

## **Graf Ultrasound Course: Two-Day Basic Course**

for the Diagnosis and Management of Dysplasia of the Infant Hip  
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**Feedback - September 2026**

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This well-established and hugely popular course, previously run in Dorchester for 25 years as the West Dorset Hip Course, was led by Professor Reinhard Graf, Professor of Orthopaedics at the University of Graz, Austria. The course comprised of a large number of experienced consultant faculty and aimed to provide the participants with a thorough understanding of the role of ultrasound in the diagnosis and management of Developmental Dysplasia of the Hip (previously known as Congenital Dislocation of the Hip). The course covered the theoretical knowledge and practical skills necessary to perform and interpret infant hip ultrasound examination, and the management based on the ultrasound findings. Aspects such as choice of equipment and setting up an ultrasound service were also covered.

### Course Information

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| <b>Course Date:</b> | <b>7<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> September 2026</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
| <b>Venue:</b>       | <b>Theoretical Component Held via Zoom (7<sup>th</sup> September 2026)</b><br><br><b>Practical Component Held at Rotunda Hospital, Dublin, Ireland (11<sup>th</sup> September 2026)</b>                                                                                                                                                |
| <b>Attendance:</b>  | <b>27 Delegates</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| <b>Aimed at:</b>    | <b>Midwives;<br/>Obstetric Nurses;<br/>Orthopaedic Surgeons;<br/>Paediatricians;<br/>Paediatric Surgeons;<br/>Physiotherapists;<br/>Radiographers;<br/>Radiologists;<br/>Sonographers;<br/>Speciality Nurses;<br/>Speciality Registrars and Trainees in any of the above disciplines;<br/>Surgical or Advanced Care Practitioners.</b> |
| <b>Course Fee:</b>  | <b>£485.00</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |



# Programme

**7<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

0900 Login to Zoom

0920 - 0930 Welcome and Introduction

0930 - 1010 Lecture 1 - Checklist 1: Anatomical Identification (Dr Joe O'Beirne)

1010 - 1030 Lecture 2 - Checklist 2: Usability Check (Dr Joe O'Beirne)

1030 - 1045 Questions and Group Practice

**1045 - 1100 Break**

1100 - 1150 Lecture 3 - Graf Types: Description/Eyeballing (Dr Ailbhe Tarrant)

1150 - 1230 Lecture 4 - Measurement and Classification (Dr Thara Persaud)

1230 - 1240 Questions

**1240 - 1340 Lunch Break**

1340 - 1400 Lecture 5 - Introduction to Ultrasound (Dr Ailbhe Tarrant)

1400 - 1420 Lecture 6 - Tilting Errors and Pitfalls (Dr Thara Persaud)

1420 - 1430 Questions

**1430 - 1445 Break**

1445 - 1500 Lecture 7 – Scanning Technique (Dr Ailbhe Tarrant)

1500 - 1520 Audit and Reporting (Dr Ailbhe Tarrant)

1520 - 1530 Questions

1530 - 1600 Summary/Close/Homework

1600 END OF DAY 1

# Programme

**11<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

0900 - 0915    Registration and Coffee

0915            Welcome and Introduction

0915 - 0945    Workshop 1: Anatomical Identification

0945 - 1015    Workshop 2: Usability Check

1015 - 1030    Scanning Demonstration

1030 - 1230    Small Group Sessions (with Refreshment Break)

