



**Cardiff MRCS Course: Intensive
Preparatory Course for MRCS OSCE**

Feedback - September 2020

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This two-day intensive preparatory course was specifically designed for candidates appearing for the MRCS exam in February 2021 (13 OSCE stations). In addition to providing a summary revision of the core areas in the knowledge component of the exam, the course included practice of hands-on practical skills, clinical examination skills and communication skills.

This attendance course was delivered to a small group of delegates and complied with the Health Authority and Government guidelines for social distancing and other appropriate measures.

Course Information

Venue:	College of Physicians and Surgeons of Cardiff, Frazer Building, 126 Bute Street, Cardiff Bay, Cardiff
Dates:	26th and 27th September 2020
Attendance:	32 Delegates
Aimed at:	Candidates Preparing for the MRCS OSCE Examination
Course Fee:	£465.00



Faculty List

Tutors

Miss Aleksandra Staniszewska, BMedSci, MBChB, MRCS, FHEA

Speciality Trainee in Vascular Surgery
Royal Liverpool and Broadgreen University Hospitals NHS Trust

Miss Florentina Popescu, MD, MRCS

Cardiopulmonary Transplant Fellow
Queen Elizabeth Hospital, Birmingham

Miss Francesca Solari, MBChB, MRCS

Speciality Trainee in Trauma and Orthopaedics
Morrison Hospital, Swansea

Mr Joseph Merola, MRCS (Eng)

Clinical Fellow in Neurosurgery
University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff

Mr Naveen Mathai, MBBS, MS, DNB, MRCS (Eng), FRCS (JSCFE)

Speciality Registrar and Senior Clinical Fellow
University Hospital of Wales, Cardiff

Mr Vipul Garg, MBBS, MS, MRCS

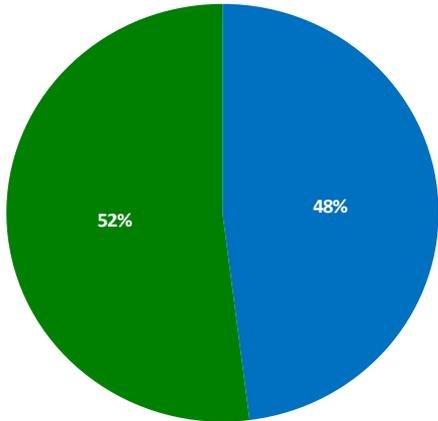
Speciality Doctor in Orthopaedic Surgery
Wrexham Maelor Hospital, Wrexham

Mr Vishesh Khanna, MBBS, DNB, Dip SICOT, MRCS (Glasg)

Clinical Research Fellow in Orthopaedics
Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust

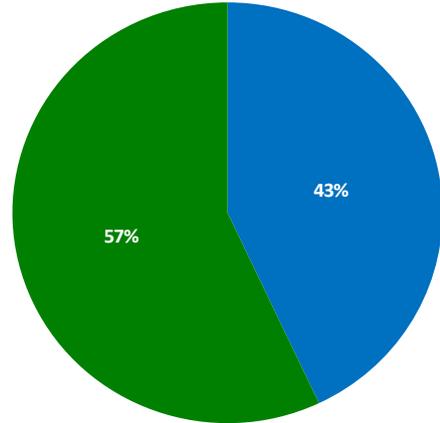
Overall Feedback

How was the clarity of the demonstrations?



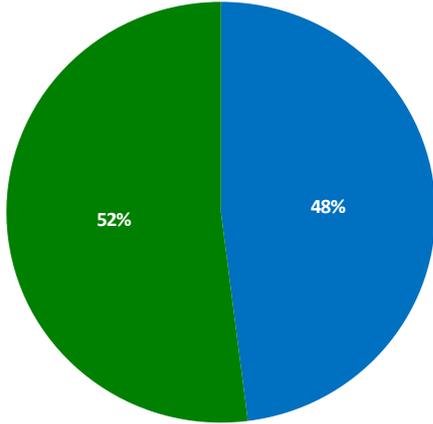
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How would you rate the general academic standard of the demonstrators?



