

National Physician Survey, 2007. Results for Clinical Specialists - Internal Medicine.

Q26. The following statements address the role of alternative/complementary medicine in health services. Please check the category that best describes your opinion for each of the following:

		Internal Medicine Specialists											Total n=627 N=5096
		Cardio n=80 N=738	EndoMet n=32 N=240	Gastro n=41 N=388	Geriat n=30 N=242	Hema n=29 N=210	Immun n=14 N=95	IntMed n=213 N=1607	MedOnc n=33 N=271	Nephro n=53 N=435	Respir n=67 N=584	Rheuma n=35 N=287	
		%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
Alternative/ complementary medicine includes ideas and methods from which conventional medicine could benefit.	Strongly agree	2.6%	4.1%	7.7%	1.7%	**	**	2.4%	.0%	4.6%	3.4%	.0%	2.8%
	Agree	32.4%	20.0%	28.5%	48.3%	**	**	28.2%	20.7%	16.8%	40.3%	17.6%	29.1%
	Neutral	40.3%	28.9%	32.5%	46.7%	**	**	40.0%	43.5%	55.0%	30.7%	53.8%	40.1%
	Disagree	15.9%	28.5%	19.9%	1.6%	**	**	17.1%	33.8%	10.6%	16.6%	15.5%	17.1%
	Strongly disagree	7.0%	12.1%	7.0%	1.6%	**	**	9.6%	2.0%	10.5%	5.6%	13.1%	8.5%
	NR	1.8%	6.4%	4.3%	.0%	**	**	2.7%	.0%	2.4%	3.3%	.0%	2.4%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	**	**	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Treatments not tested in a scientifically recognized manner should be discouraged.	Strongly agree	32.9%	35.3%	17.3%	8.2%	**	**	32.9%	29.1%	37.3%	29.7%	24.6%	30.5%
	Agree	37.3%	40.8%	44.9%	54.5%	**	**	36.5%	47.4%	30.2%	34.0%	46.2%	38.5%
	Neutral	19.0%	13.3%	21.1%	32.3%	**	**	19.2%	12.5%	24.4%	31.2%	28.1%	21.5%
	Disagree	6.0%	.0%	12.4%	5.0%	**	**	7.1%	3.7%	3.6%	.0%	1.2%	5.2%
	Strongly disagree	1.6%	4.3%	.0%	.0%	**	**	1.0%	7.3%	2.0%	1.7%	.0%	1.5%
	NR	3.2%	6.4%	4.3%	.0%	**	**	3.4%	.0%	2.4%	3.3%	.0%	2.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	**	**	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Alternative/ complementary medicine is a threat to public health.	Strongly agree	6.5%	2.8%	4.9%	.0%	**	**	7.1%	3.1%	7.5%	5.6%	6.1%	5.9%
	Agree	17.2%	30.3%	8.1%	19.1%	**	**	15.9%	26.7%	10.5%	13.3%	21.2%	16.6%
	Neutral	40.1%	35.9%	45.3%	43.9%	**	**	40.4%	47.8%	49.1%	39.7%	42.3%	42.4%
	Disagree	28.8%	24.7%	26.3%	27.1%	**	**	29.0%	18.8%	29.7%	29.6%	26.9%	27.3%
	Strongly disagree	5.6%	.0%	10.1%	9.9%	**	**	4.9%	3.6%	.8%	8.4%	3.5%	5.0%
	NR	1.8%	6.4%	5.4%	.0%	**	**	2.7%	.0%	2.4%	3.3%	.0%	2.8%
Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	**	**	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

Notes:

Includes only respondents who provide patient care.

NR=No Response.

This question was asked only of those respondents who completed the long questionnaire.

The responding sample (size: n) has been weighted to represent the population (size: N). Further detail available at www.nationalphysiciansurvey.ca.

** Results are suppressed when there are fewer than 30 respondents.