

Date: March 17, 2022

Question:

In light of the 2020 AIUM Practice Parameter on first trimester detailed diagnostic obstetric ultrasound, have you implemented this exam in your office?

Results:

Total Responses: 62

Yes: 27%

No: 50%

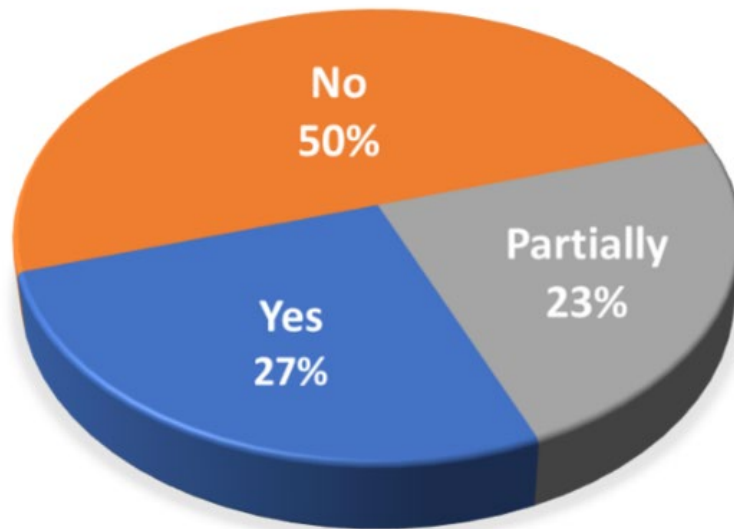
Partially: 23%

Conclusion:

Half of SMFM respondents have implemented first trimester detailed diagnostic obstetric ultrasound exams in their offices, and 23% of those who have implemented the exam have only done so partially.

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**HAVE YOU IMPLEMENTED THE FIRST TRIMESTER
DETAILED DIAGNOSTIC OB ULTRASOUND**



Date: April 14, 2022

Question:

Assuming you are an MFM physician covering ultrasound all day, approximately how many ultrasound studies do you interpret per day?

Results:

Total Responses: 80

< 20: 12.5% (10)

20-30: 16.3% (13)

30-40: 23.8% (19)

40-50: 21.3% (17)

50-60: 15% (12)

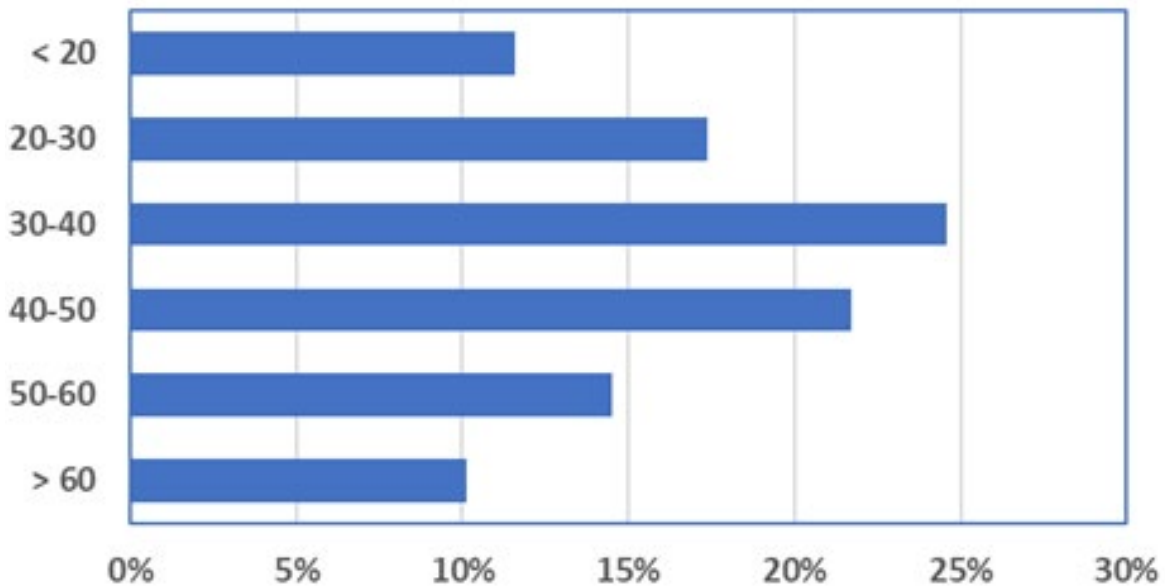
> 60: 11.3% (9)

Conclusion:

When covering ultrasound all day, SMFM members most commonly interpret 30-40 ultrasound studies, with 49% interpreting between 20 and 50 scans per day

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Ultrasound studies interpreted per doc per day



Date: May 19, 2022

Question:

Do you have a genetic counselor employed within your practice or cost center?

Results:

Total Responses: 66

Yes: 68% (45)

No: 32% (21)

Conclusion:

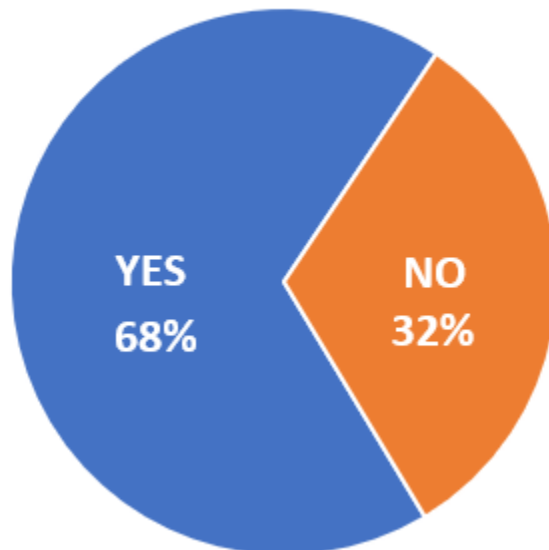
68% of SMFM respondents have a genetic counselor embedded within their office practice.

