

Cardiff MRCS OSCE Course: Five-Day Preparatory Course for MRCS OSCE



Feedback - September 2022

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This five-day preparatory course provided the attendee with a thorough understanding of the topics on which to focus and the areas to prepare for the MRCS OSCE. The course was delivered through a robust method of small group teaching, individual OSCEs and interactive discussions, all of which aimed to guide the attendee to prepare for each component of the exam (all stations were covered during the five days). This course was suitable for those who had recently started their revision but were not fully prepared for the exam. It was structured for those sitting the exam four to six weeks later or those who wished to gain an understanding of the revision topics and techniques for the MRCS OSCE that they intend to sit in 3 to 4 months' time.

Day 1 and Day 2 focussed on the knowledge component of the exam, with emphasis placed on anatomy and pathology but also consideration of related microbiology and applied surgical sciences (physiology). Day 3 was divided into a morning session that covered clinical and procedural skills and an afternoon session that covered additional applied surgical sciences and critical care stations. Day 4 consisted of small group teaching using anatomical dissections, relevant pathological specimens, and osteology. A mock OSCE took place during the afternoon. Day 5 consisted of clinical examination stations in the morning and communication skills stations in the afternoon.

The programme and the teaching sessions reflected any changes introduced to the exam due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

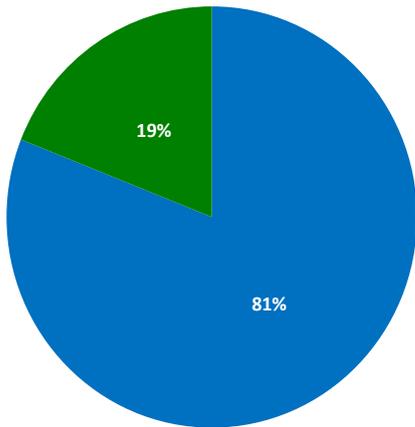
Course Information

Venue:	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff; School of Biosciences, Cardiff University
Dates:	7th - 11th September 2022
Attendance:	36 Delegates
Aimed at:	Candidates Preparing for the MRCS OSCE Examination
Course Fee:	£875.00



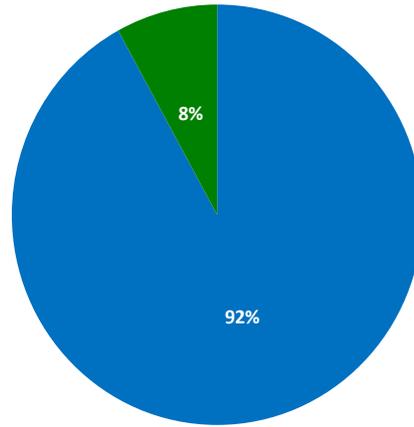
Overall Feedback

How was the clarity of the sessions?



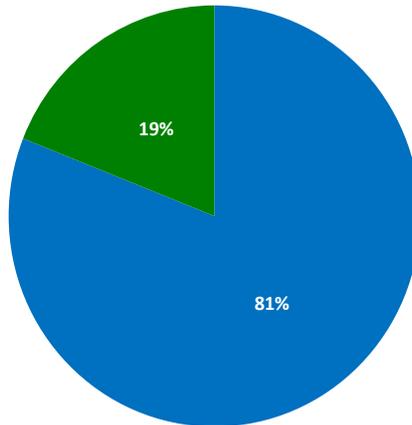
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the tutors?



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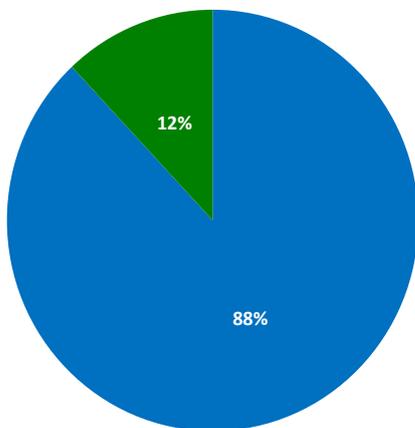
How do you rate the relevance of the course to your studies?



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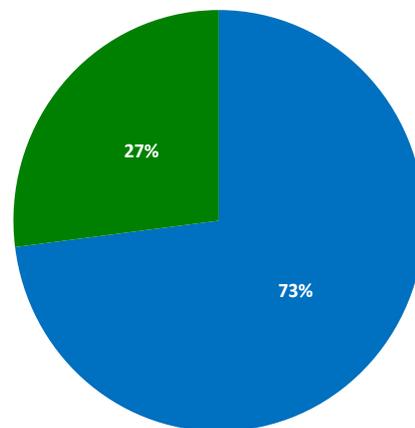
Wednesday 7th and Thursday 8th September 2022

Skull Base, Head and Face



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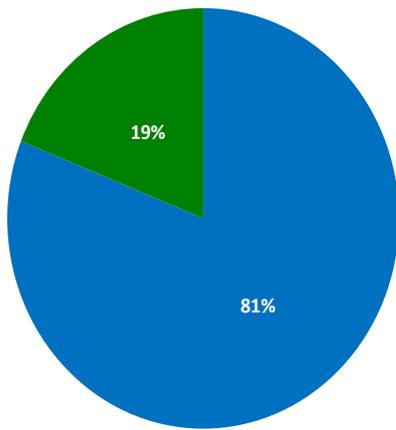
Neck, Neck Swellings, Larynx



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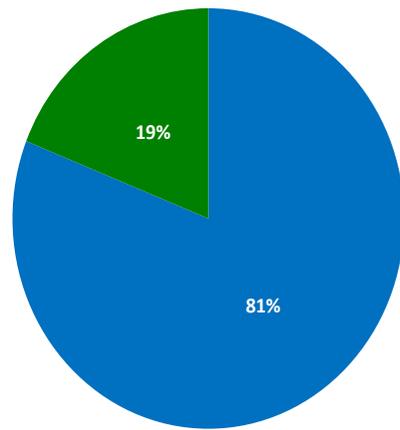
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Thorax, Mediastinum and Oesophagus



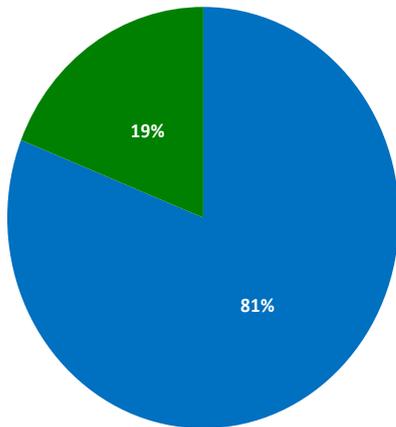
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Heart and Lung