**1230 - 1330                    Lunch (phantom station available for practice)**

1330 - 1345    Workshop 3: Types of Hip

1345 - 1400    Workshop 4: Measurement and Classification

1400 - 1415    Workshop 5: Tilting Errors

**1415 - 1445                    Refreshment Break**

1445 - 1615    Small Group Sessions

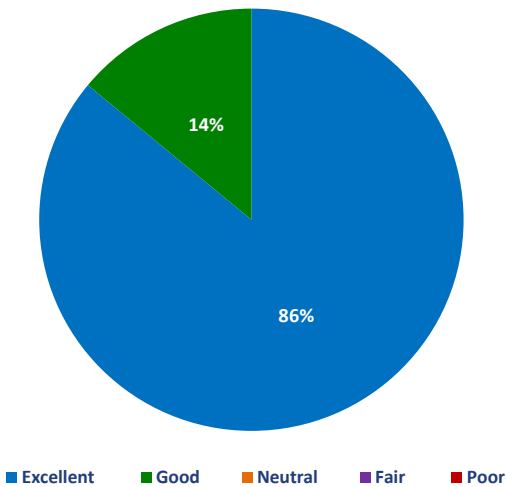
1615 - 1630    Reporting and Audit

1630 - 1700    Final Points and Questions

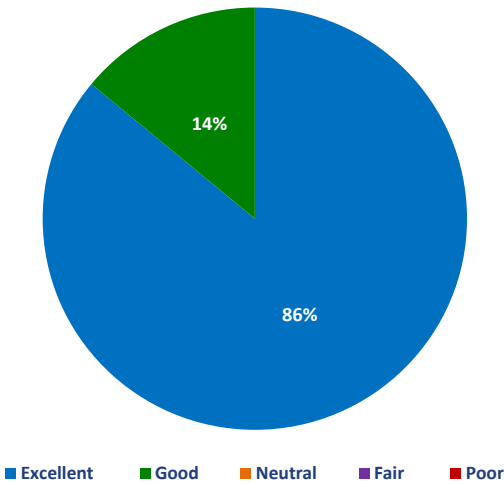
1700            End of Course

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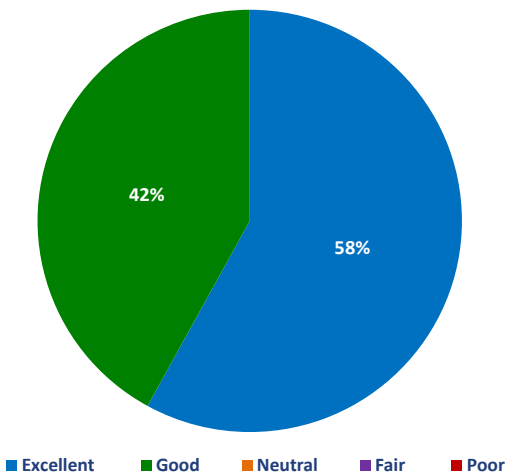
How was the clarity of the lectures?



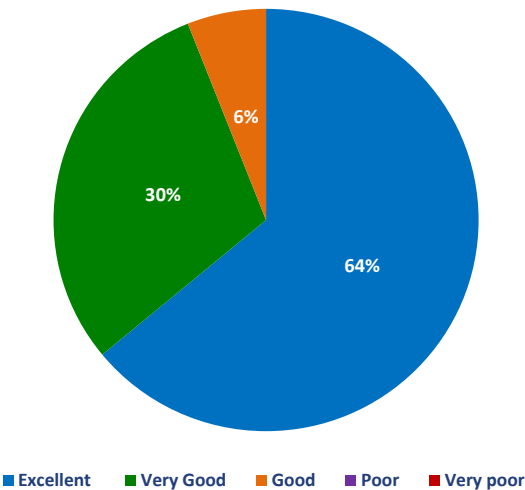
How would you rate the general academic standard of the tutors?



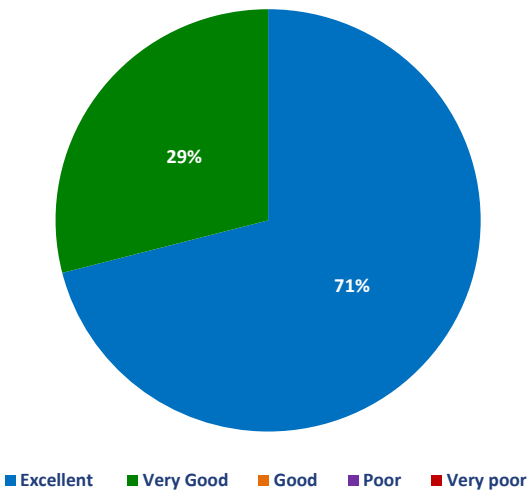
How do you rate the relevance of the course to your career?



