In 2022, we asked all members of the network to reapply in order to update practice resources. About half of the respondents were women and 80% were over age 46; 60% had been with their doctor for 20 years or more. Most (76%) of the respondents were women and 80% were over age 46; 60% had been with their doctor for 20 years or more. The majority of respondents reported feeling satisfied with their doctor, with 76% of patients indicating they would recommend their doctor to others.

Patients were also given an opportunity to provide remarks. Responding to questions about their overall experience, patients described their doctors as knowledgeable, caring, and attentive. Patients also reported feeling comfortable discussing their concerns with their doctors. In some cases, patients felt that their doctors did not spend enough time with them or did not answer all of their questions. However, the majority of patients were satisfied with the care they received and felt that their doctors were able to address their needs.

The survey also explored patients' views on specific aspects of their care, such as the timing of appointments and the availability of follow-up appointments. Patients reported that they appreciated being able to schedule appointments in advance and that their doctors were available to see them when they needed them. The survey also asked patients about their satisfaction with their doctors' communication skills. Patients reported that their doctors were able to explain test results and treatment options clearly and effectively.

However, the survey also revealed that some patients felt that their doctors did not fix what needed to be fixed. In some cases, patients felt that their doctors did not explain their options clearly or did not provide enough information about their condition. As a result, some patients felt that they were not able to make informed decisions about their care.

In conclusion, the survey results indicate that most patients were satisfied with the care they received from their doctors. However, some patients did report areas for improvement, such as the need for more time with their doctors and clearer explanations of test results and treatment options. Overall, the survey provides valuable information that can be used to improve the quality of care that patients receive.

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