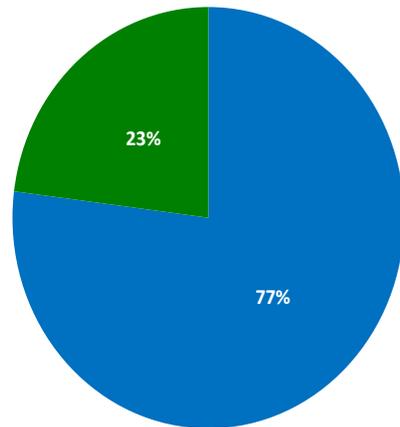
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Brachial Plexus and Upper Limb



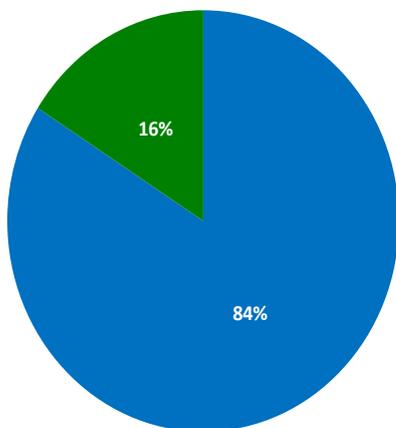
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Upper Limb Nerve Injuries



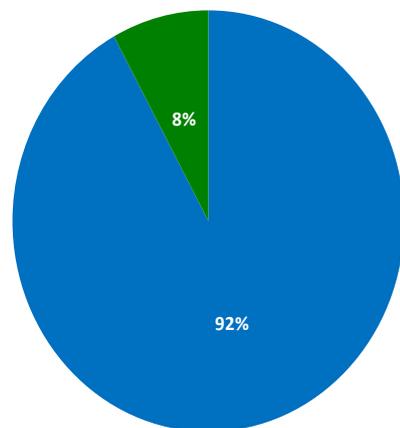
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General Abdomen



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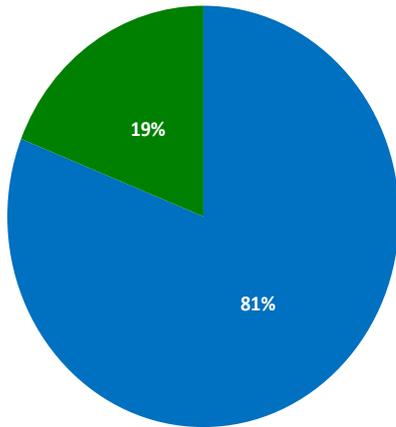
Abdominal Organs (Solid and Hollow)



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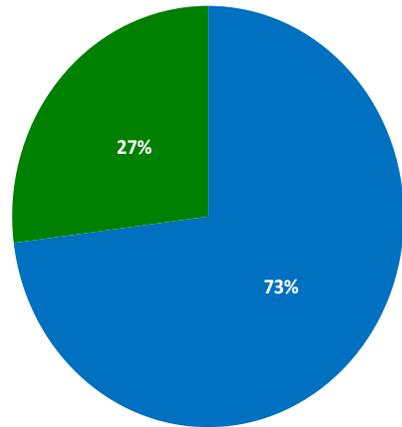
Overall Feedback

Pelvis and Perineum



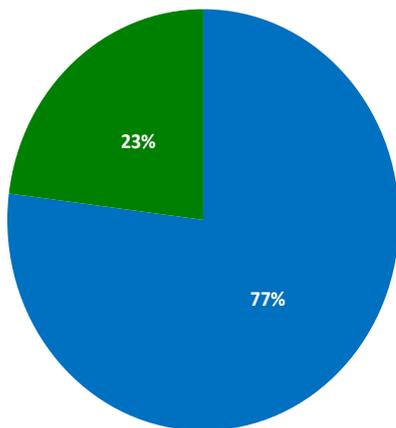
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Spinal Cord and Spinal Cord Syndromes



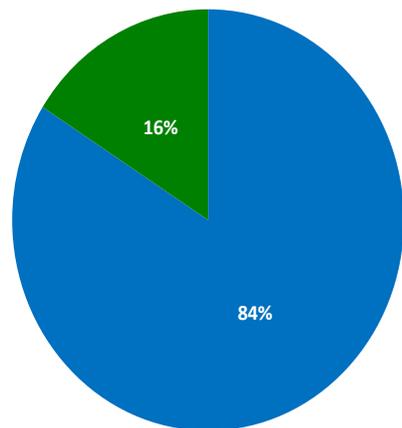
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Lumbosacral Plexus



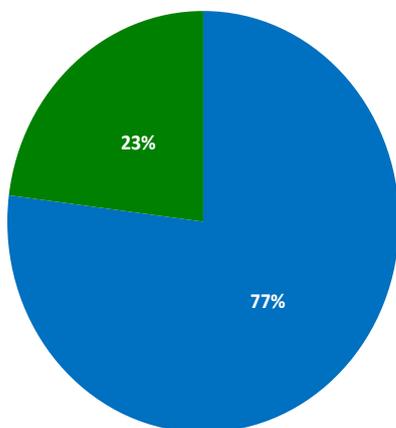
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Lower Limb



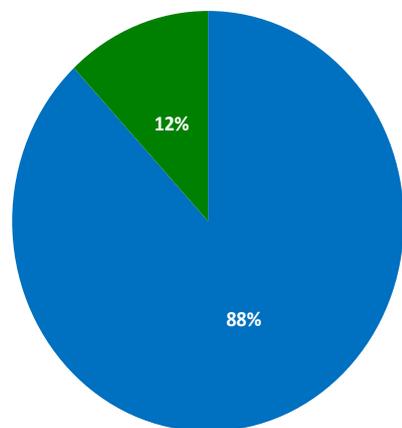
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Lower Limb Nerve Injuries



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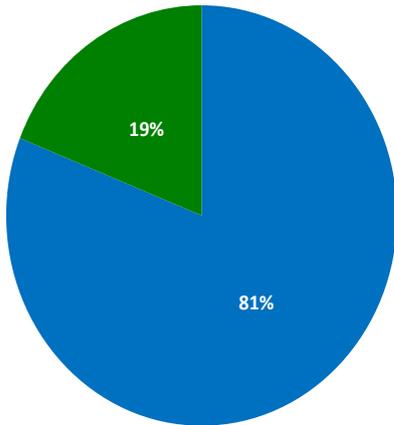
Pathology – Malignant Melanoma