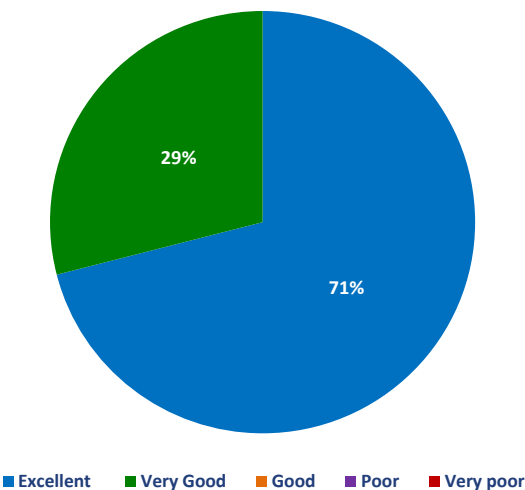
Checklist 1: Anatomical Identification



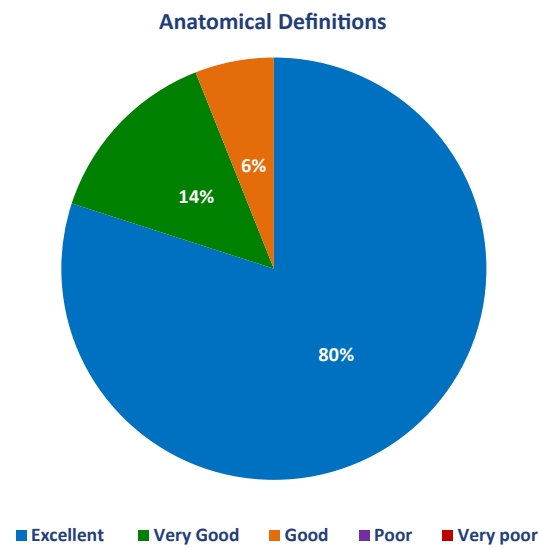
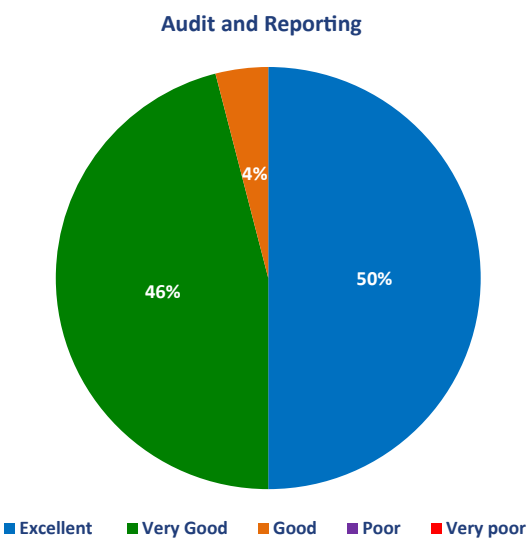
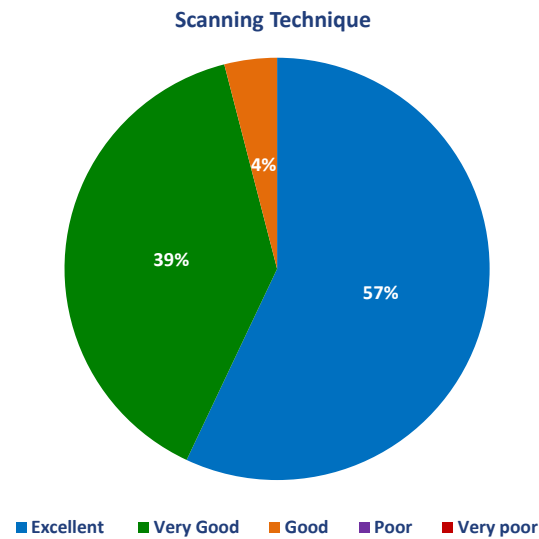
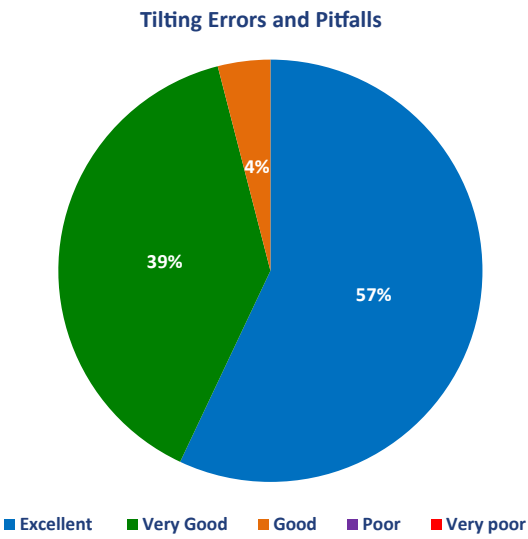
