Overview

In 2019, AAMC conducted a national sample survey of practicing physicians in the United States. The sample was stratified by age, sex* and specialty group. The survey was comprehensive in the scope of its content. This slide deck provides a summary of that content. For more information, please contact workforce@aamc.org.

* The data source used for the sampling frame only included sex as a binary variable. The categorization of sampled respondents was limited accordingly.
AAMC NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY OF PHYSICIANS, 2019:
DEMOGRAPHICS

Basic Demographics
- Age
- Where grew up (urban, rural or suburban)
- Veteran status
- Languages spoken (& w/ patients)
- Sex
- Gender identity
- Sexual orientation
- Race/ethnicity

Training
- Medical school location
- Degree type (MD or DO)
- Residency state
- When complete training

Family
- Relationship status
- Length of relationship
- Spouse/partner education
- Spouse/partner physician
- Spouse/partner labor force participation
- Children - number, living arrangements, ages

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AAMC NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY OF PHYSICIANS, 2019:
ACADEMIC AFFILIATIONS & CME

**Academic Affiliations**
- Faculty appointment
- Appointment type (FT, PT, affiliated, emeritus)
- Faculty position (Professor, associate, assistant, etc.)
- Appointment activities (teaching, research, patient care)
- Institution type (MD or DO granting)
- AHC/AMC affiliation
- AHC/AMC location (US, Canada, other)

**CME**
- CME activities past 12 months
- Which CME activities most useful
- Satisfaction with ability to stay current
AAMC NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY OF PHYSICIANS, 2019:
WORK TIME

Work schedule
- Weeks worked
- Hours worked
- Time on call
- Type of time on call (in house or at home)

Time allocation
- Time allocation (patient care, teaching, research, admin.)
- Patient care time allocation (in-person, phone, documentation, communicating with insurers, video, email, etc.)
- Research types (clinical, lab, public health)
AAMC NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY OF PHYSICIANS, 2019:
RETIREMENT PLANS

General plans
• Overall trajectory (carry on, reduce hours, etc.)
• Age plan to stop working
• Age plan to reduce hours
• Plans to reduce patient care time

Post-retirement
• Post-retirement plan (volunteer, not work, uncertain)
• Volunteer time allocation (patient care, teaching, research, admin.)
• Patient care time (FT or PT)
AAMC NATIONAL SAMPLE SURVEY OF PHYSICIANS, 2019: PRACTICE CHARACTERISTICS

General characteristics
• Specialty
• Board certification
• Employment arrangement (employee, private practice, locum tenens)
• Employer type (medical school, teaching hospital, non-teaching hospital, physician group, government, etc.)
• Work setting allocation (OP, IP, urgent care, ED, LTC)
• Workplace location (zips)

Location decisions
• Length of time in current location
• Reasons for selecting location
• First practice location
• Length of time in first practice location
• Reasons for selecting first practice location
Telehealth

- Types used in patient care (patient portal, eConsults, video visits, remote patient monitoring)
- Perceptions of telehealth impact in practice (quality, efficiency, capacity)
- Openness to using more telehealth
- Reasons not open to telehealth (discomfort, lack of employer support, inadequate reimbursement, etc.)
General well-being

- Health status
- Disability status
- Burnout
- Satisfaction (career, specialty, income, patient interactions, work-life balance)

Discrimination & harassment

- Experiences & witnessing of physical threats and harm from co-workers & patients
- Experiences & witnessing of unwanted sexual advances from co-workers & patients
- Experiences & witnessing of offensive remarks from co-workers & patients
Debt

- Took out loans
- Size of loans
- Repayment status
- Amount left
- Years left
- Length of time to repay
- Assessment of loans as investment