplace



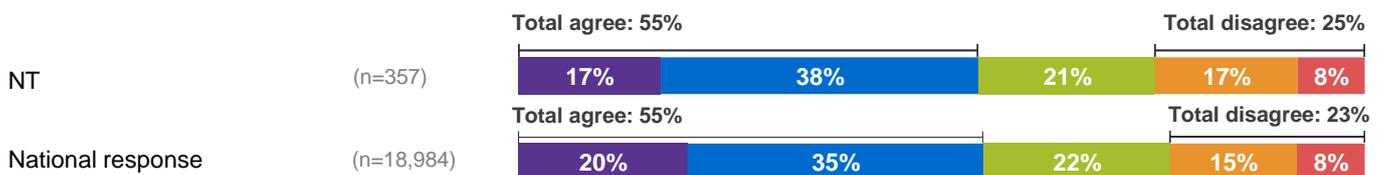
#### I am confident that I would raise concerns/issues about bullying, harassment and discrimination (including racism) in my workplace



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



#### I have access to flexible working arrangements



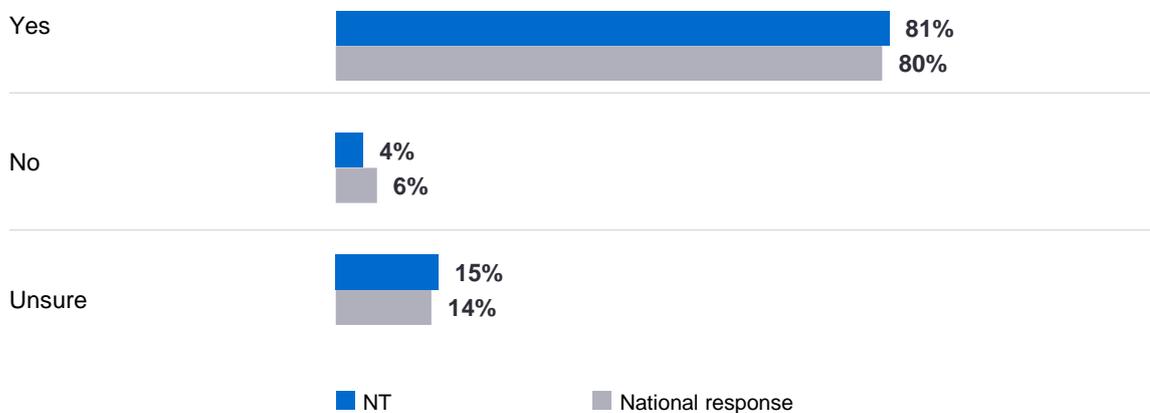
Key: ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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

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

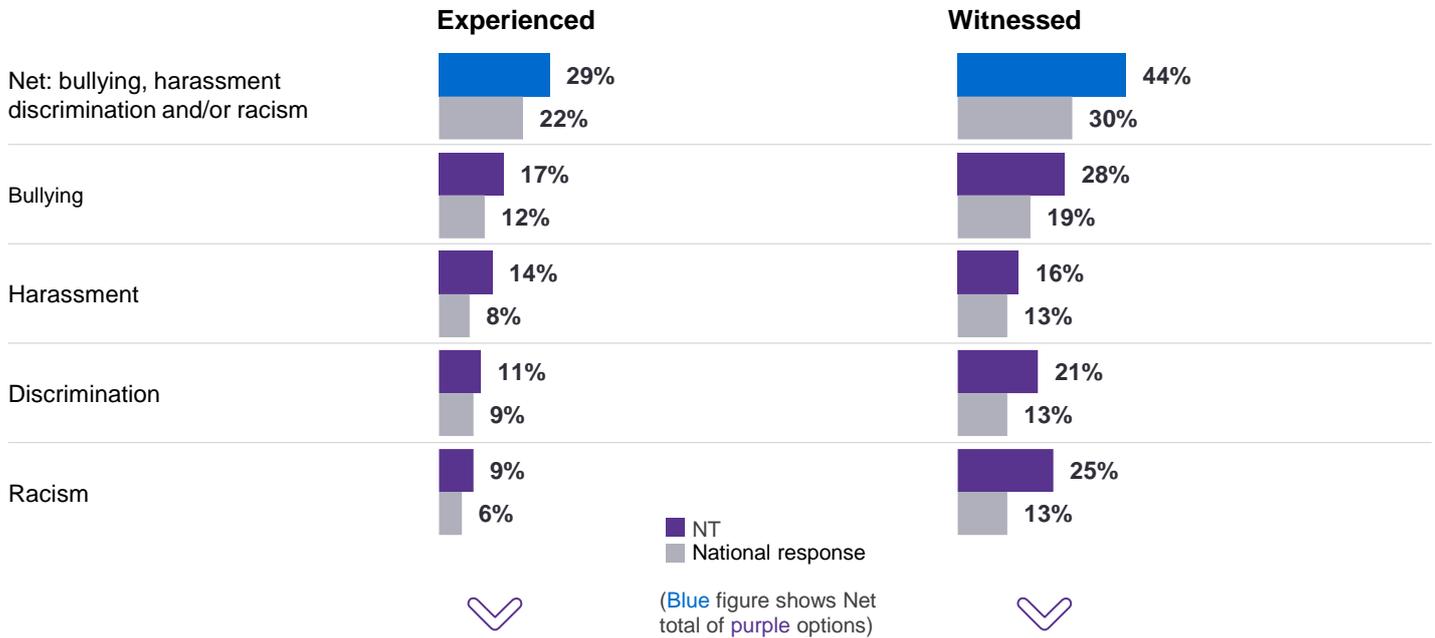


Base: Total sample (National: 2022 n =18,688; NT: 2022 n = 352)

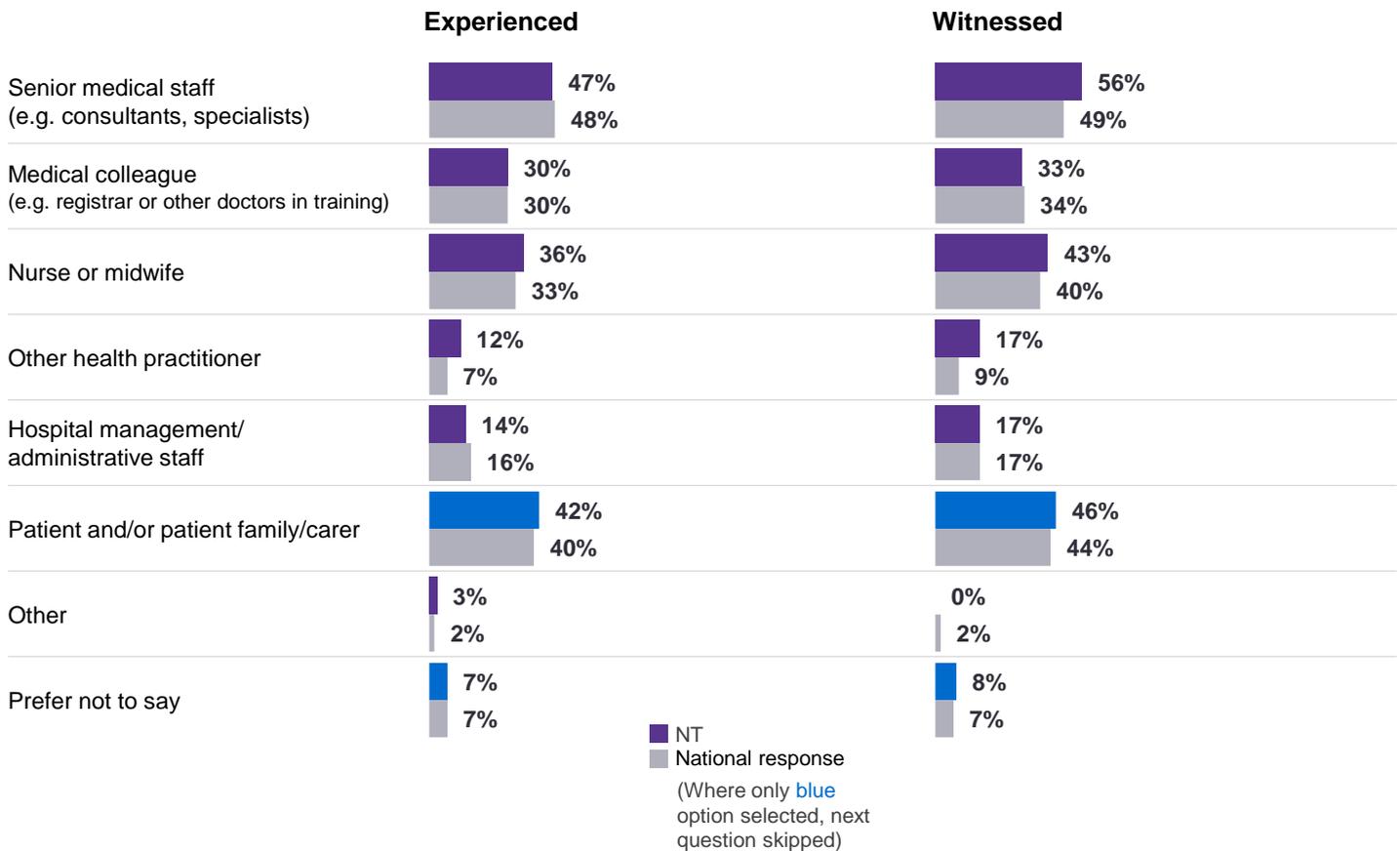
Q43. If you needed support, do you know how to access support for your health (including for stress and other psychological distress)?