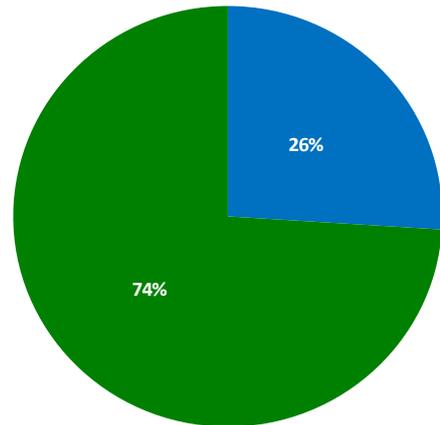
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How do you rate the relevance of the course to your exam?



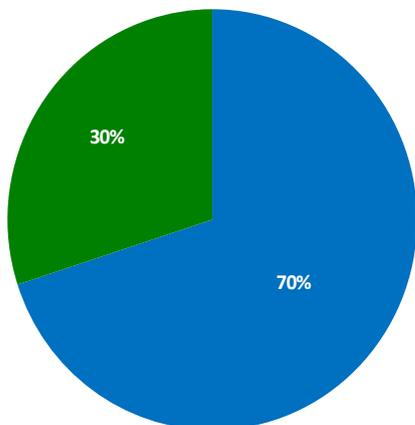
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Did you get sufficient chance to practice the stations?



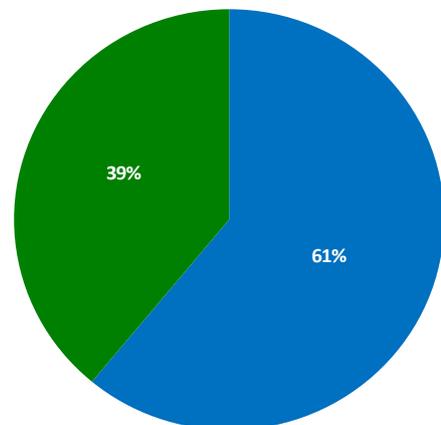
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Knot Tying



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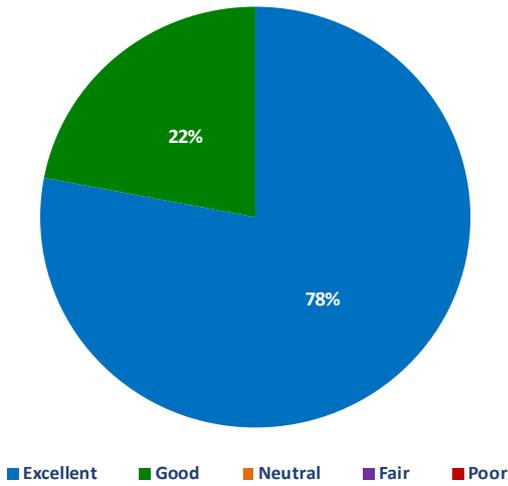
Suturing Techniques



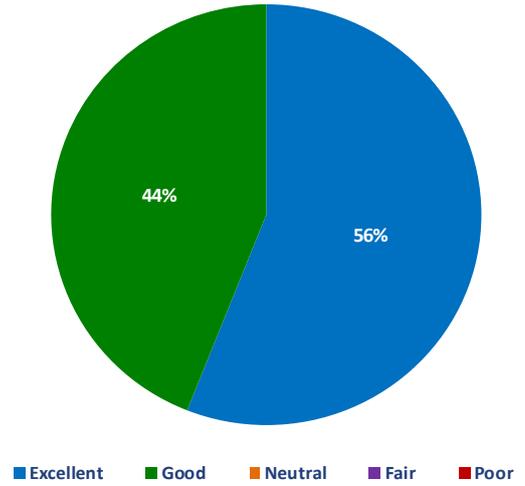
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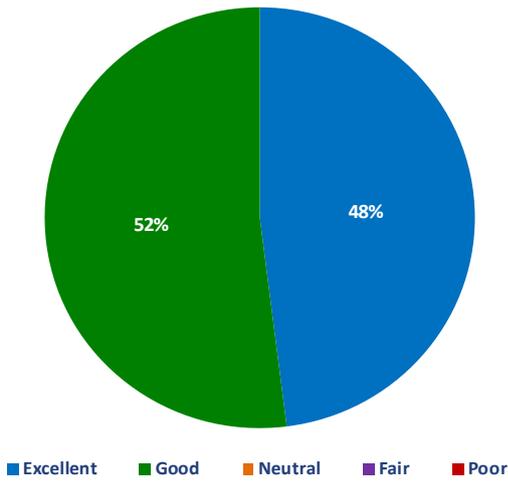
Excision of a Lesion



