

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

**Q25a. If you had a choice, how would you prefer to be paid for your services as a physician?**

		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
		%	%	%	%
Preferred method of payment	Unsure	43.1%	41.7%	34.4%	39.2%
	Fee-for-service only	8.0%	7.9%	8.2%	8.1%
	Salary only	15.1%	15.2%	14.2%	14.7%
	Capitation only	.3%	.8%	.6%	.6%
	Sessional/per diem/hourly payments only	2.7%	1.9%	1.3%	1.9%
	Service contract only	.8%	.6%	.5%	.6%
	Blended payment	25.4%	26.5%	37.0%	30.4%
	NR	4.6%	5.2%	3.8%	4.5%
Total		100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

NR= No Response.

**Q25b. If you indicated that you would prefer to be paid by blended payment, what components would you want included in a blended payment method?**

		Year of medical school study			
		1st year or année préparatoire n=228	2nd year n=207	3rd or 4th year n=410	All students n = 857
		%	%	%	%
Components included in blended payment method	Fee-for-service	72.4%	74.4%	75.6%	74.6%
	Salary	66.7%	67.6%	69.0%	67.9%
	Capitation	12.3%	11.6%	9.8%	10.9%
	Sessional/ per diem/ hourly payments	18.4%	20.3%	20.0%	19.8%
	Service contract	10.1%	15.5%	9.5%	11.1%
	Benefits/ pension	45.2%	45.9%	46.6%	46.0%
	On-call remuneration beyond fee-for-service	46.1%	59.9%	62.9%	57.6%
	Other, component to be included in blended payment method	2.2%	2.4%	2.9%	2.6%
	Don't know which components to include in blended payment method	12.7%	6.3%	5.9%	7.8%
	NR	12.3%	12.6%	10.0%	11.2%

Results apply only to respondents who indicated that their preferred method of payment would be blended payment. Column totals may exceed 100% as this question allowed for multiple responses.  
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.