## Workplace environment and culture

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



### WHO WAS RESPONSIBLE...

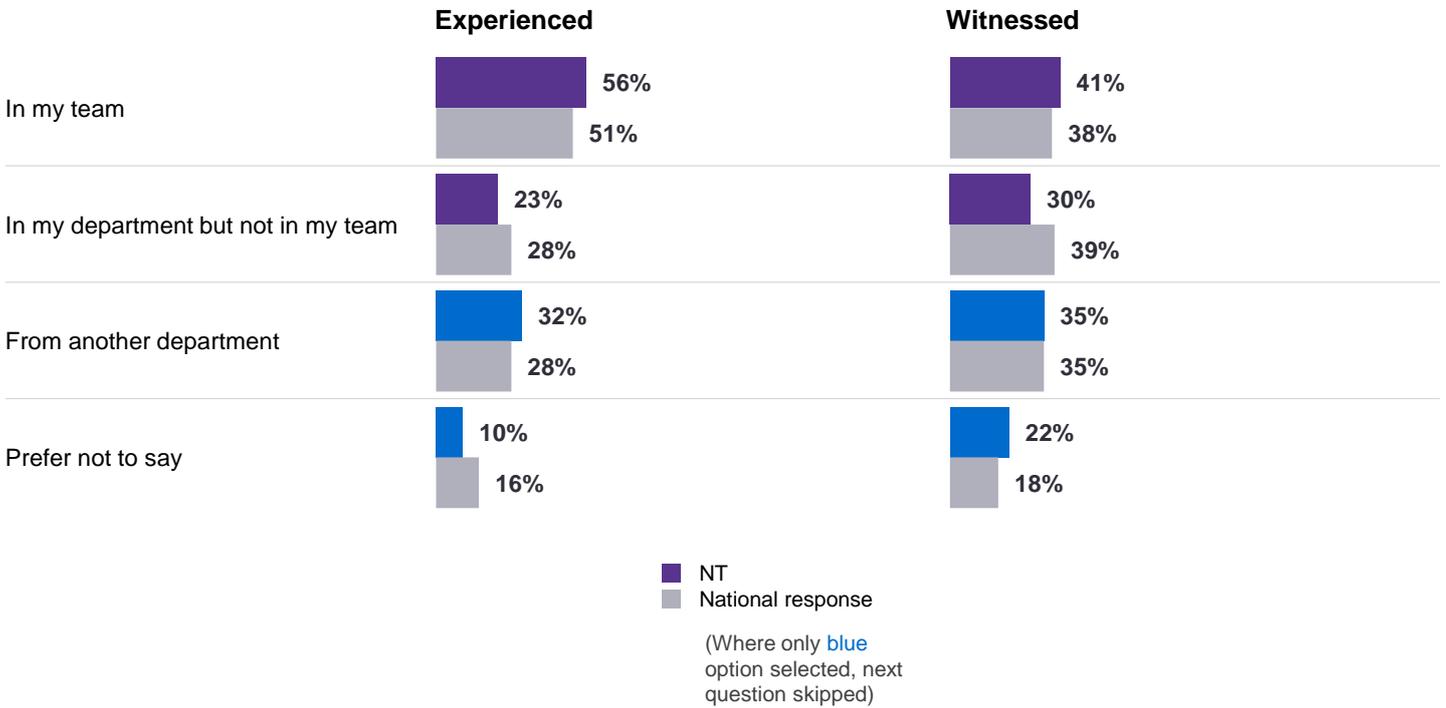


Base: Total sample - Experienced (National: 2022 n = 16,823; NT: 2022 n = 311) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 17,475; NT: 2022 n = 328)  
 Q42a. Thinking about your workplace, have you experienced and/or witnessed any of the following in the past 12 months?

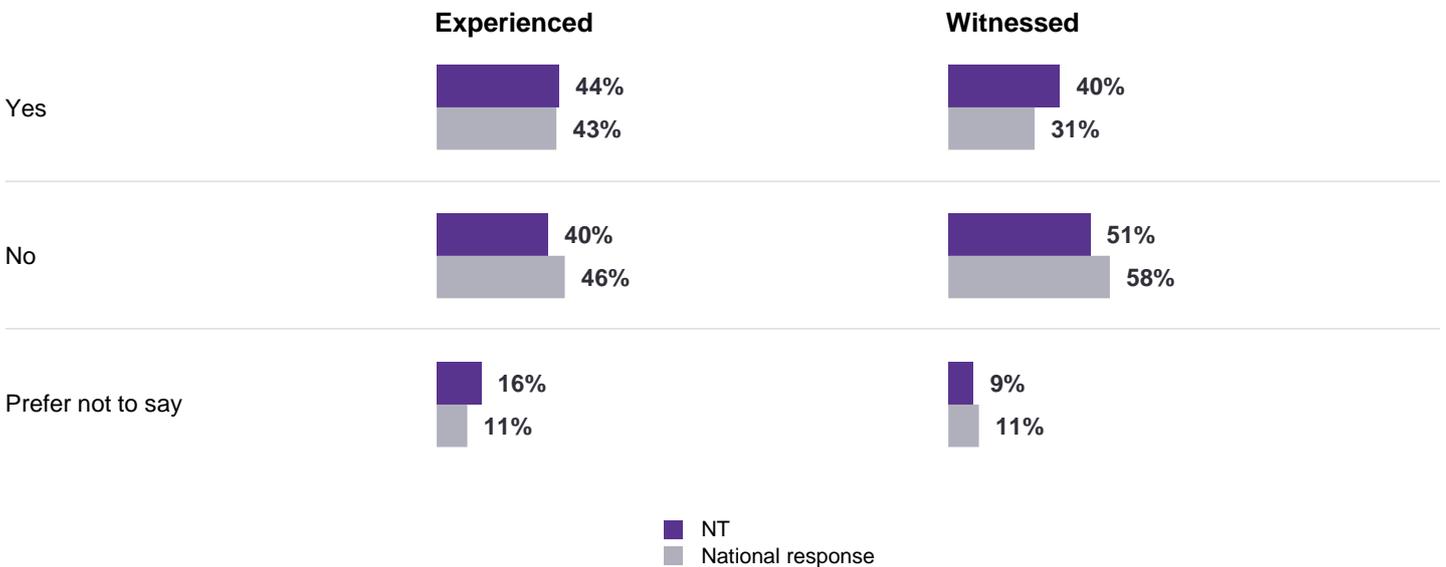
Base: Experienced/witnessed bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism - Experienced (National: 2022 n = 3,563; NT: 2022 n = 90) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 5,194; NT: 2022 n = 143)  
 Q42b. Who was responsible for the bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism that you experienced/witnessed...

## Workplace environment and culture

### 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: 2022 n = 2,796 NT: 2022 n = 71) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 4,068; NT: 2022 n = 114)

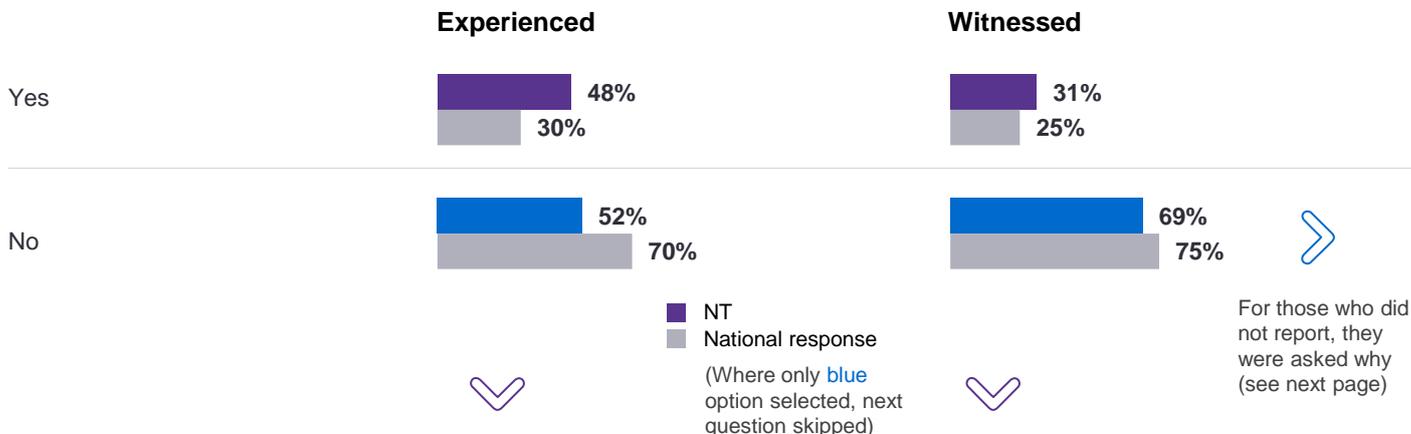
Q42c. The person(s) responsible was...

Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism from someone in their team or department (rebased to who was not a patient) (National: 2022 n = 1,914; NT: 2022 n = 50) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 2,574; NT: 2022 n = 67)

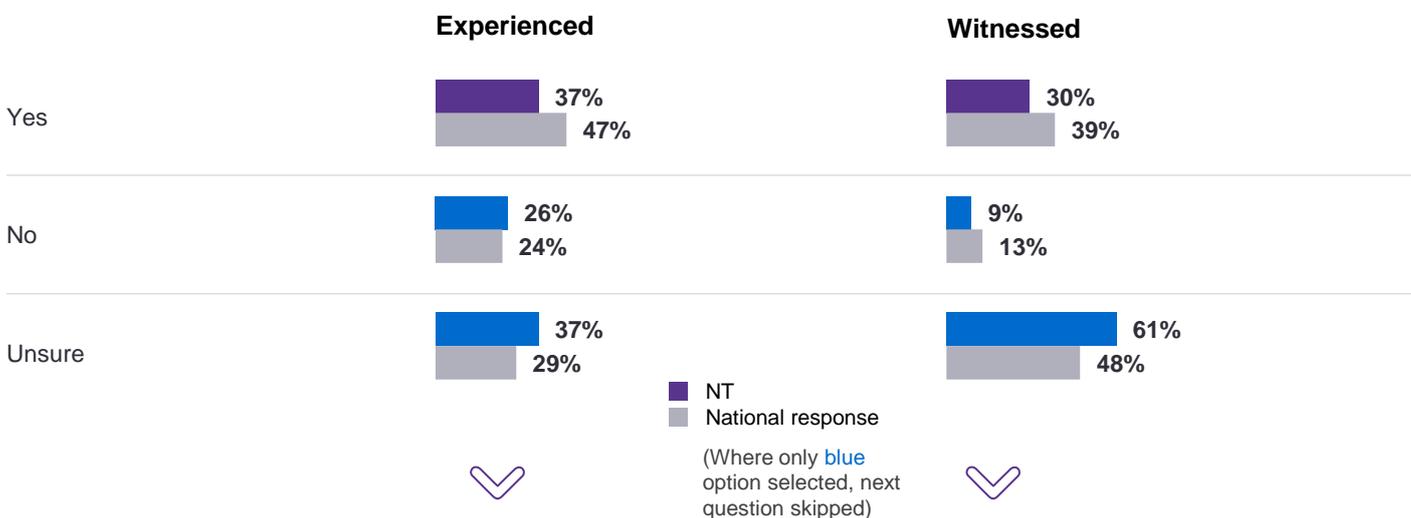
Q42d. Was the person(s) one of your supervisors?...