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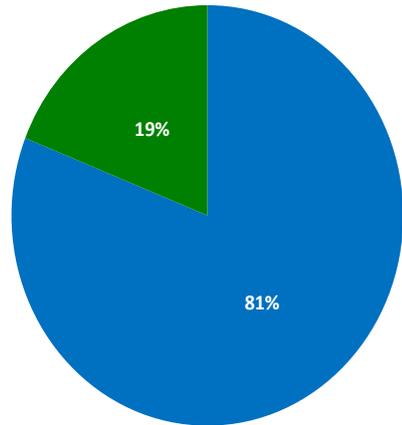
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Pathology – Non-Melanoma Skin Cancers



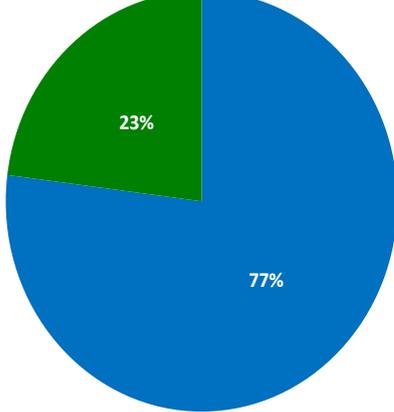
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Pathology – Thyroid Pathologies and Cancers



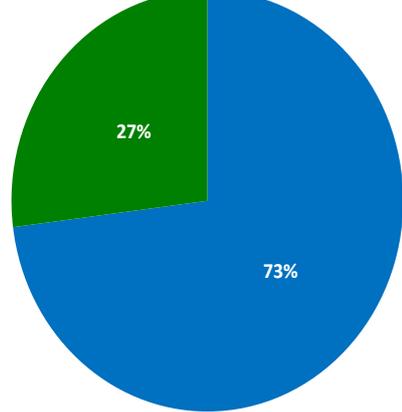
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Pathology – Carcinoid Tumour and Syndrome



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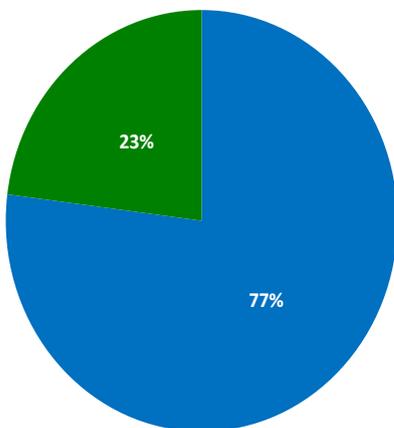
Pathology – Adrenal Conditions and Pheochromocytoma



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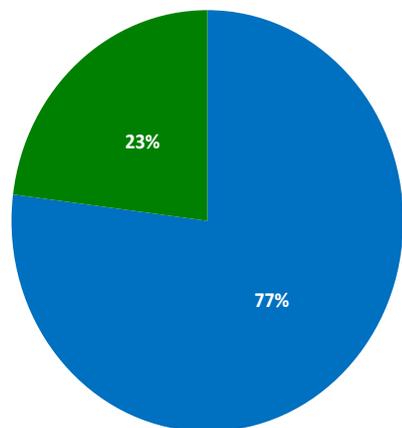
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Knot Tying



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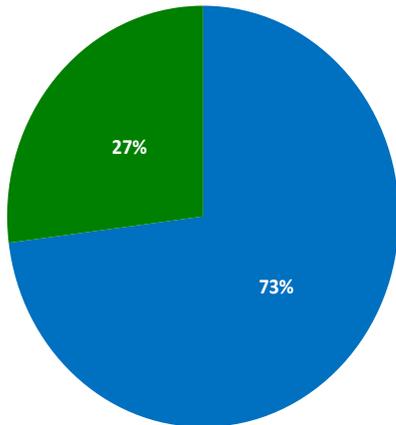
Excision of a Lesion



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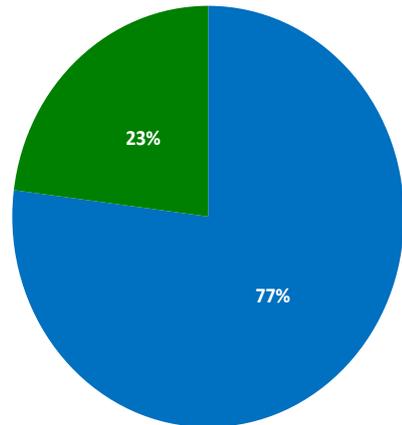
Overall Feedback

Suturing



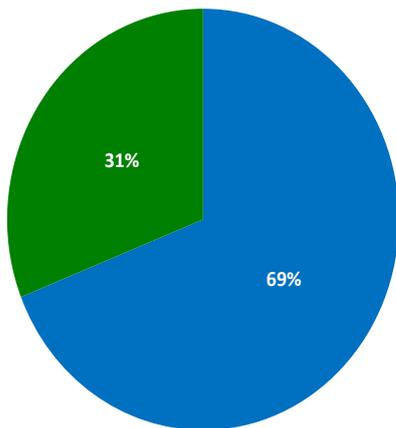
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Sutures and Suture Materials



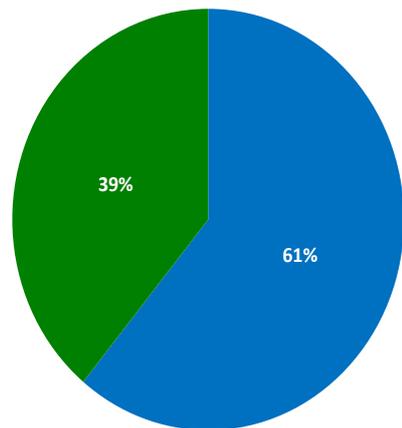
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Chest Drain Insertion



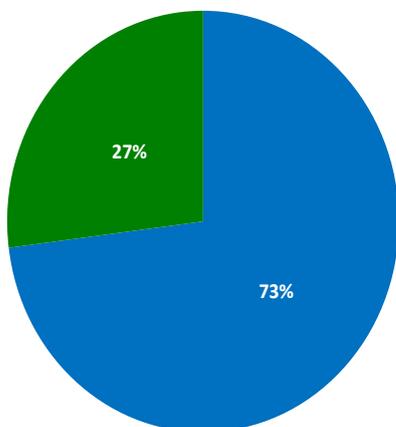
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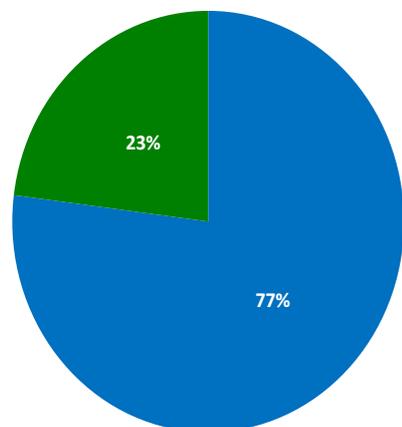
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Wound Debridement