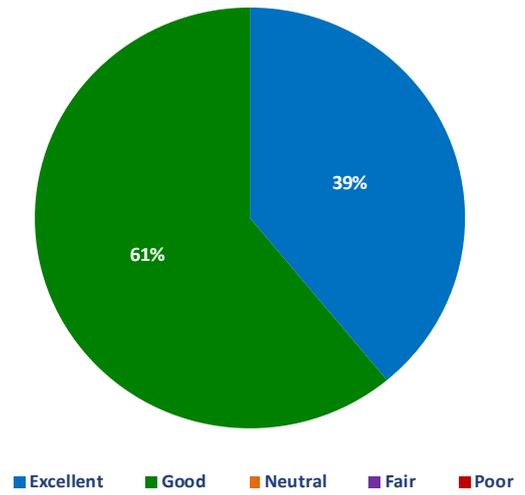
Chest Drain Insertion and Thoracic Trauma (discussion)



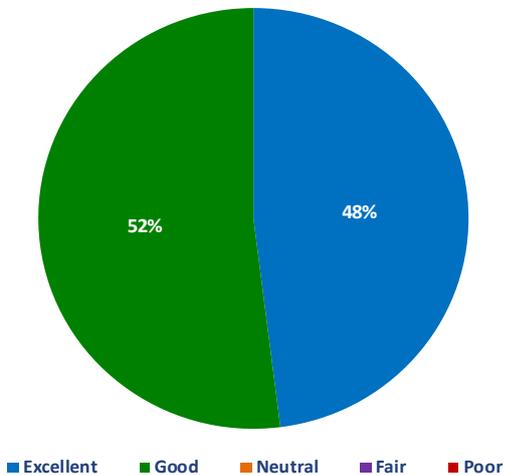
Debridement of a Contaminated Wound



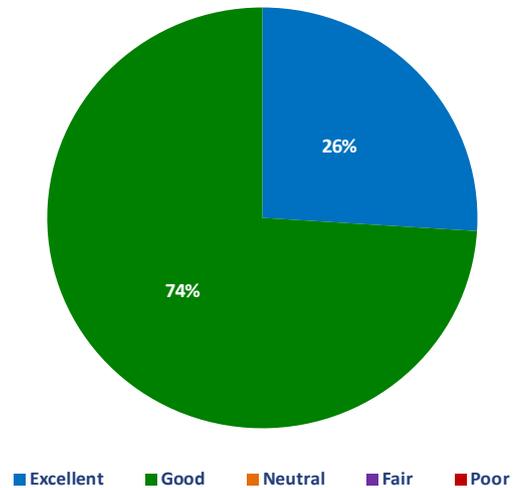
Fine Needle Aspiration Cytology



Lumbar Puncture (discussion)

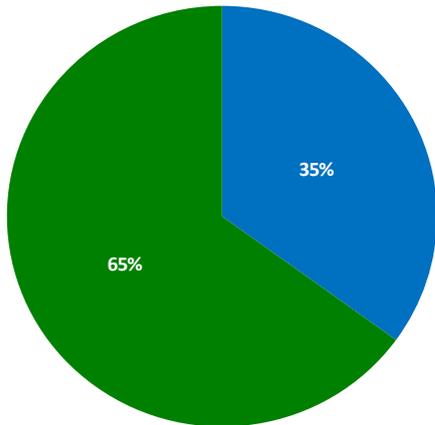


Venepuncture of High Risk Patient



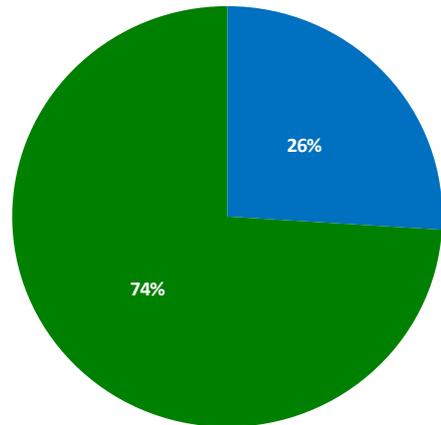
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Arterial Blood Gas Interpretation



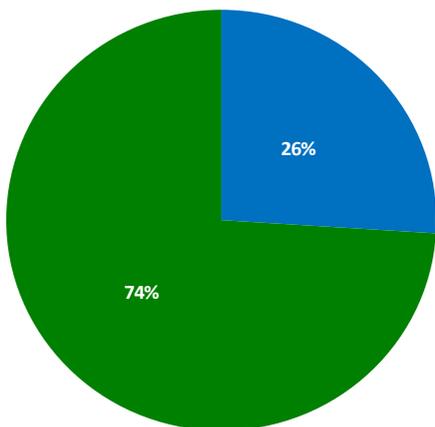
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Male Urinary Catheterisation