## Workplace environment and culture

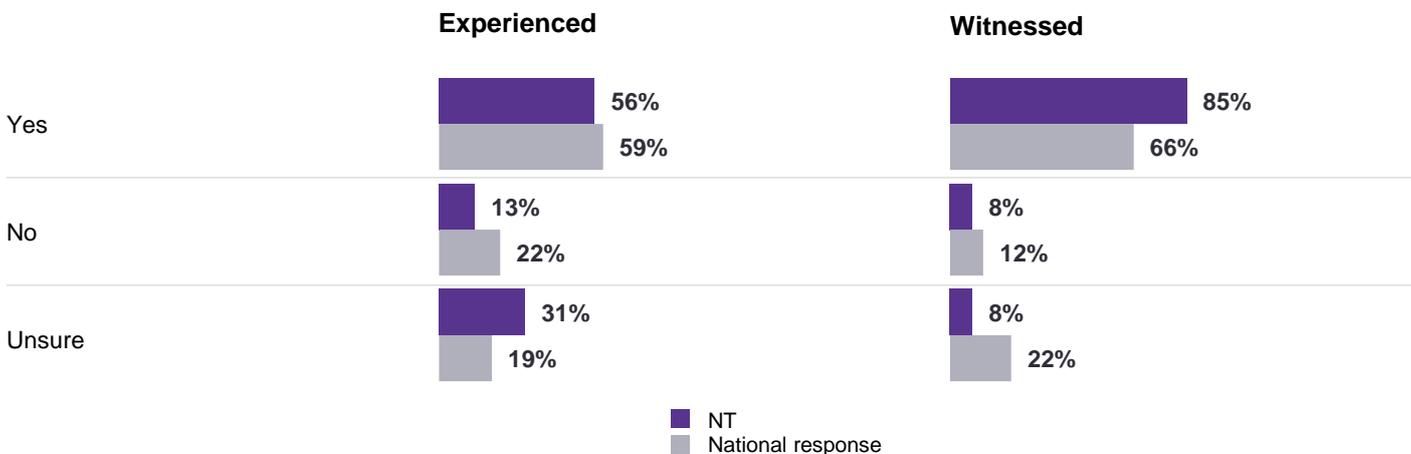
### HAVE YOU REPORTED IT...



### HAS THE REPORT BEEN FOLLOWED UP...



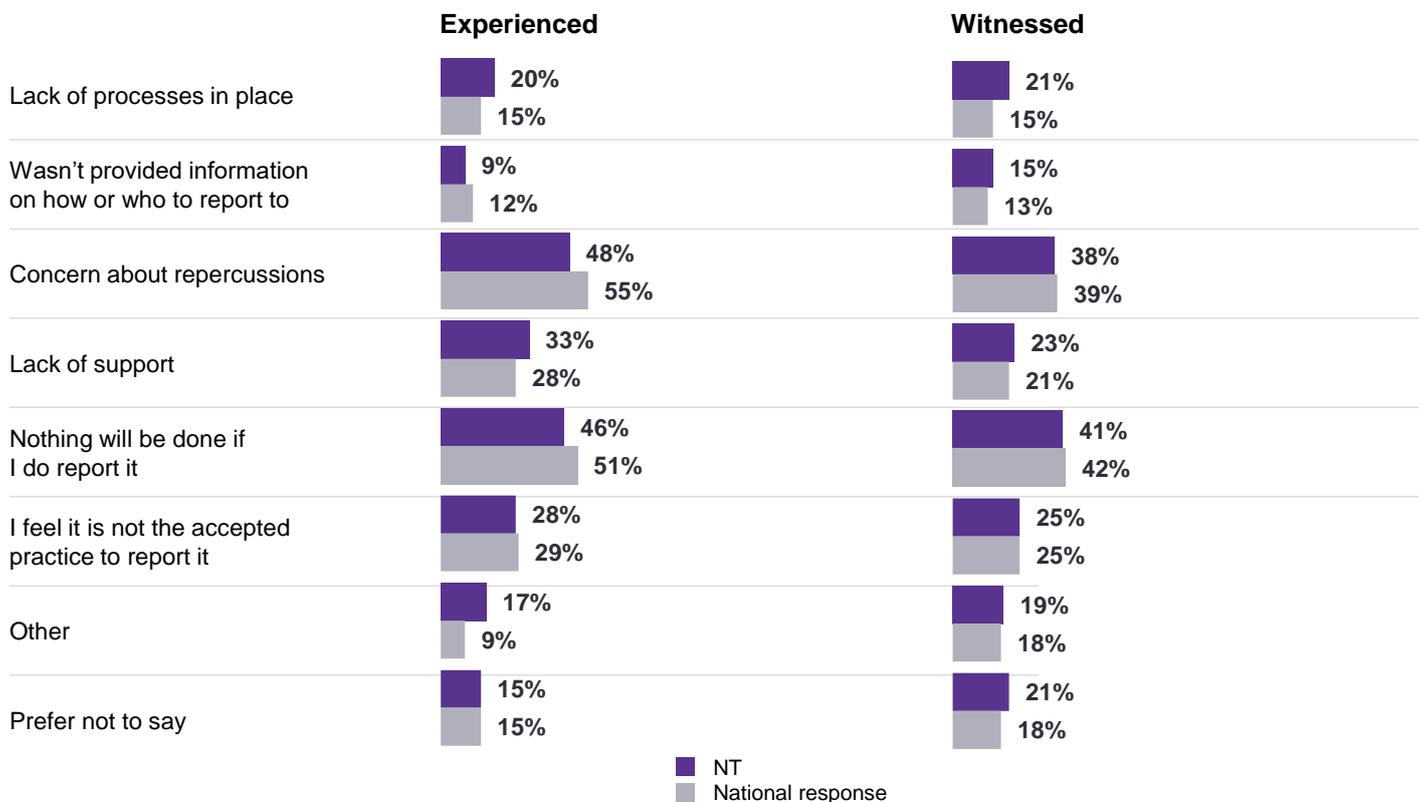
### ARE YOU SATISFIED WITH HOW THIS REPORT WAS FOLLOWED UP...



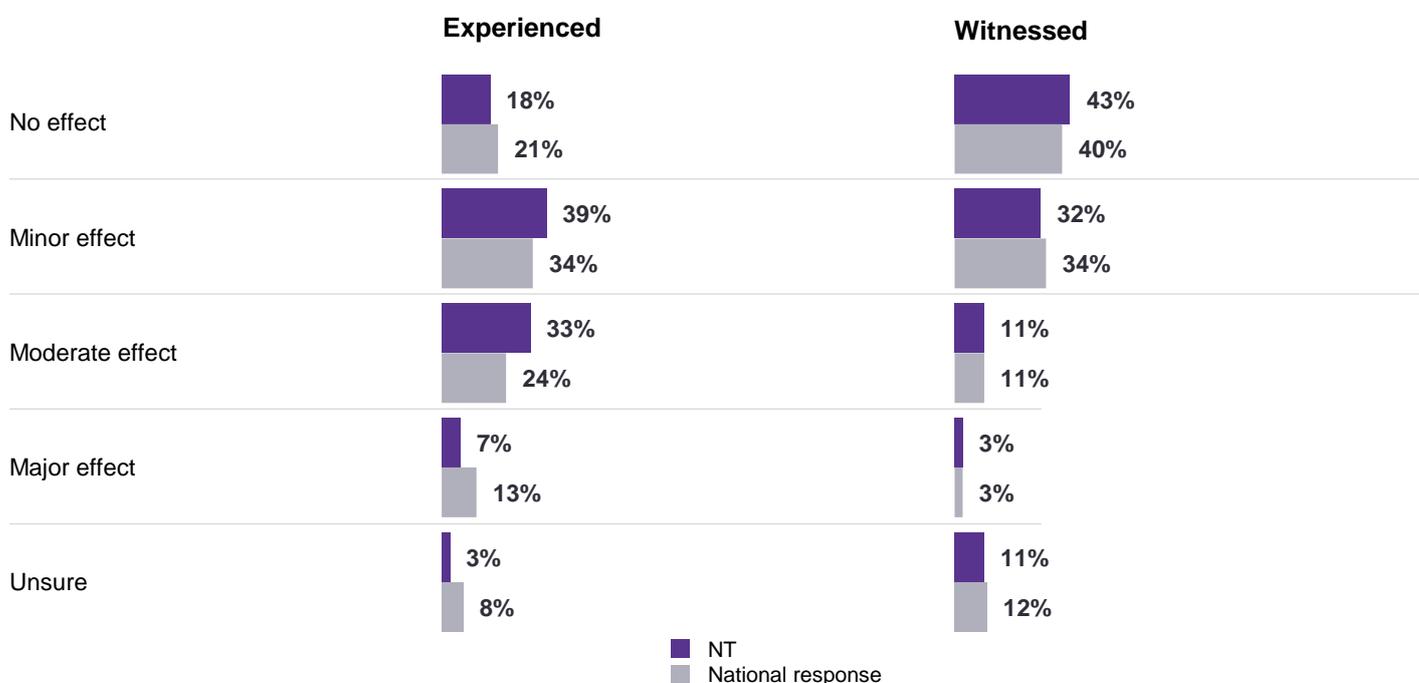
Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism (National: 2022 n = 3,576; NT: 2022 n = 89) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 5,190; NT: 2022 n = 140) | Q42e. Have you reported it?  
 Base: Reported bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism (National: 2022 n = 1,077; NT: 2022 n = 43) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 1,269; NT: 2022 n = 44) | Q42f. Has the report been followed up?  
 Base: Reported bullying, harassment, discrimination and/or racism who reported the incident and followed it up (National: 2022 n = 510; NT: 2022 n = 16) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 500; NT: 2022 n = 13) | Q42g. Are you satisfied with how the report was followed up?