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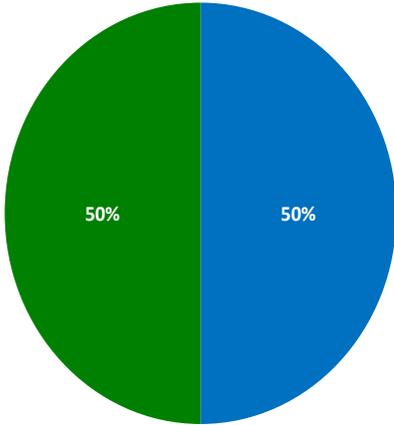
Drainage of an Abscess



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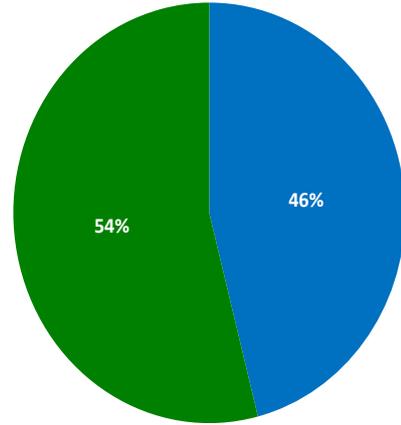
Overall Feedback

Cannulation



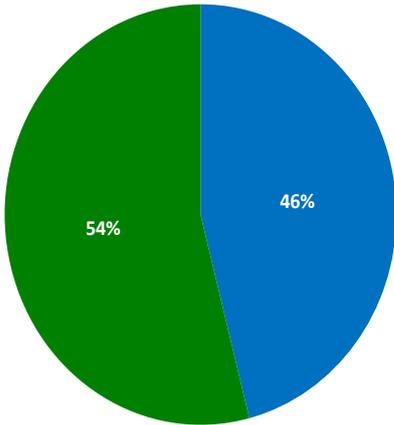
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Catheterisation



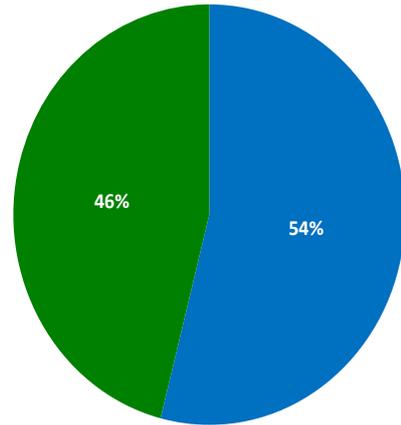
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Theatre List Prioritisation



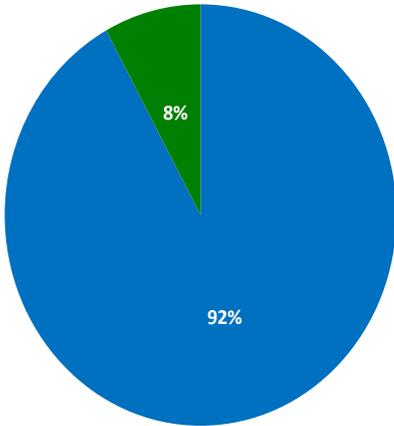
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Respiratory Physiology and Sepsis



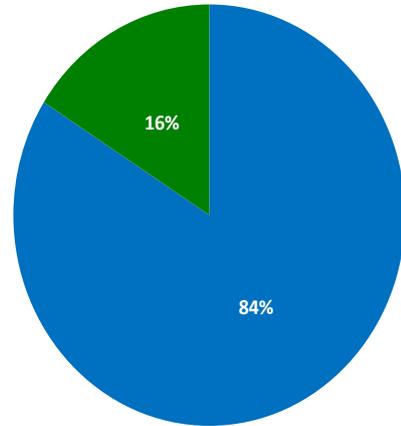
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Cardiac Physiology



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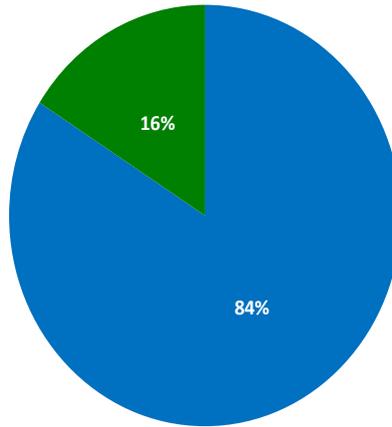
Gastrointestinal and Nutritional Physiology



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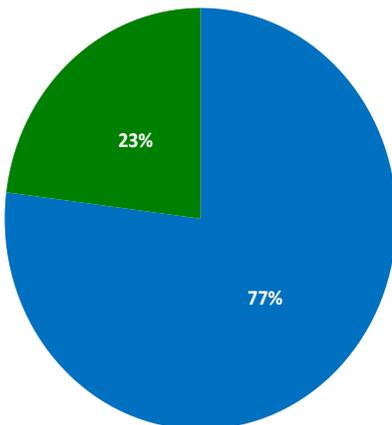
General Physiology



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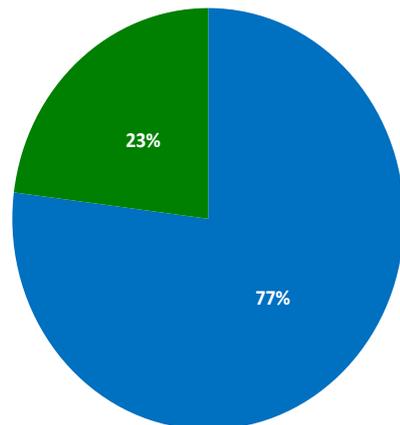
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Dissection Room - Skull Base