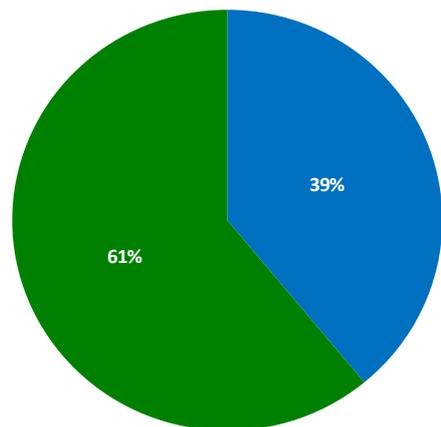
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Pelvic Trauma (discussion)



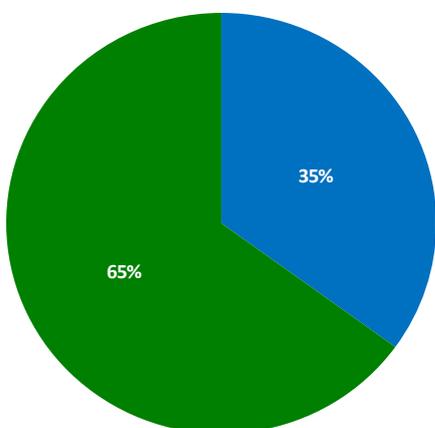
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Sutures and Needles (lecture/basics)



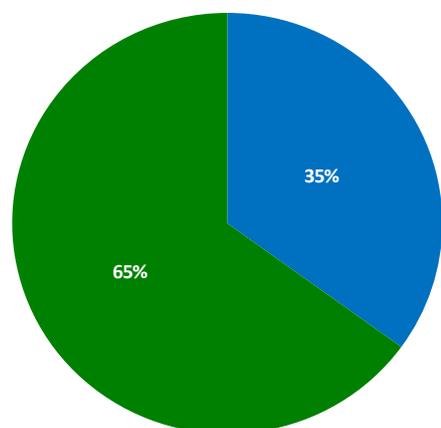
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Management of Burns (discussion)



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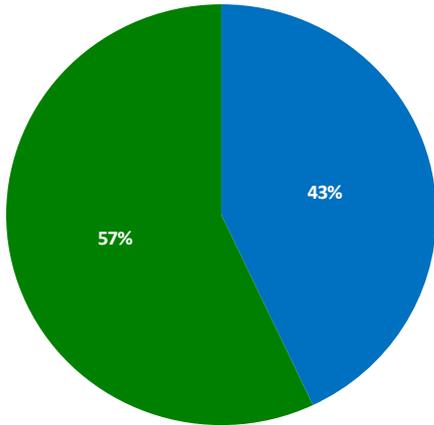
Wound Healing, Reconstruction and Local Anaesthesia (discussion)



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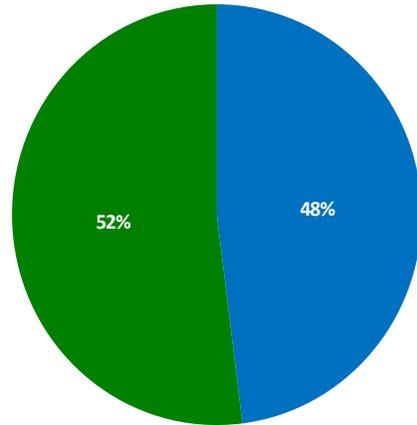
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Malignant Melanoma (discussion)



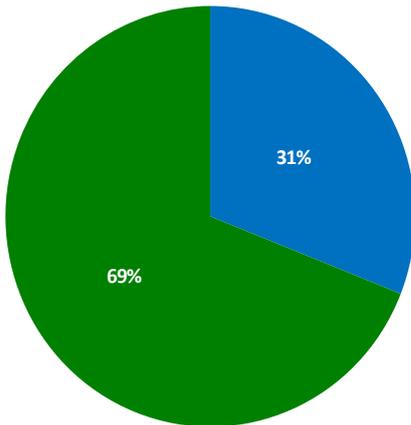
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Would you recommend this course to a friend?