## Workplace environment and culture

### 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: 2022 n = 2,472; NT: 2022 n = 46) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 3,846; NT: 2022 n = 95)

Q42i. What prevented you from reporting?

Base: Experienced bullying, harassment discrimination and/or racism (National: 2022 n = 3,557; NT: 2022 n = 90) - Witnessed (National: 2022 n = 5,152; NT: 2022 n = 141)

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

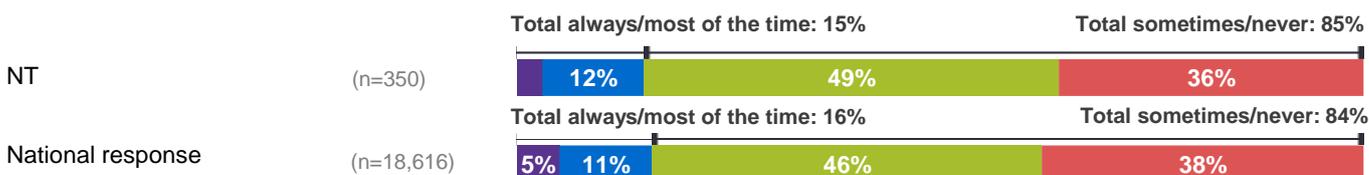
## Workplace environment and culture

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

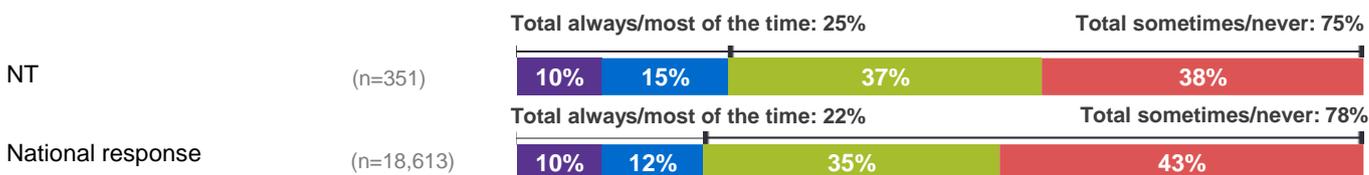
#### The amount of work I am expected to do



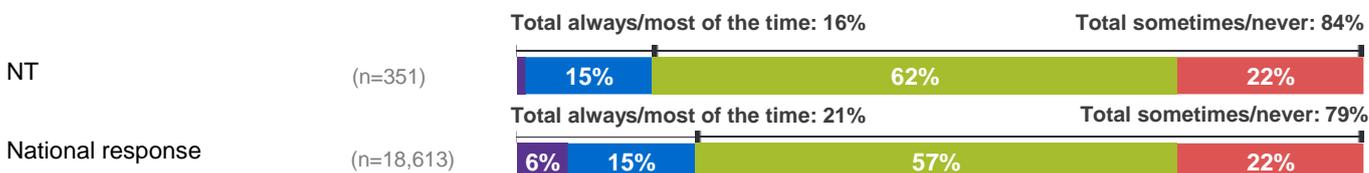
#### Having to work paid overtime



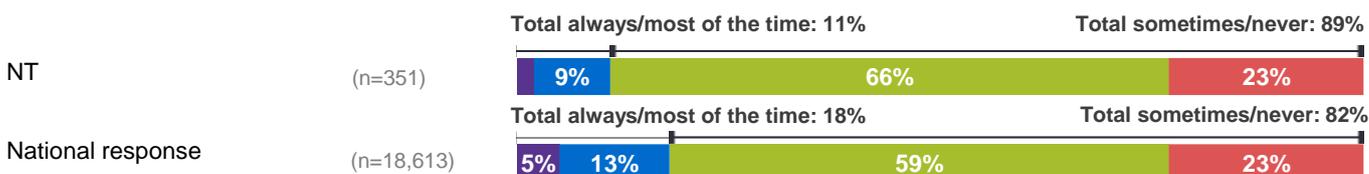
#### Having to work unpaid overtime



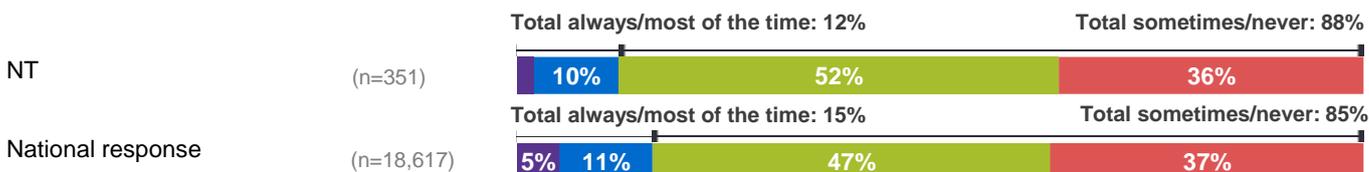
#### Dealing with patient expectations



#### Dealing with patients' families



#### Expectations of supervisors



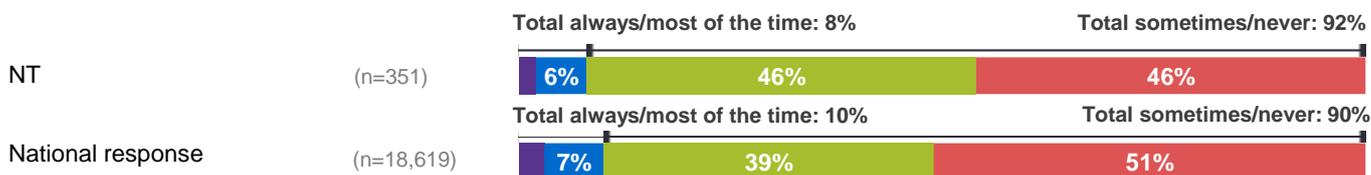
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Base: Total sample  
 Q44. How often do the following adversely affect your wellbeing in your setting?

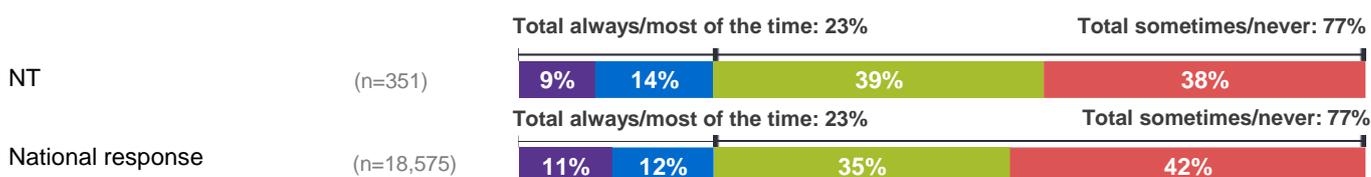
## Workplace environment and culture

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

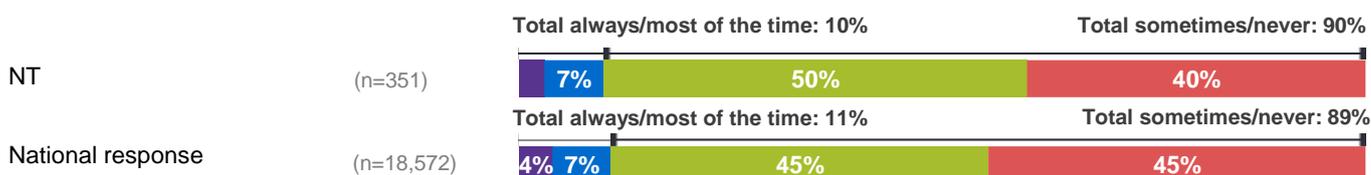
#### Supervisor feedback



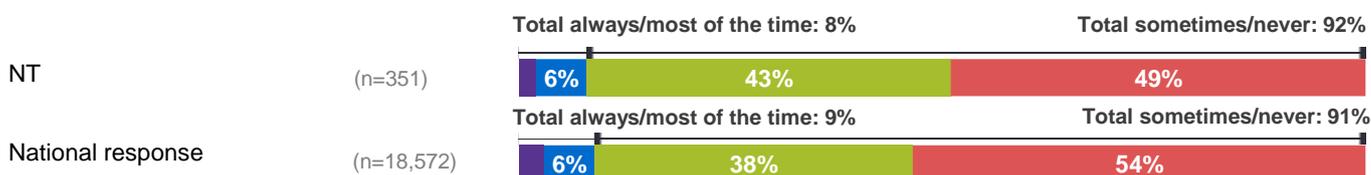
#### Having to relocate for work



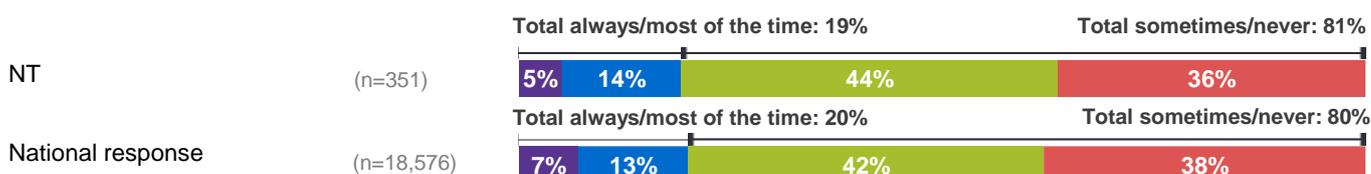
#### Being expected to do work that I don't feel confident doing



