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Results from the CMA's 2002 Physician Resource Questionnaire

Perceived importance of potential benefit of EHRs

Proportion of physicians who rated each of the following potential benefits of EHRs as very or somewhat important

	Overall	Female	Male	< 35	35 - 44	45 - 54	55 - 64	65+	GP/FP	Med Spec	Surg Spec	Rural	Urban
Number of respondents	2882	912	1970	247	835	956	608	236	1484	1018	380	206	2676
Improve patient satisfaction	37.0%	37.3%	36.9%	49.0%	41.2%	36.5%	31.3%	27.1%	36.5%	38.8%	34.5%	37.9%	37.0%
Improve patient safety	55.4%	56.9%	54.8%	72.1%	62.5%	55.9%	45.9%	35.6%	56.4%	57.0%	47.1%	50.9%	55.8%
Facilitate clinical decision support	58.5%	57.7%	58.8%	72.1%	64.0%	60.8%	49.2%	39.4%	58.8%	61.7%	48.5%	59.7%	58.5%
Improve the ability to share patient record information among healthcare providers	76.1%	77.4%	75.6%	87.8%	84.5%	77.8%	65.1%	56.8%	76.8%	76.8%	71.8%	76.3%	76.1%
Improve clinical processes or workflow efficiency	68.0%	67.9%	68.2%	86.6%	73.5%	70.3%	58.3%	45.7%	66.9%	71.0%	64.8%	66.0%	68.3%
Improve quality of care	59.3%	59.6%	59.3%	74.9%	64.5%	62.0%	49.0%	40.7%	59.0%	62.0%	53.2%	55.4%	59.7%
Improve continuity of care	68.4%	70.8%	67.2%	83.8%	74.7%	70.6%	58.4%	45.7%	67.7%	70.5%	64.7%	65.5%	68.6%