

## National Physician Survey, 2007: Results for Medical Students

**Q24. The following statements address the role of alternative/ complementary medicine in health services. Please indicate the category which best describes your opinion for each of the following:**

		Year of medical school study			
		1st year or année préparatoire n=897	2nd year n=781	3rd or 4th year n=1109	All students n = 2819
		%	%	%	%
Alternative/ complementary medicine includes ideas and methods from which conventional medicine could benefit	Strongly agree	20.1%	18.6%	16.6%	18.2%
	Agree	51.4%	51.9%	52.0%	51.9%
	Neutral	19.6%	19.5%	23.0%	20.9%
	Disagree	3.1%	3.5%	3.7%	3.4%
	Strongly disagree	.9%	1.3%	.8%	1.0%
	NR	4.9%	5.4%	3.9%	4.6%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Treatments not tested in a scientifically recognized manner should be discouraged	Strongly agree	7.0%	7.3%	5.5%	6.5%
	Agree	25.1%	22.3%	21.4%	22.8%
	Neutral	38.9%	38.3%	42.3%	40.2%
	Disagree	21.5%	24.1%	24.3%	23.2%
	Strongly disagree	2.6%	2.7%	2.6%	2.7%
	NR	4.9%	5.4%	4.0%	4.7%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%
Alternative/complementary medicine is a threat to public health	Strongly agree	.6%	.8%	.5%	.6%
	Agree	5.1%	6.8%	4.3%	5.3%
	Neutral	18.1%	19.8%	23.5%	20.7%
	Disagree	51.8%	46.6%	51.7%	50.4%
	Strongly disagree	19.5%	20.5%	16.0%	18.3%
	NR	4.9%	5.5%	4.1%	4.8%
	Total	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

NR= No Response.

The 'total' column includes 32 students who indicated 'Other' or did not indicate their current year of study.

Source: 2007 National Physician Survey: Medical Student Questionnaire. The College of Family Physicians of Canada, Canadian Medical Association, The Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Canada.