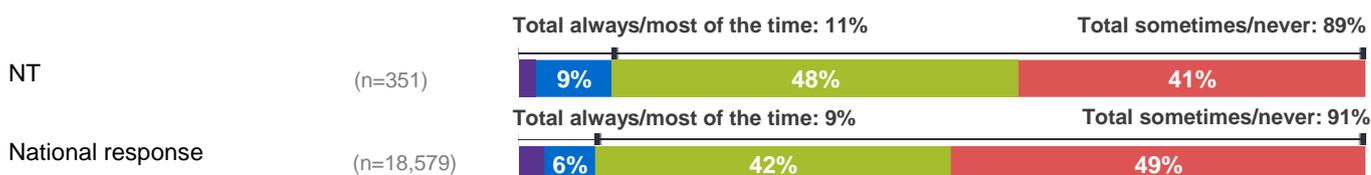
#### Limited access to senior clinicians



#### Lack of appreciation



#### Workplace conflict

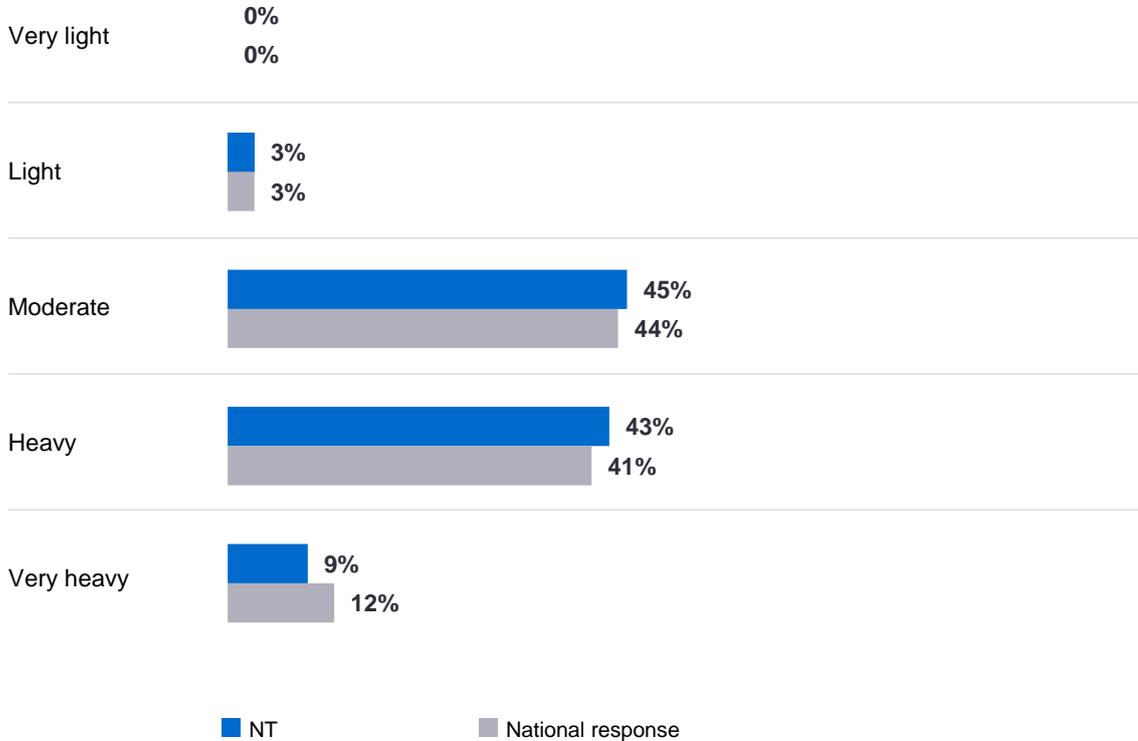


Key: Always      Most of the time      Sometimes      Never

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 (National: 2022 n = 18,583; NT: 2022 n = 351)  
 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, NT trainees worked 46.5 hours a week, compared to 46.0 hours a week for the national average.

For NT trainees, 68% were working 40 hours a week or more, compared to the national response of 67%.

On average, NT doctors in training worked...

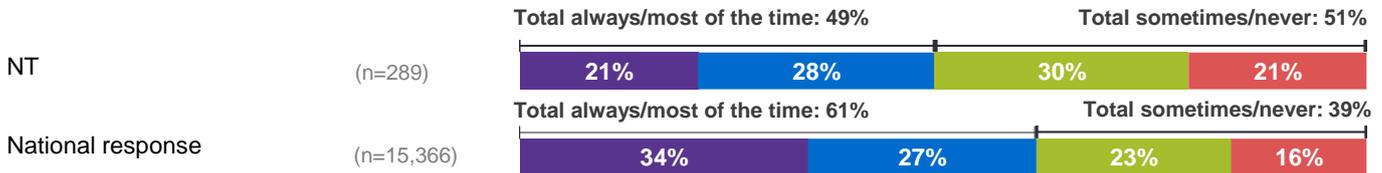
On average, doctors in training nationally worked...



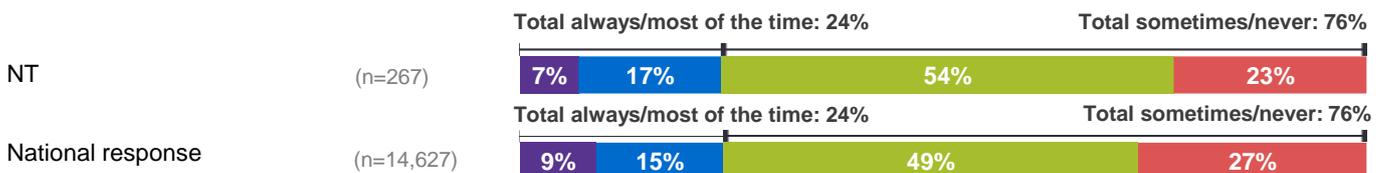
Base: Total sample (National: 2022 n = 18,553; NT: 2022 n = 349)  
 Q46. On average in the past month, how many hours per week have you worked?

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

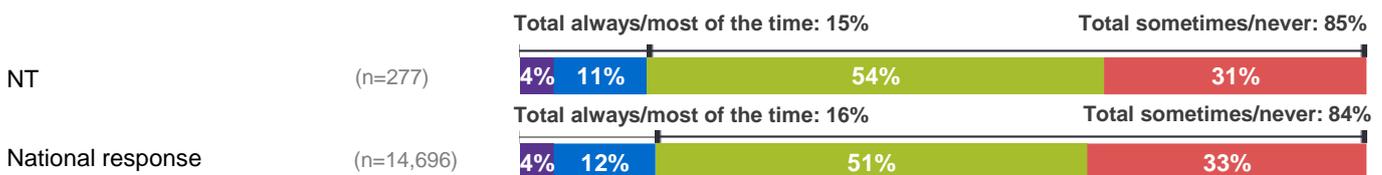
#### You get paid for the unrostered overtime



#### Working unrostered overtime have a negative impact on your training



#### Working unrostered overtime provide you with more training opportunities

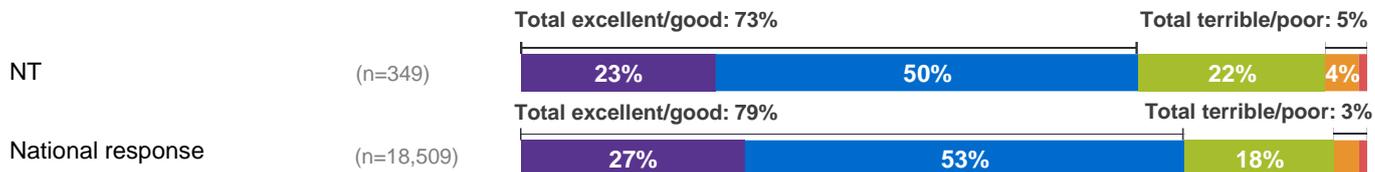


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Base: Total sample  
 Q47. For any unrostered overtime you have completed in the past, how often did...?

## Patient safety

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



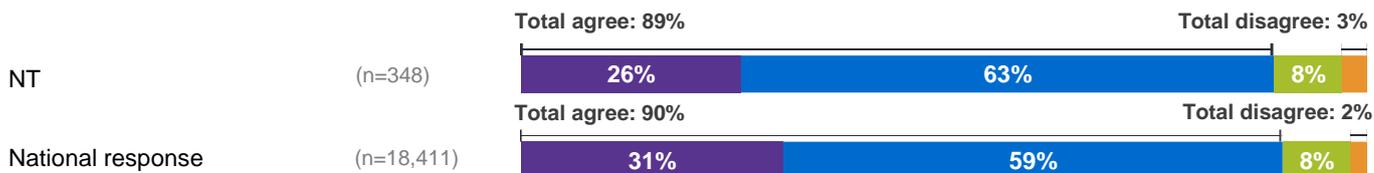
Key: ■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Average ■ Poor ■ Terrible

Base: Total sample

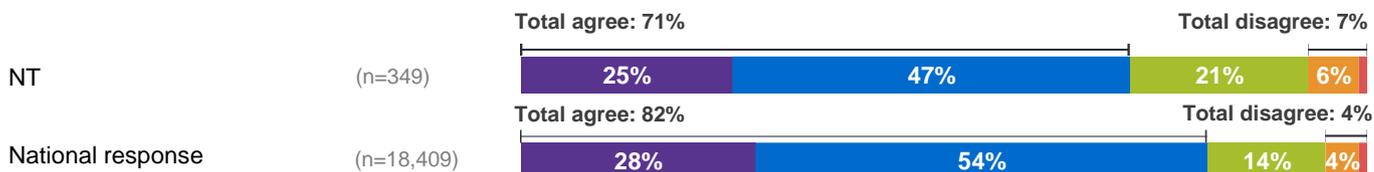
Q48. In your setting, how would you rate the quality of your training on how to raise concerns about patient safety?