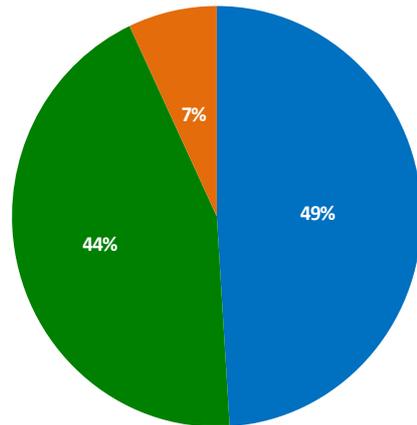
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Probably ■ Unlikely ■ Not at all

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



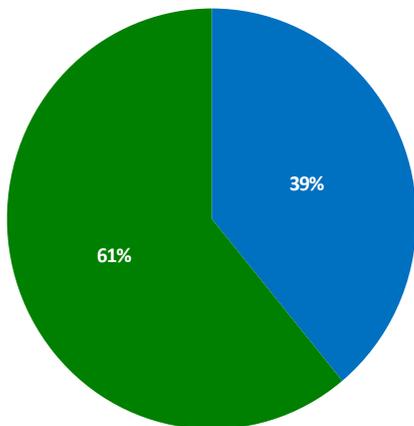
■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ May be ■ Not at all

How was the content of the course?



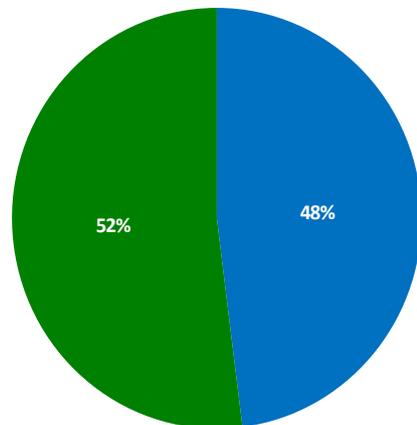
■ Excellent ■ Very Good ■ Good ■ Poor ■ Very Bad

How was the clarity of demonstrations?



■ Excellent ■ Very Good ■ Good ■ Poor ■ Very Bad

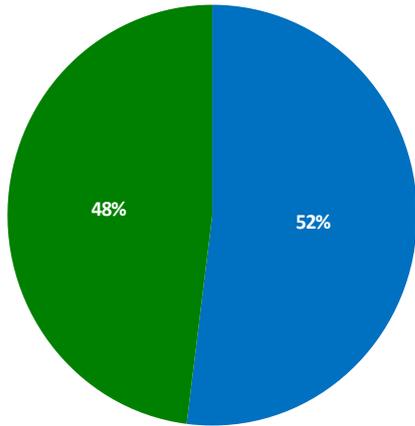
Did you get sufficient time to learn in every station?



■ Excellent ■ Very Good ■ Good ■ Poor ■ Very Bad

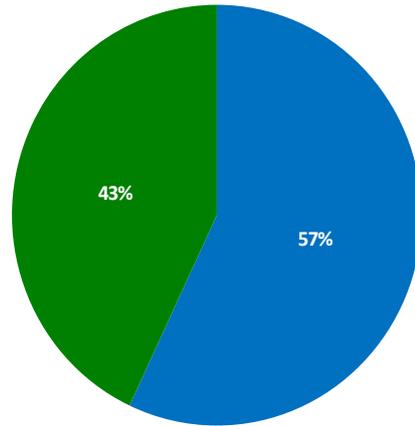
Overall Feedback

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



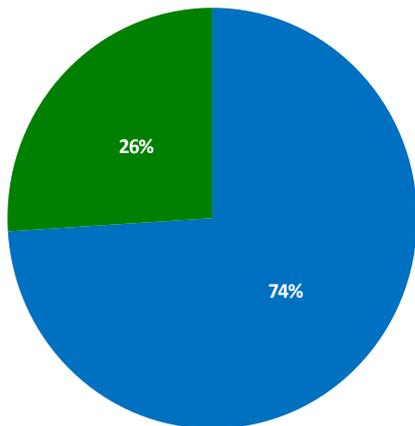
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Vascular (venous and arterial)