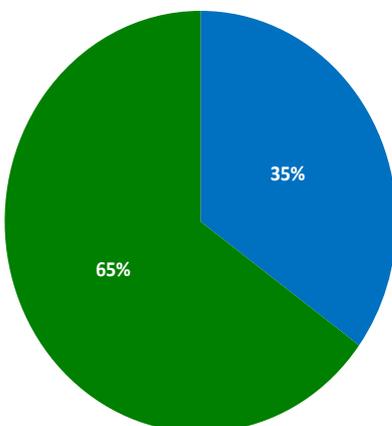
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Dissection Room - Face and Neck



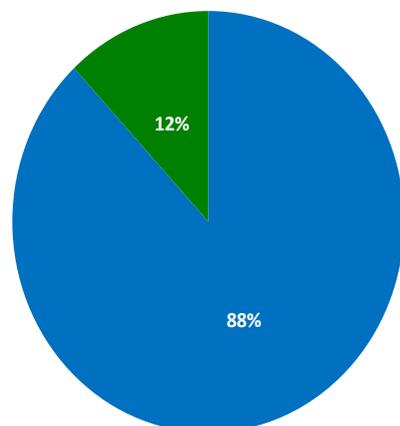
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Dissection Room - Spine and Vertebrae



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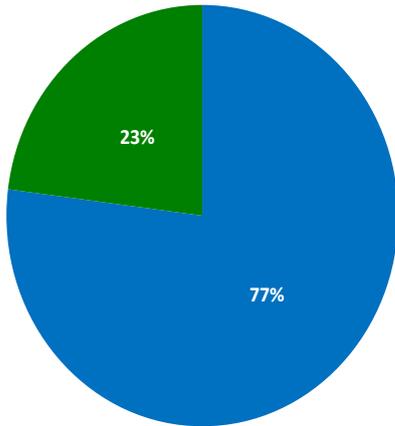
Dissection Room - Abdomen and Pelvis



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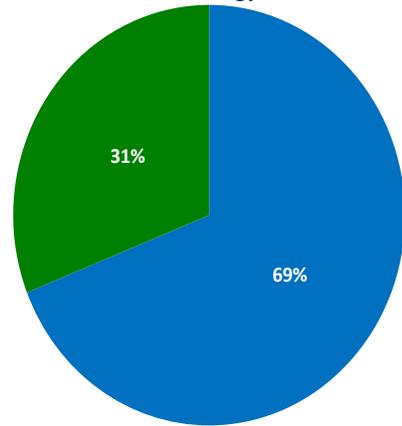
Overall Feedback

Dissection Room - Solid Organs



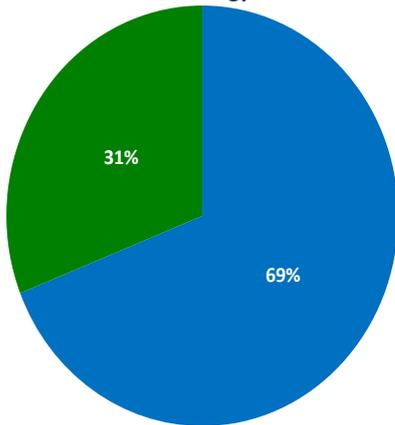
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Dissection Room - Upper Limb with Osteology



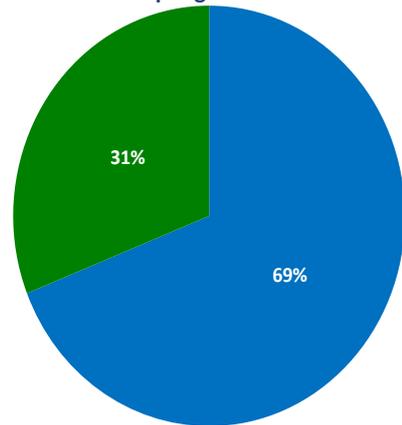
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Dissection Room - Lower Limb with Osteology



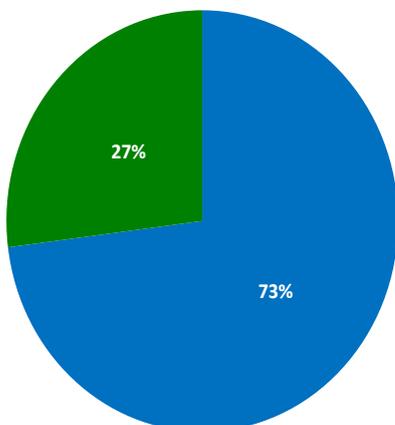
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Pathology – Dysphagia, Barrett's and Oesophageal Cancer



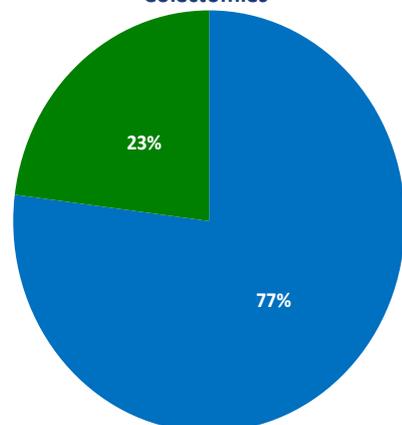
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Pathology – Inflammatory Bowel Diseases



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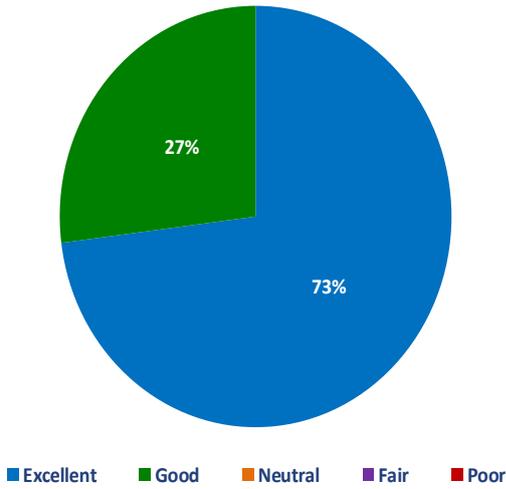
Pathology – Polyps, Colorectal Cancers and Colectomies