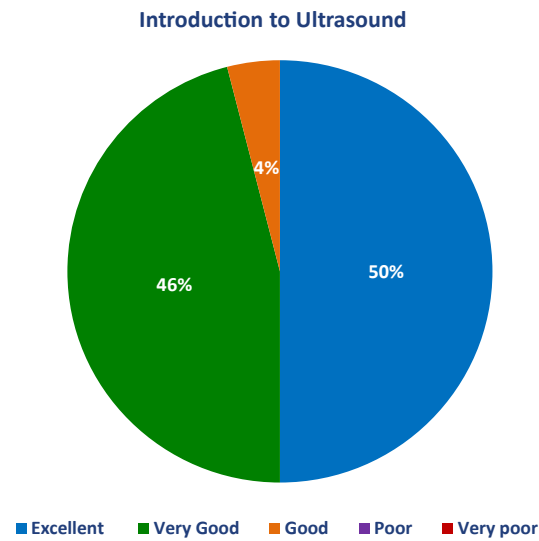
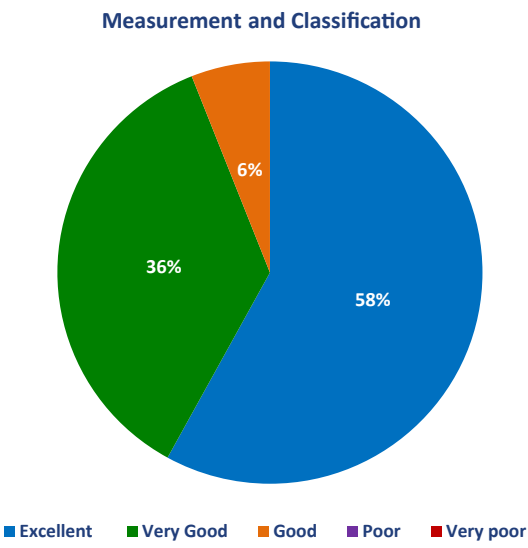
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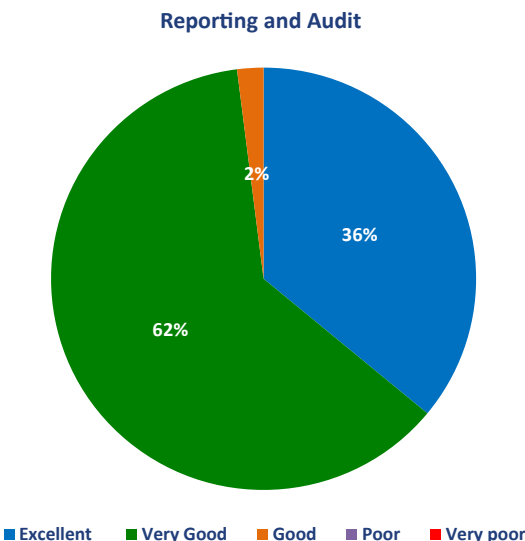
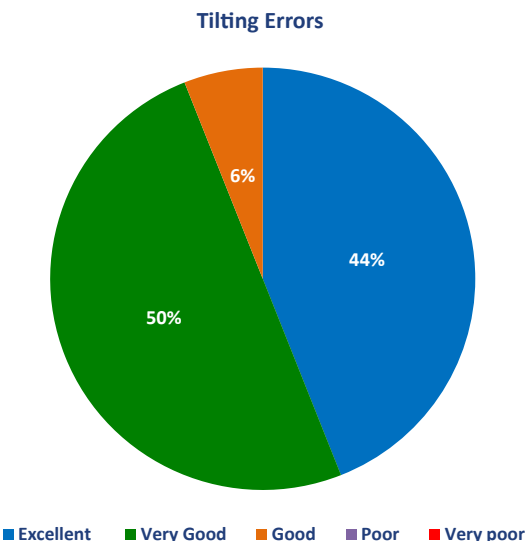
