

Country Mouse, City Mouse: Examining Communication Barriers between Rural Physicians and Urban Consultants in Newfoundland and Labrador



URBAN CONSULTANTS SURVEY

1. What is your specialty? _____

2. What is your gender? _____

3. Have you experienced communication difficulties with rural physicians?

FREQUENTLY SOMETIMES NEVER

Please explain. _____

4. Is there a particular setting/context in which communication difficulties typically happen?

5. Did the communication difficulties impact patient care?

FREQUENTLY SOMETIMES NEVER

6. Do you think patients are sent for consult unnecessarily or without adequate investigation by the rural physician?

FREQUENTLY SOMETIMES NEVER

7. What do you think are the barriers to communication between rural physicians and urban consultants?

8. Have you experienced communication with rural physicians working well?

- FREQUENTLY SOMETIMES NEVER

Please explain. _____

9. How can communication between rural physicians and urban consultants be improved? _____

10. Do you see a role for simulation in helping to solve communication barriers? YES NO

11. What types of simulation would work best in your context and why?

- Standardized Patients
- Role Playing (Peer-to-Peer)
- Virtual Patients
- Task Trainers
- Surgical Skills
- Human Patient Simulators/Mannequins
- Other _____

Please explain. _____

Thank you for participating!