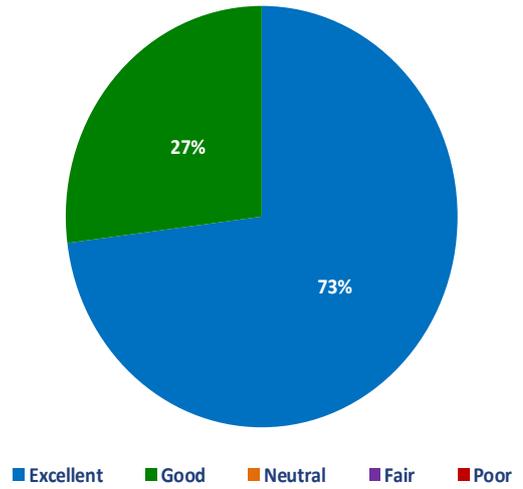
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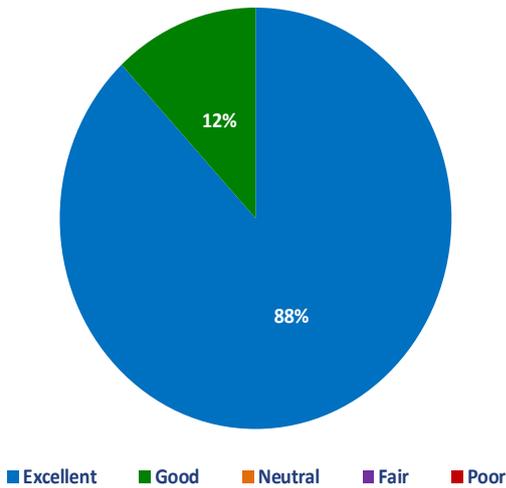
Pathology – Inguinoscrotal Swellings and Testicular Cancers



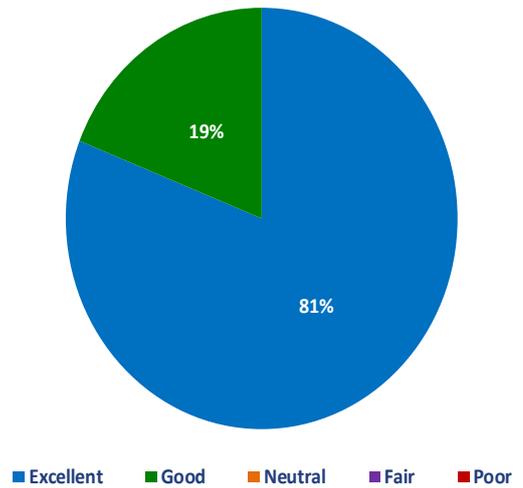
Pathology – Prostate Pathologies and Cancer



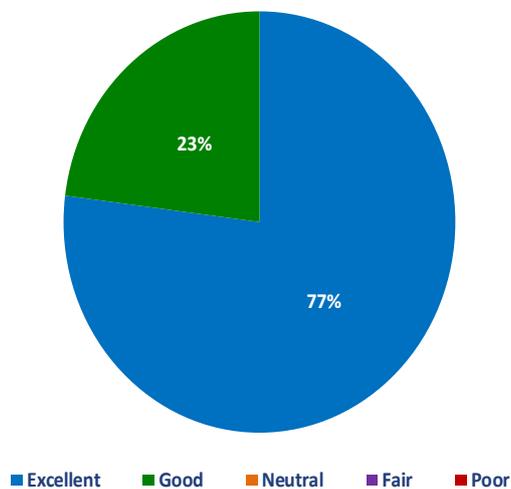
Pathology – Salivary Gland Swelling and Tumours



Pathology – Breast Pathologies and Cancers



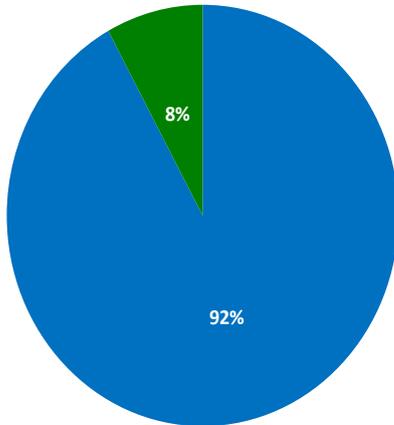
Pathology – Lung Cancer



Overall Feedback

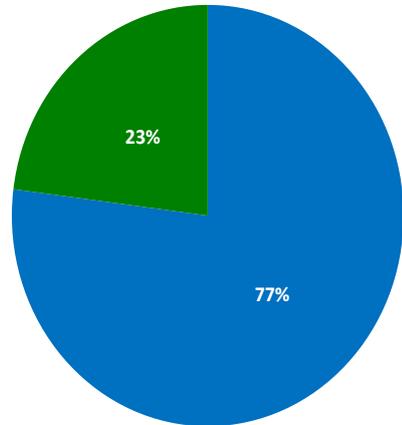
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Examination of the Cranial Nerves



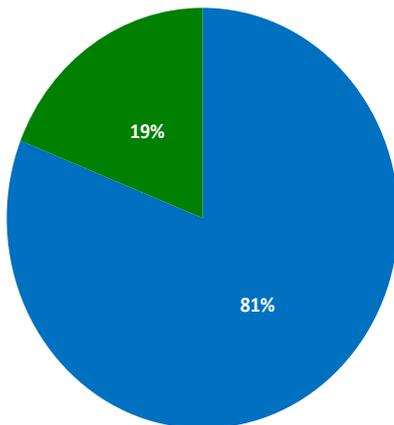
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Examination of the Abdomen



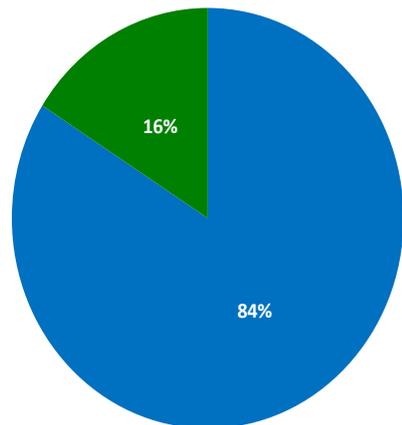
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Examination of the Hip and Knee



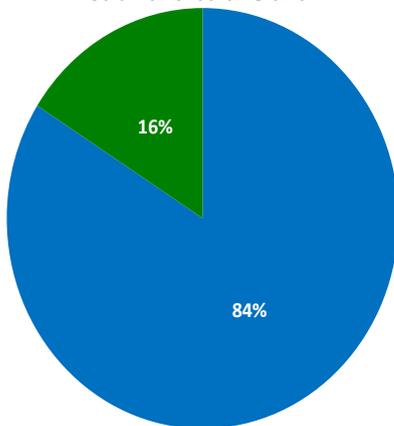
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Examination of the Shoulder and Back