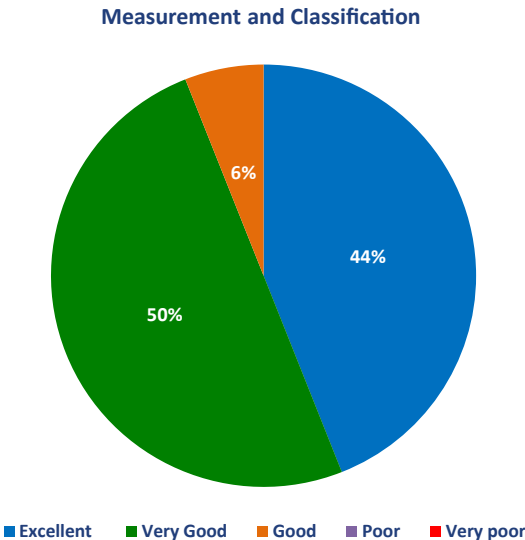
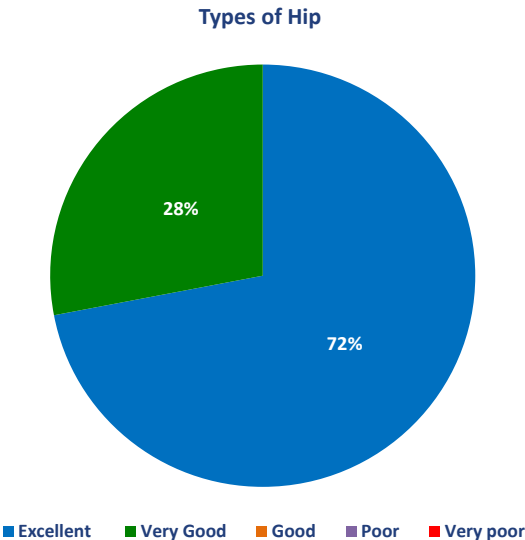
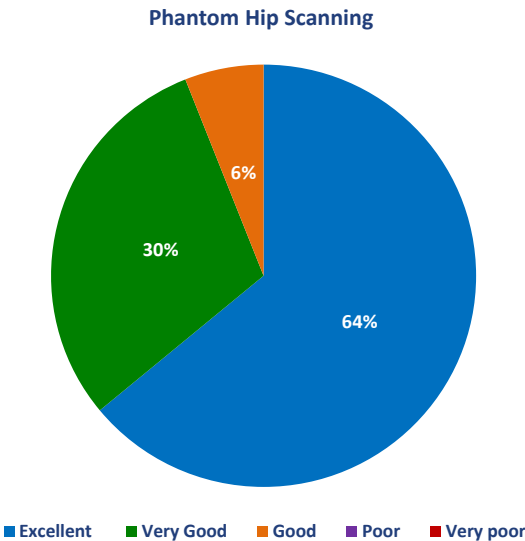
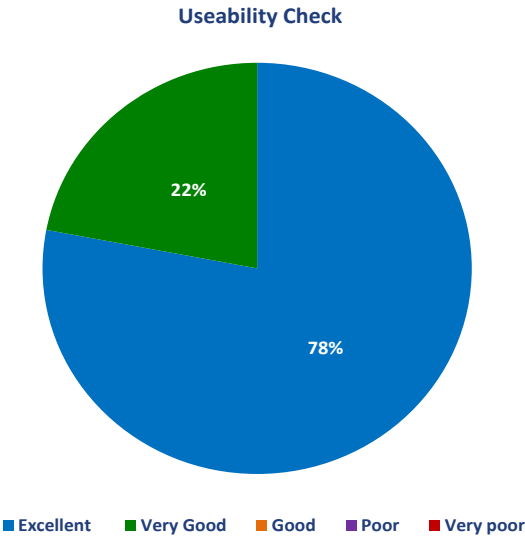
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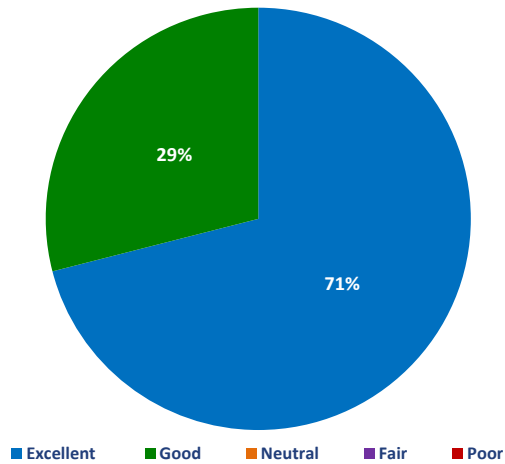


