

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



RURAL PHYSICIANS SURVEY

1. Where do you practice (community name)? _____

2. What is your gender? _____

3. Have you experienced communication difficulties with urban specialists?

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 ever think patients are discharged too early from the hospital?

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 urban specialists 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!