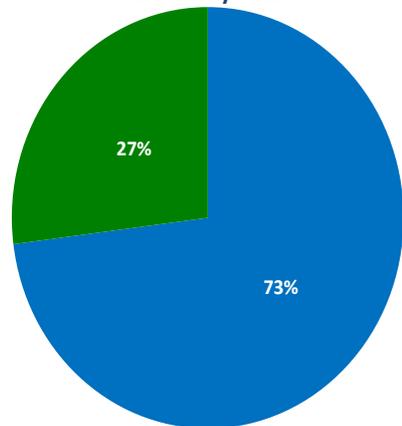
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Examination of Neck, Thyroid and Submandibular Gland



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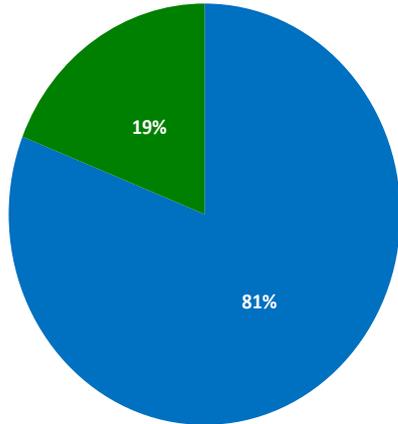
Examination of the Varicose Veins and Arterial System



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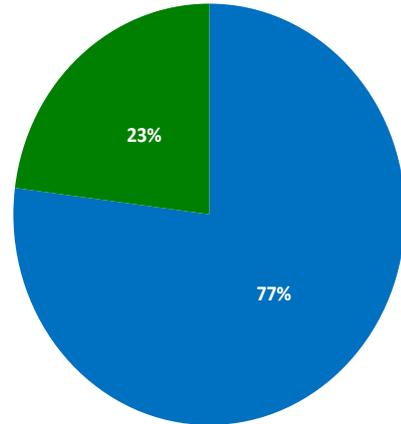
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Communication Skills - History Taking for a Breast Lump



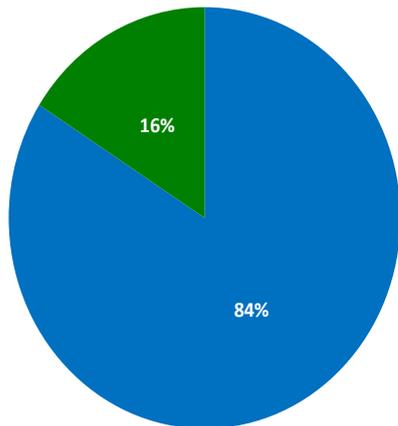
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Communication Skills - Information Giving for Breast Cancer



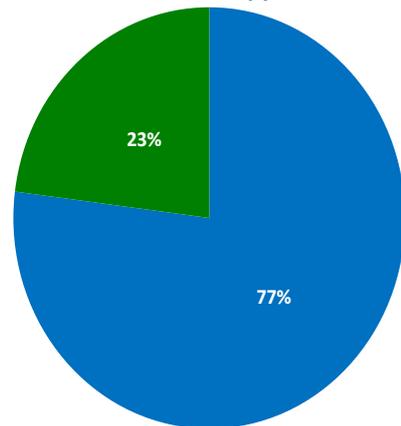
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Communication Skills - History Taking for Colorectal Cancer



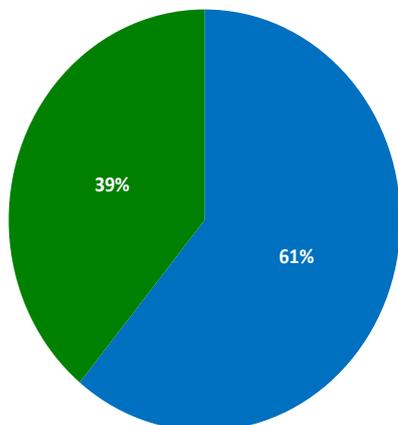
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Communication Skills - Consent for Colonoscopy



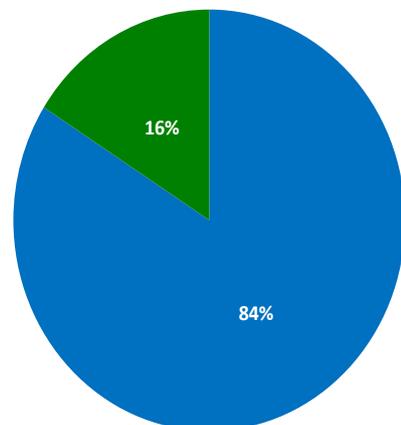
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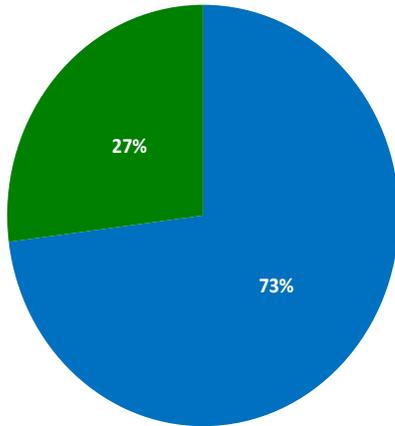
Communication Skills - Self Discharge



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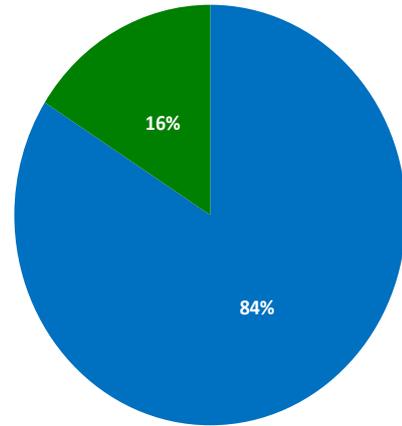
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Communication Skills - Cancelled Operation (Thyroidectomy)



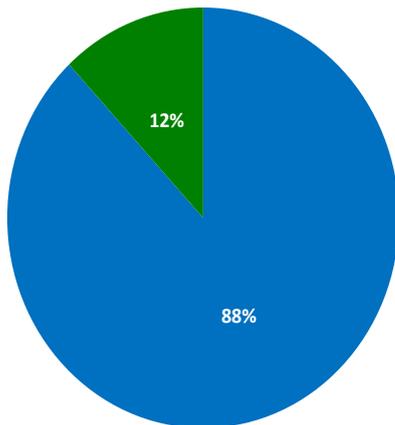
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Communication Skills - Back Pain (Metastatic Cancer)