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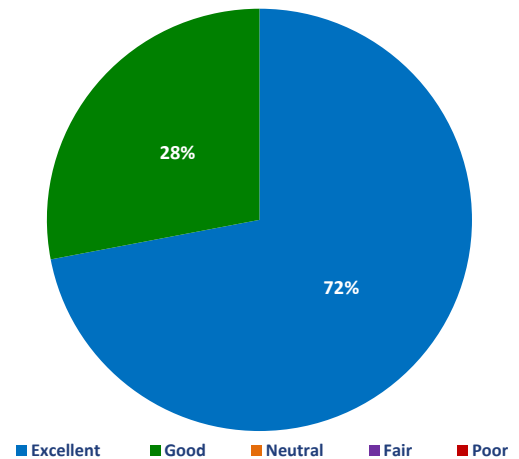


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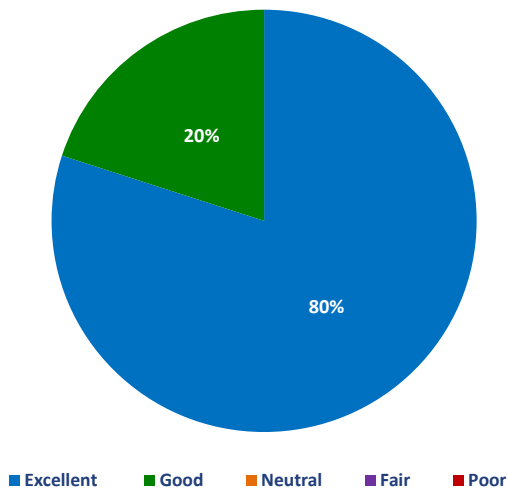
How would you rate the appropriateness of Zoom for the delivery of Day 1 of this course?



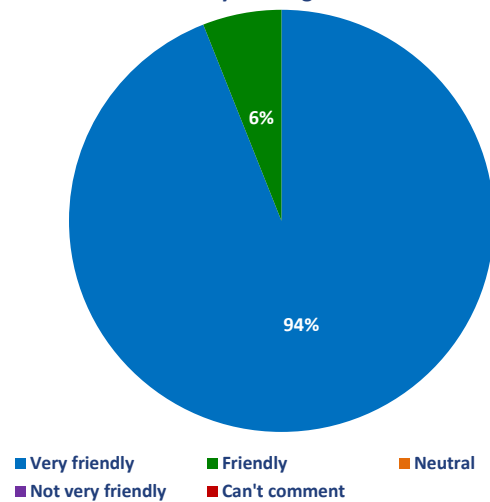
How were the facilities and venue for Day 2 of this course?