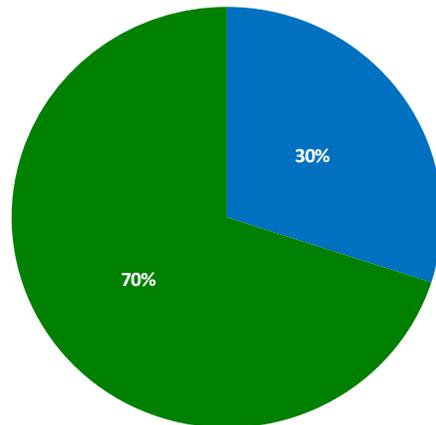
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Cranial Nerves



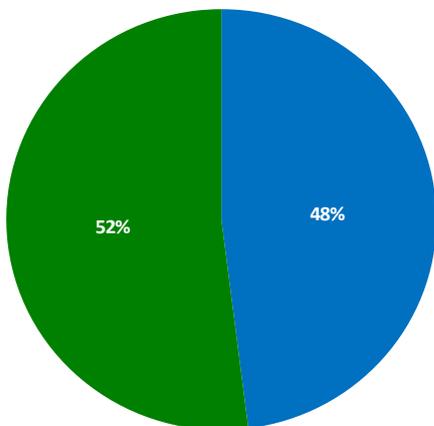
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Cardiorespiratory System



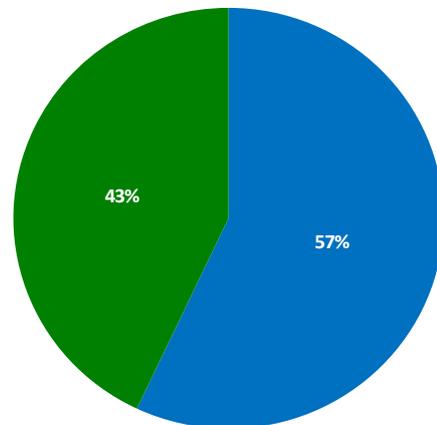
■ Extremely useful ■ Very useful ■ Useful
■ Reasonably useful ■ Not useful

Abdomen



■ Extremely useful ■ Very useful ■ Useful
■ Reasonably useful ■ Not useful

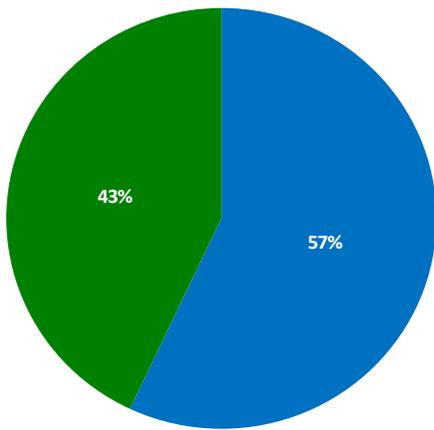
Hip



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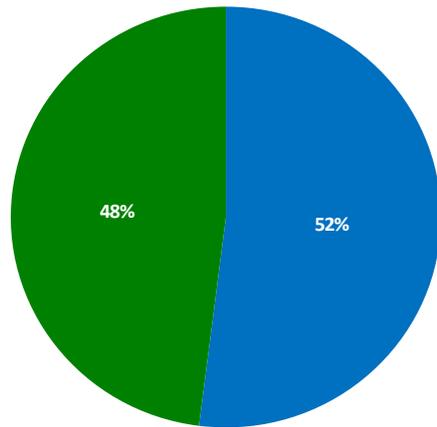
Overall Feedback

Knee



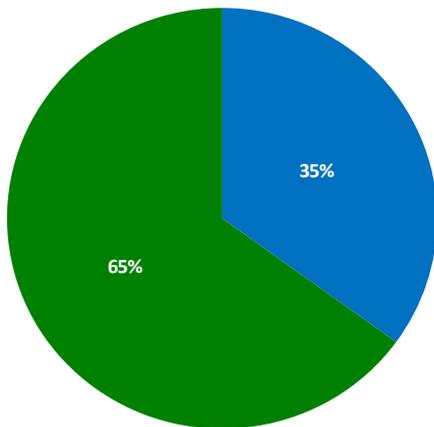
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Shoulder



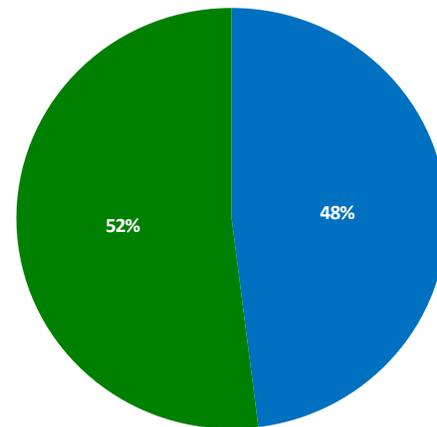
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Back