### 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



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

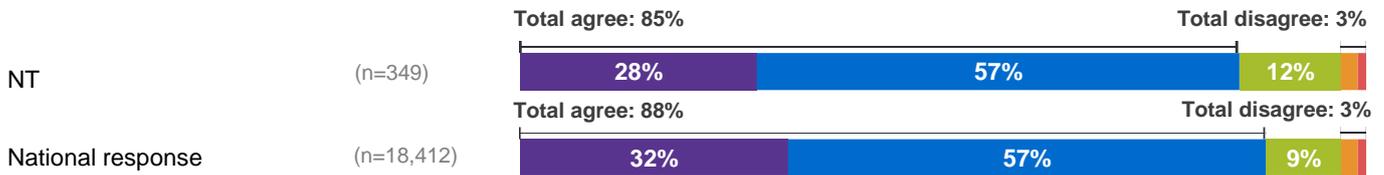
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Q49. Thinking about patient care and safety in your setting, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

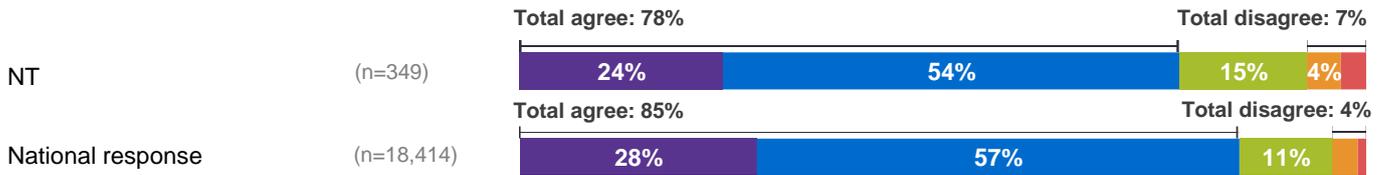
## Patient safety

### PATIENT CARE AND SAFETY IN THE WORKPLACE (cont.)

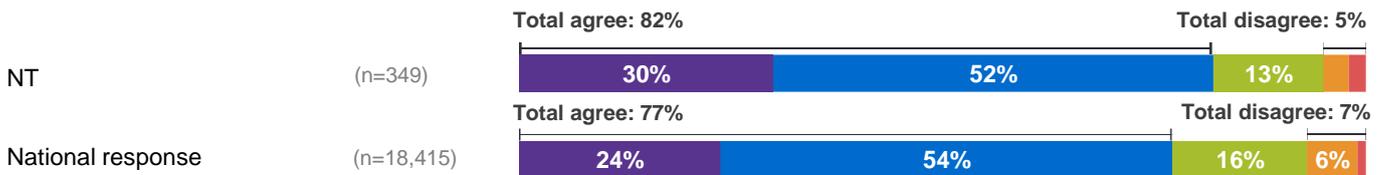
#### I am confident to raise concerns about patient care and safety



#### 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



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

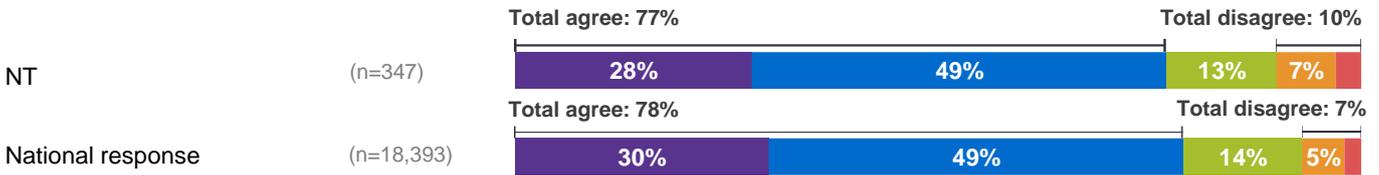
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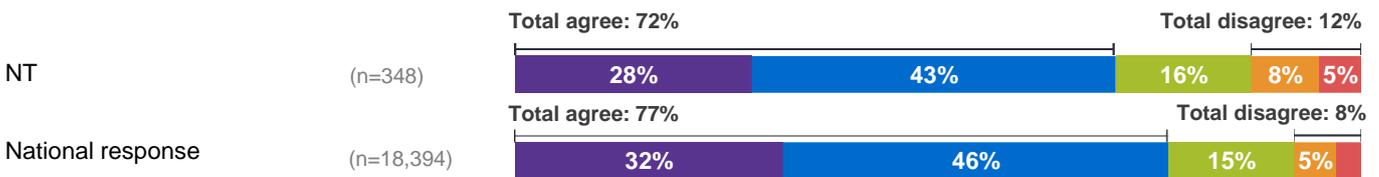
## Overall satisfaction

### RECOMMEND TRAINING

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



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



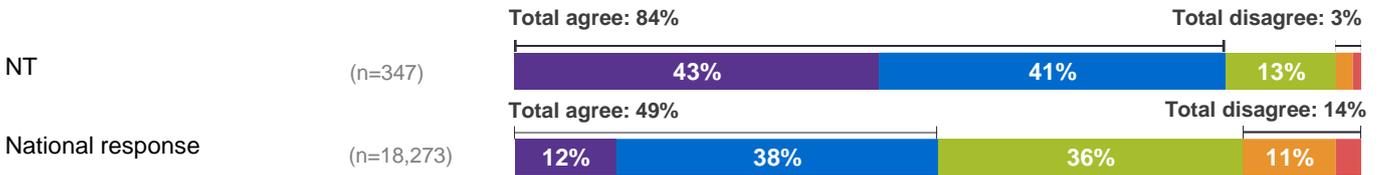
**Key:** ■ Strongly agree ■ Agree ■ Neither agree nor disagree ■ Disagree ■ Strongly disagree

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

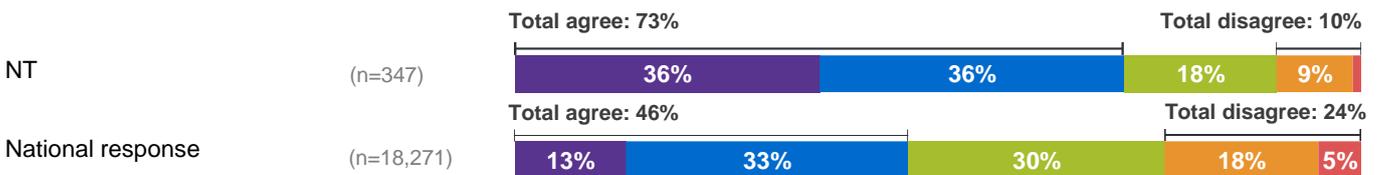
## Future career intentions

### CAREER INTERESTS

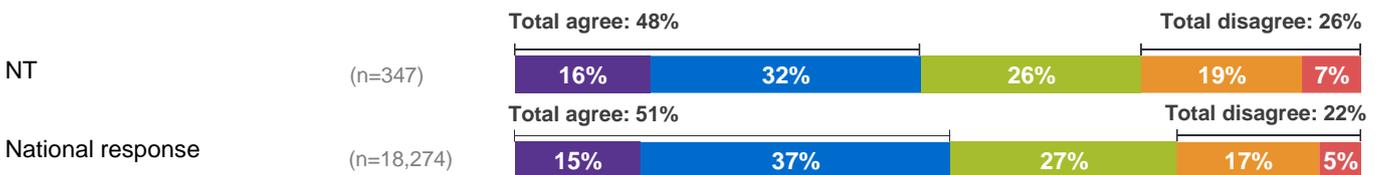
#### I have an interest in Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health/healthcare



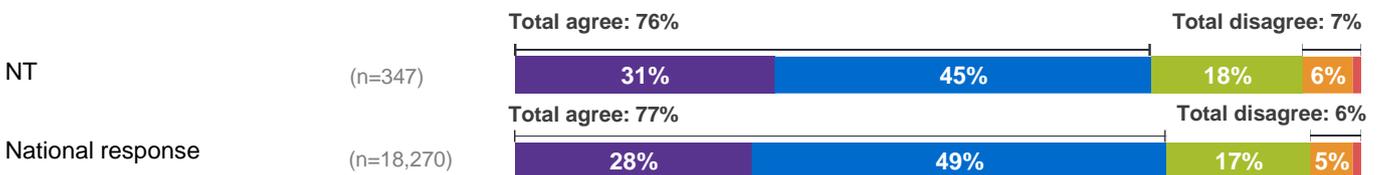
#### I am interested in rural practice



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



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



#### I am considering a future outside of medicine



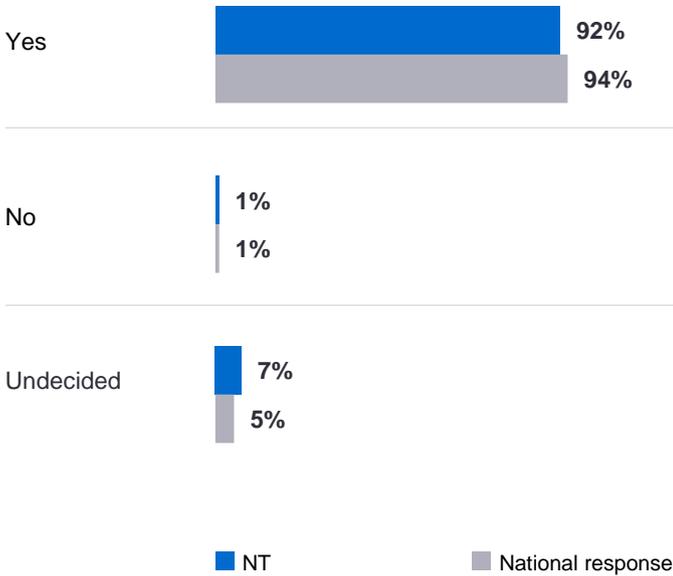
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Base: Total sample  
 Q54. Thinking about your future career, to what extent do you agree or disagree with the following statements?