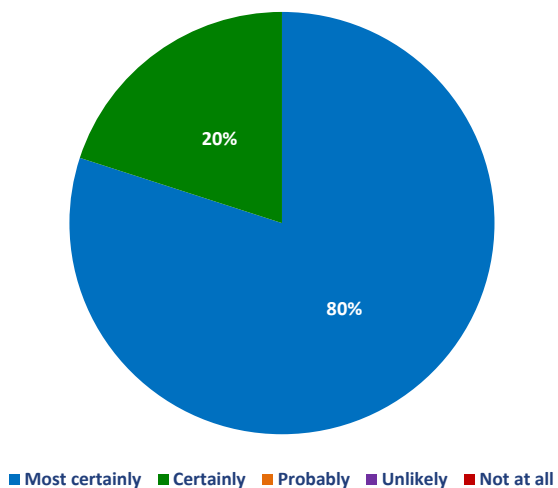
How were the refreshments and lunch?



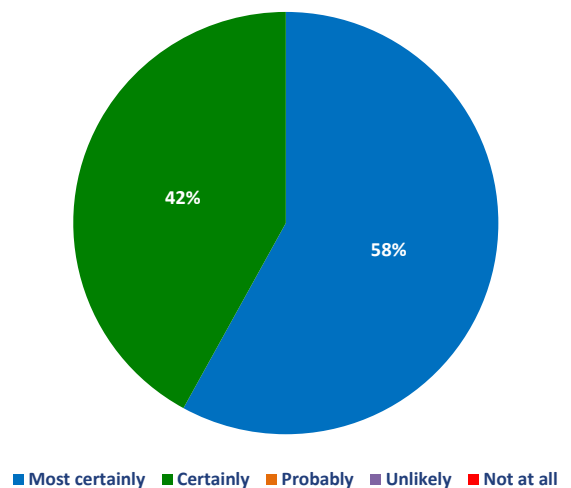
How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



Would you recommend this course to a friend?



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



## Individual Comments

Excellent course and facilitators went out of their way to provide instruction to all levels. Very approachable and all questions welcomed.

**NA**

Very structured and thorough teaching that would be very useful to my daily clinical work as a radiologist in a paediatric hospital.

**RM**

Relevant and applicable. Well taught.

**FP**

The course was very well organised, informative and I felt all the faculty members were enthusiastic and passionate about the topic. I feel very confident to start scanning in my department with what I have learned. Thank you!

**GN**

This course was excellent. It was very relevant, as I am DDH CNS. Although at present I am not involved with caring for Babies in Pavliks or those having regular USS, the course gave me a better understanding of reading USS. I found the faculty excellent in their deliverance of all information. I found all faculty members so friendly. They made it a very comfortable day to be able to ask questions and comfortable to ask for re explanations. To have the opportunity to practice with the USS, was great. I would definitely recommend this course to other colleagues. I would rate this course 5 star. Thank You very much to all involved in organising the course and to all Faculty Members.

**CH**

The speakers were all knowledgeable and thought us in a way that different levels of understanding will be able to follow. The venue is great, there was enough room during breakout periods and we had fantastic lunch break on the 2nd day. star rating on this course is 5 star.

**MH**

Overall teaching methodology was impressive.

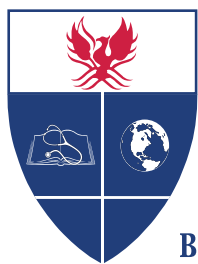
**MS**

A very dynamic course. Perfect for learning. One of the best courses I've ever done.

**AP**

Very relevant to my field.

**CM**



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