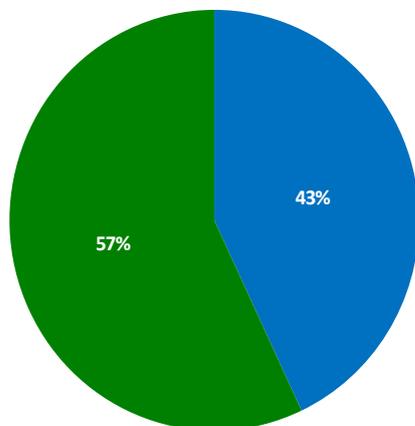
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History Taking for Breast Lump



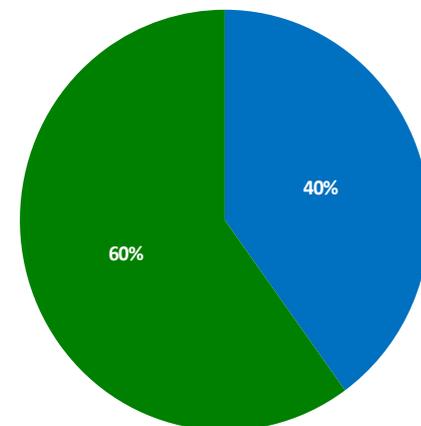
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Consenting for Total Hip Replacement



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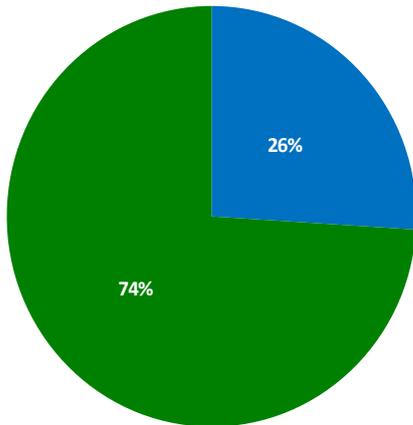
Carcinoid Syndrome



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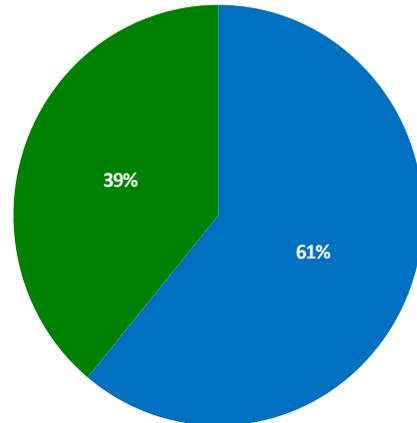
Overall Feedback

Consenting for Cerebral Angiogram



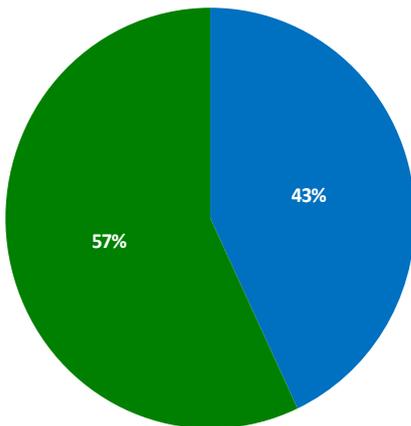
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Breaking Bad News on Brain Tumour (Glioblastoma Multiforme)



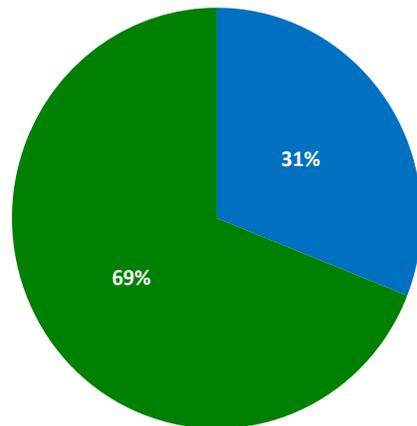
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Cancelled Operation