## Future career intentions

### CONTINUATION OF SPECIALTY TRAINING PROGRAM

Overall, 92% of NT specialist trainees intended to continue with their specialty.



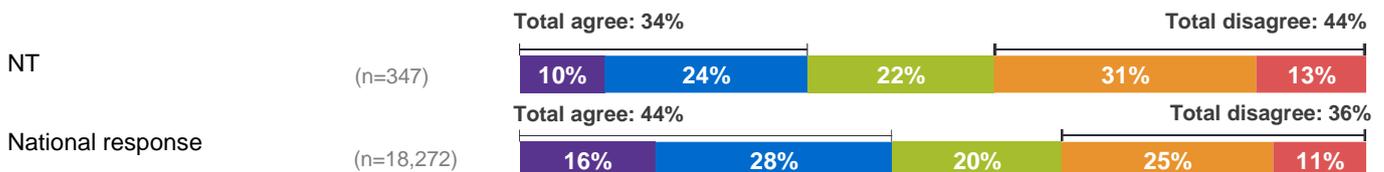
Base: Specialist trainees (National: 2022 n = 10,808; NT: 2022 n = 199)  
 National response comprised of specialist GP trainees and specialist non-GP trainees.  
 Q51a. Do you intend to continue in your specialty training program?

### TRAINING PROGRAM COMPLETION

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



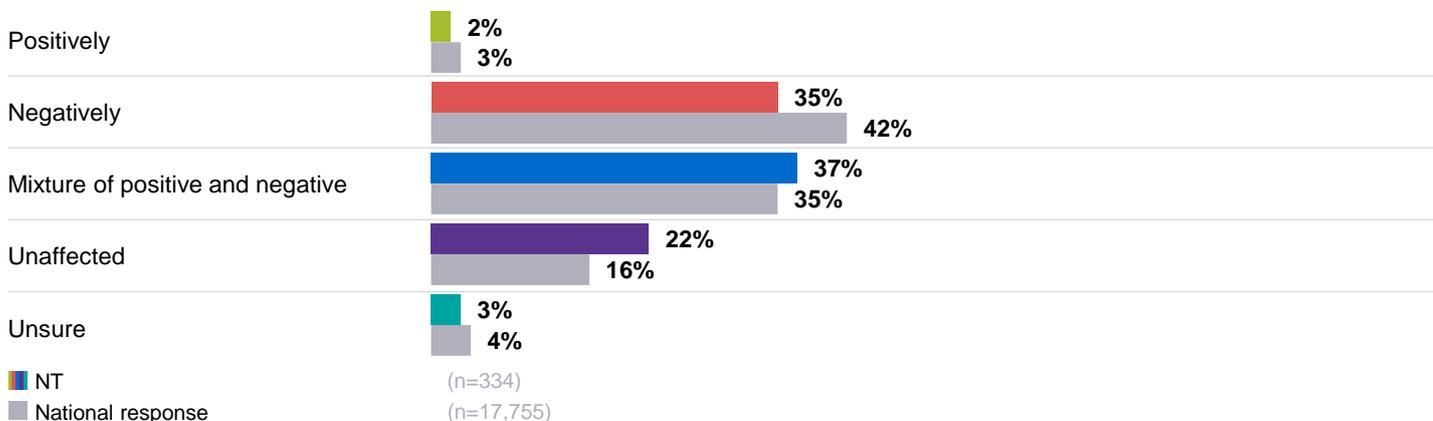
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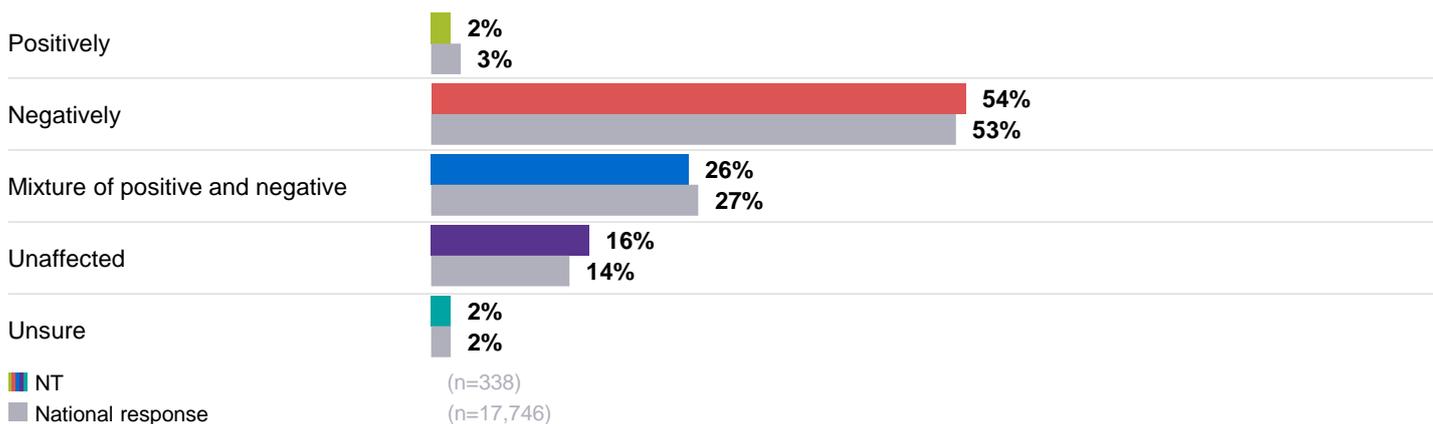
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### COVID-19 HAS IMPACTED MY...

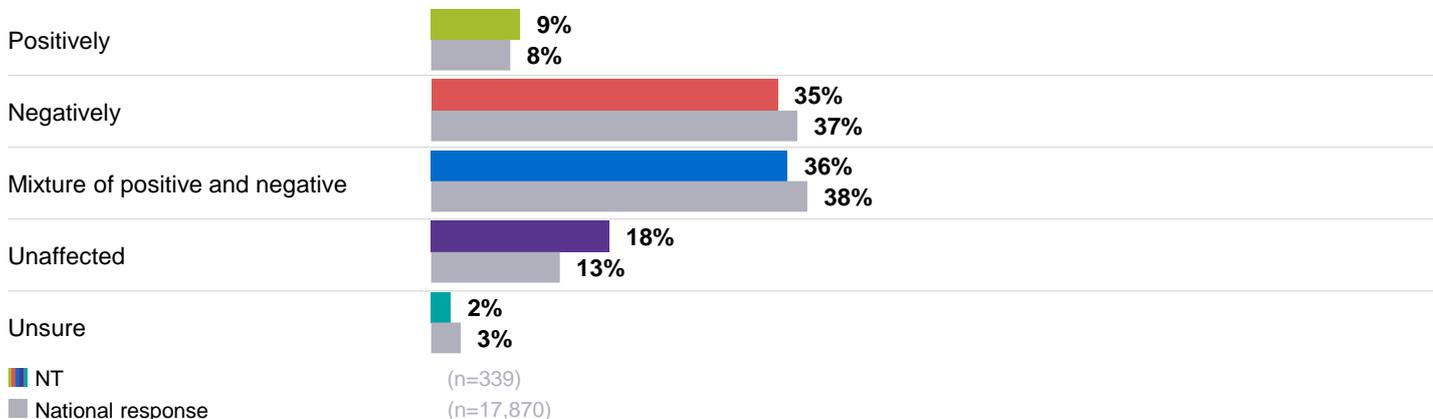
#### Training opportunities



#### Routine teaching



#### Ways of learning



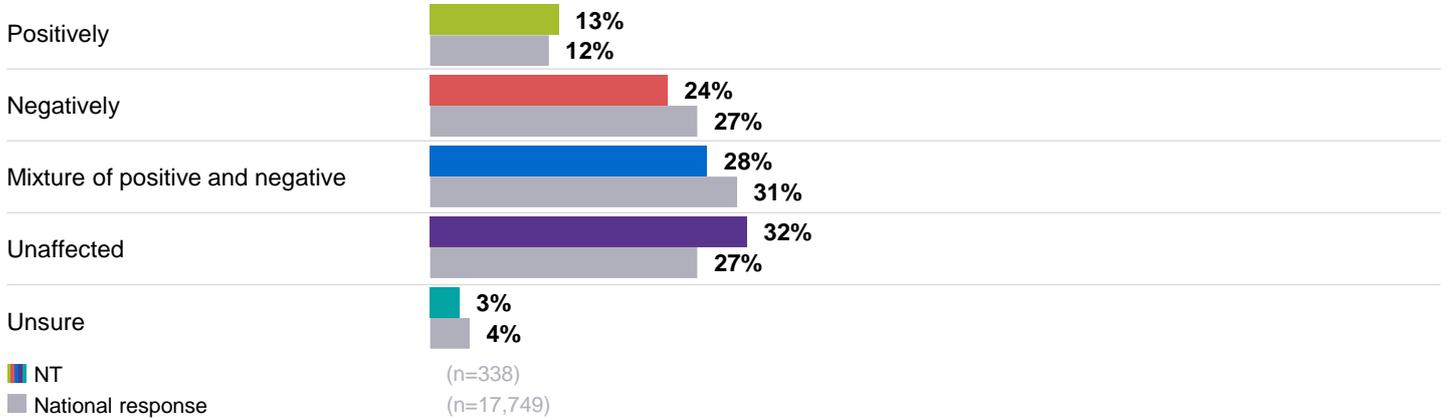
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Q62. We would like to know if and how COVID-19 has impacted your medical training in 2022. COVID-19 has impacted my...