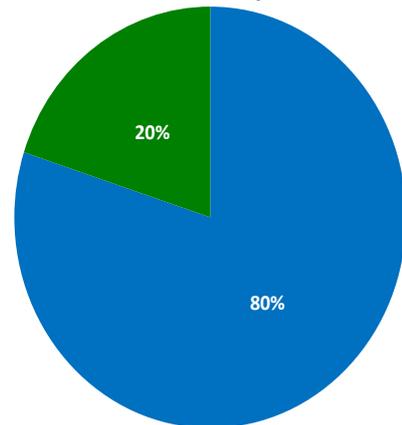
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Communication Skills - Acoustic Neuroma



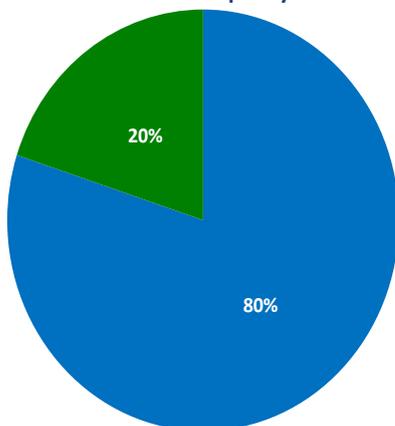
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Communication Skills - Consent for Fasciotomy



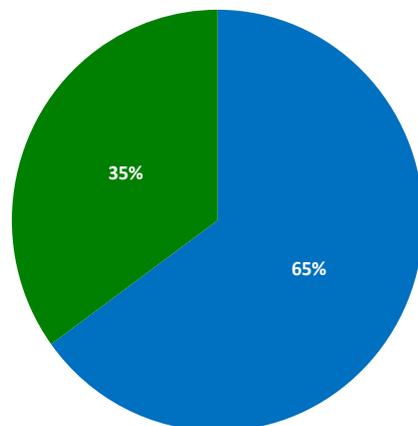
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Communication Skills - Assessment of Patient's Capacity



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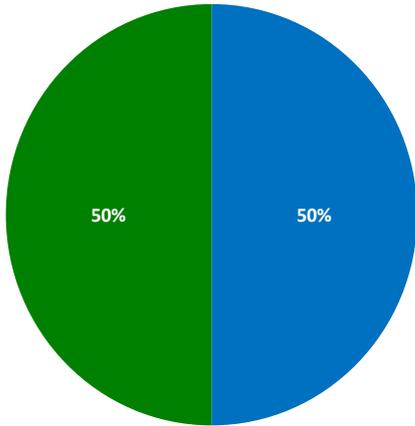
How were the facilities and venue?



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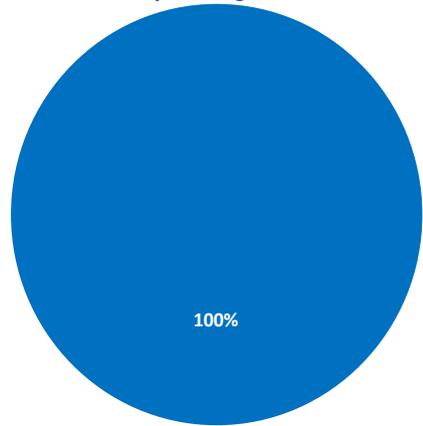
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How were the refreshments and lunch?



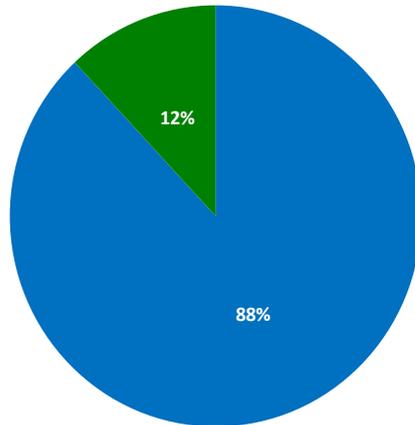
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How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



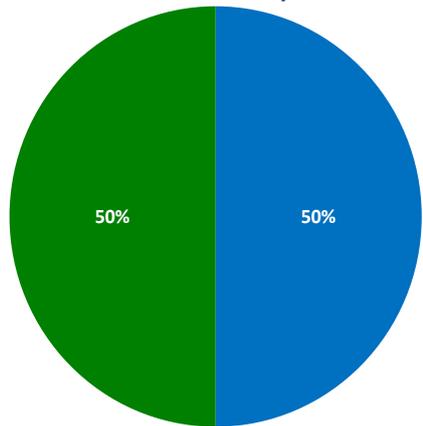
■ Very friendly ■ Friendly ■ Neutral ■ Not very friendly ■ Can't comment

Would you recommend this course to a friend?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

Individual Comments

Amazing course, excellent organisation. Prof. Enoch is an amazing teacher.

SB

Wrightington Wigan and Leigh NHS Teaching Hospitals, UK

Amazing.

MK

University Hospitals Coventry and Warwickshire NHS Trust, UK

Excellent.

NA

Weston General Hospital, Weston-super-Mare, UK

Good.

RB

Castle Hill Hospital, Cottingham, UK

Excellent course.

DS

North Bristol NHS Trust, UK

Very good.

AT

John Radcliffe Hospital, Headington, UK

The course was very intense, but filled with high-yield topics and information.

KR

Point Fortin Hospital, Trinidad and Tobago, UK

All relevant! Dr Enoch is amazing and his fabulous team!

SS

Nottingham University Hospitals, Nottingham, UK

Excellent.

SV

Kingston Hospital, Surrey, UK

Excellent and very thorough course covering several important topics. Greatly enjoyed the course.

WB

North Bristol NHS Trust, UK

Individual Comments

This course is very good! Having never done an OSCE in the UK, I feel that without this course I wouldn't stand a chance to pass this exam, but having done it, I now understand what things I need to focus on in the next few weeks leading up to the exam, and lots of tips and tricks for the day itself.

IP

James Cook Hospital, Middlesbrough, UK

Excellent course. Very well organised. I particularly enjoyed the anatomy dissection room and clinical examination teaching.

KQ

Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley, UK

Very good and relevant. Provided lots of very useful information for the exam.

AY

Raigmore Hospital, Scotland, UK

Incredible and very valuable, small teaching sessions were spot on.

AK

Sandwell and West Birmingham Hospitals NHS Trust, UK

Excellent course.

ZA

Alder Hey Children's Hospital, Liverpool, UK

Excellent course. Precise and compact. Relevant for the purpose of the exam.

AN

The Walton Centre, Liverpool, UK

It was a very concise overview of all the relevant topics and the best anatomy demonstration I have even been to!

MT

John Radcliffe Hospital, OUH NHS Trust, UK



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