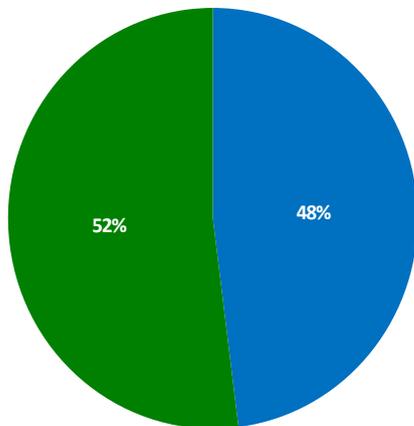
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History Taking for PR Bleed and Colorectal Cancer



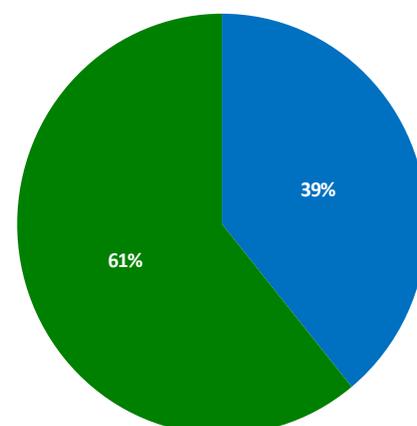
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Would you recommend this course to a friend?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ Probably ■ No way

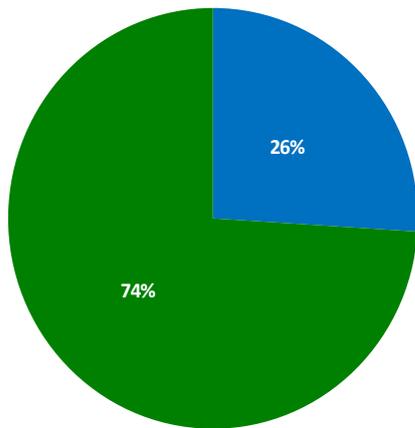
Do you think that this course provided good value for money?



■ Most certainly ■ Certainly ■ Neutral ■ Maybe ■ Don't think so

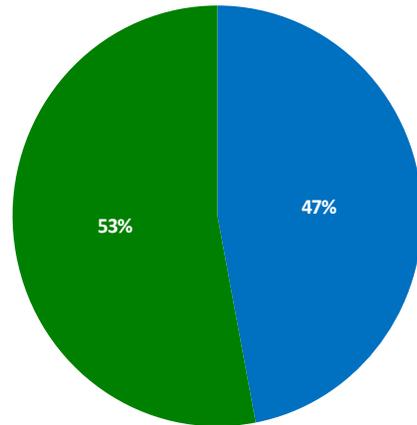
Overall Feedback

How were the facilities and venue?



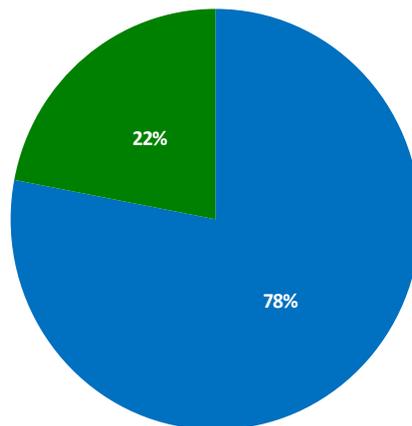
■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Neutral ■ Fair ■ Poor

How were the refreshments and lunch?



■ Excellent ■ Good ■ Neutral ■ Fair ■ Poor

How was the general friendliness of the faculty and organisers?



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

Individual Comments

Prof Enoch is excellent.

HC
Royal Liverpool University Hospital

Very good.

NB
Diana Princess of Wales Hospital, Grimsby

Very good. Hopefully has put me in good stead to pass the exam.

VG
Huddersfield Royal Infirmary, Huddersfield, United Kingdom

Very good course with useful hints and tips.

EB
Morrison Hospital, Swansea

Excellent.

JW
University Hospital of North Staffordshire NHS Trust, United Kingdom

Brilliant.

MA

Intense course just what I needed before my exams.

AS
Kingston Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Very useful, well executed.

JR
Alder Hey Children's Hospital

Very helpful and gave me confidence.

JC
Liverpool University Hospitals

Good revision course with emphasis on practical aspects of the exam.

AK
Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust Hope Hospital, United Kingdom

Individual Comments

A brilliant course.

KL
Southmead

Excellent.

DW
Norfolk and Norwich University Hospital

Good.

SK
Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Trust, United Kingdom

Good.

BD
Milton Keynes University Hospital, Eaglestone, United Kingdom



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