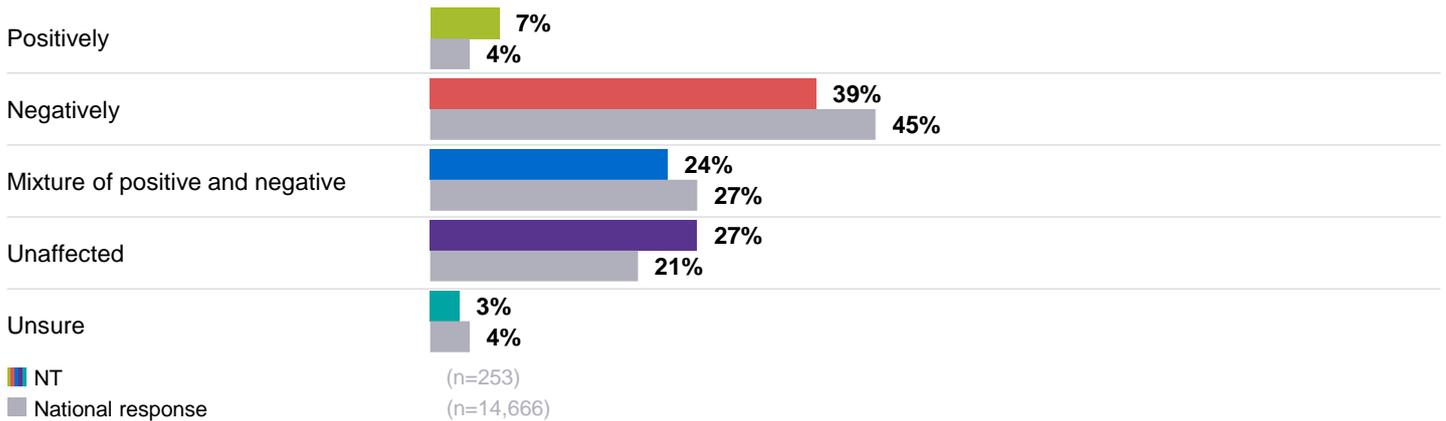
## Impacts of COVID-19

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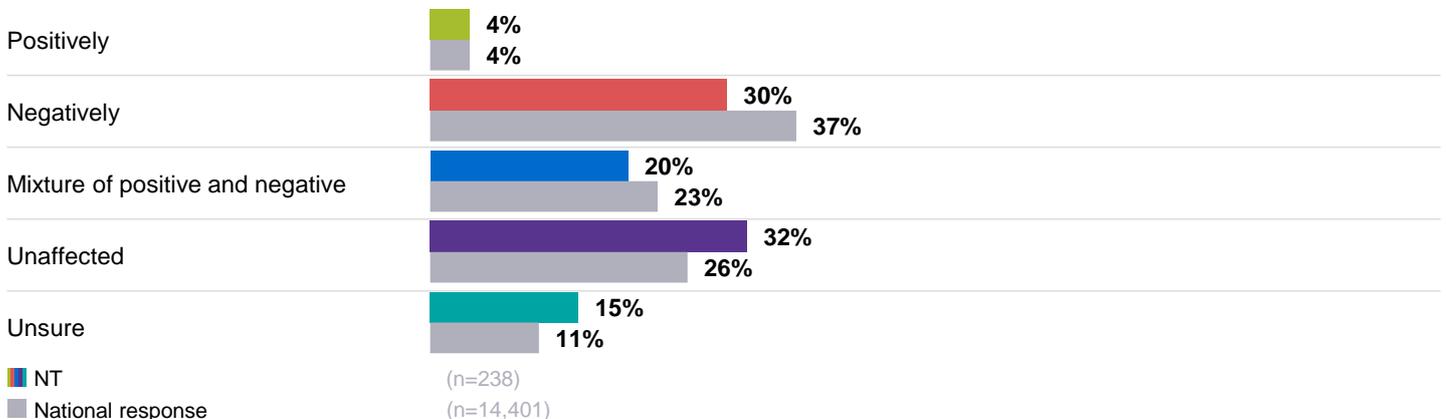
#### Access to learning resources



#### Exam(s) preparation



#### Research opportunities



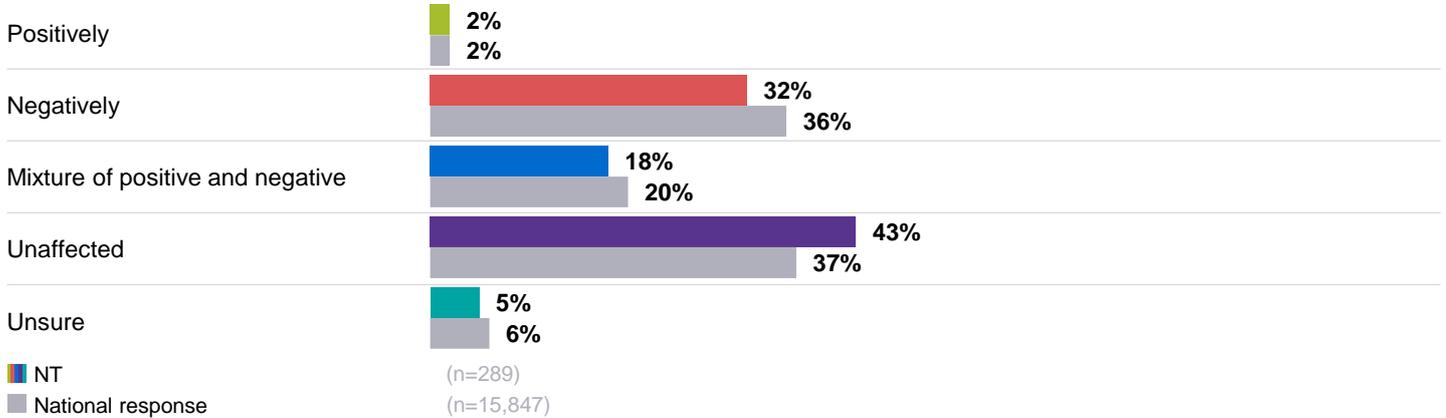
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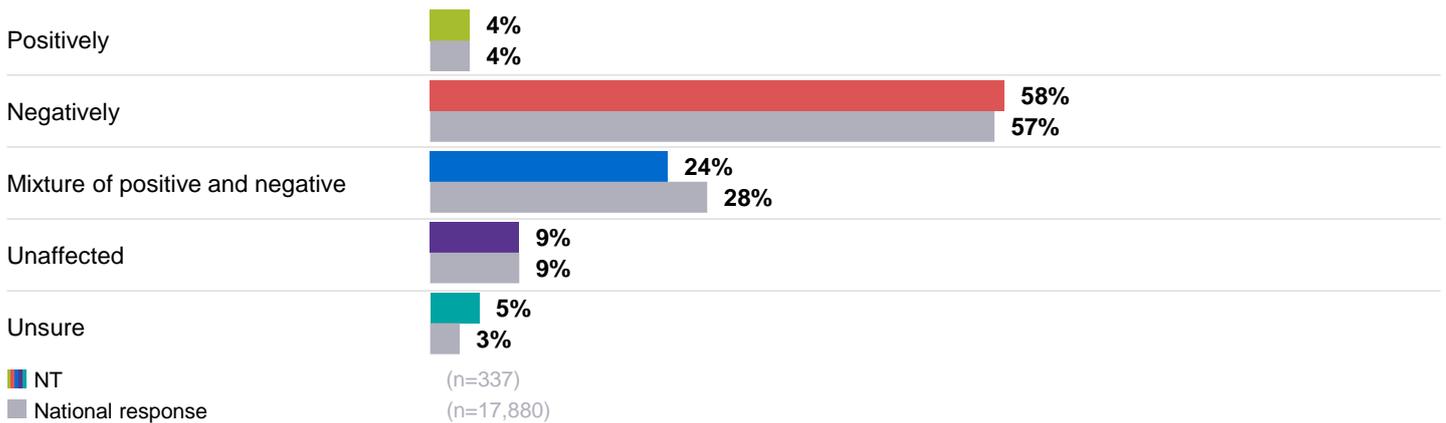
## Impacts of COVID-19

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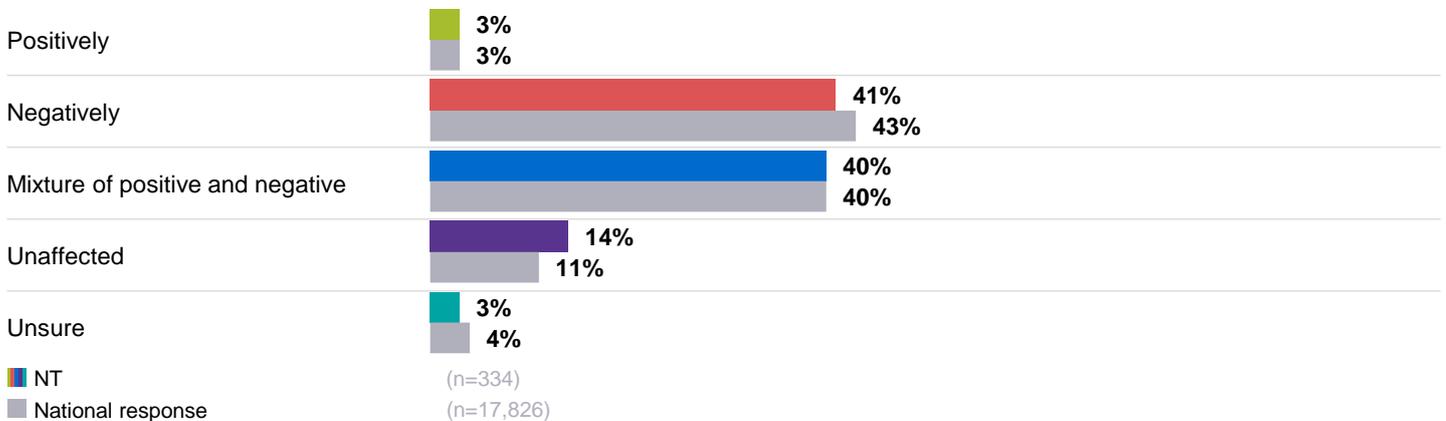
#### Progression (e.g. delayed entry, completion of training)



#### Workload



#### Medical training overall



Base: Total sample

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