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Genetic counselors in your practice



Date: June 17, 2022

Question:

Does your MFM practice provide group care of any kind?

Results:

Total Responses: 67

Yes: 36%

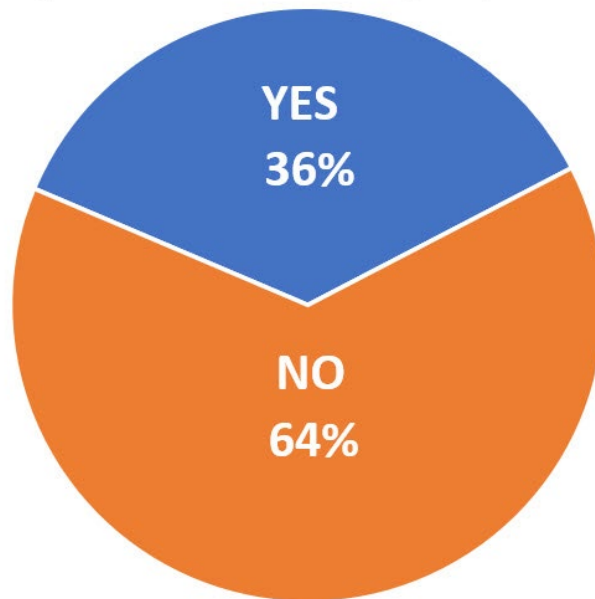
No: 64%

Conclusion:

36% of SMFM respondents provide some kind of group care, whereas 64% do not.

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I provide some kind of group care



Date: July 21, 2022

Question:

My practice is primarily...

Results:

Total Responses: 86

Consultative only: 17.4% (15)

Primarily consultative with select prenatal care/delivery: 20.9% (18)

About equal consultative and prenatal care/delivery: 26.7% (23)

Mostly inpatient including deliveries: 9.3% (8)

Mostly ultrasound only: 14% (12)

Other: 11.6% (10)

Conclusion:

SMFM members indicated that they operate a variety of practice types, with the largest percentage of members (26.7%) indicating that their practice is about equally consultative and prenatal care/delivery.

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Date: August 19, 2022

Question:

Assuming a mix of ultrasound complexities (detailed anatomy, BPP, viability, etc.) are scheduled, how many studies on average does a sonographer (tech) complete in a full workday?

Results:

Total Responses: 138

7 or less: 12.3% (17)

8-9: 32.6% (45)

10-11: 30.4% (42)

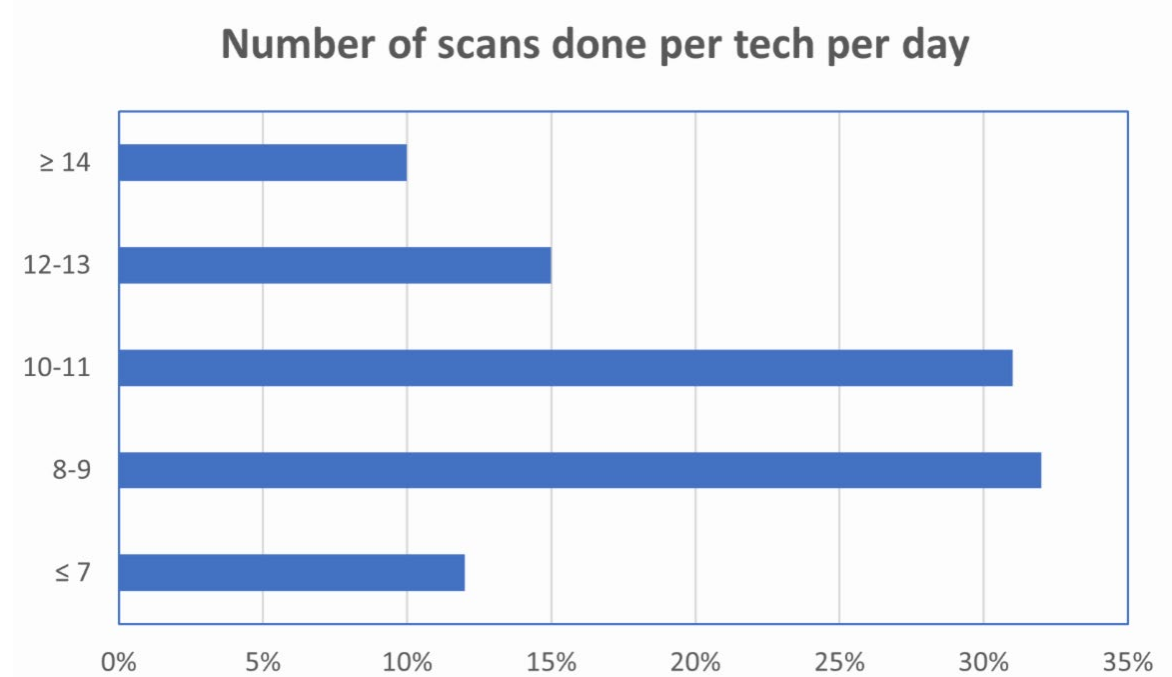
12-13: 15.2% (21)

14 or more: 9.4% (13)

Conclusion:

For most respondents (63%), 8-11 scans per ultrasound tech per day are performed.

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Date: September 22, 2022

Question:

During the COVID pandemic, visitors have often been restricted from accompanying patients. Assuming that the visitor is able to wear a mask, what is your current visitors policy in your outpatient ultrasound unit?

Results:

Total Responses: 87

No visitors: 11.5% (10)

One visitor only (adult, > 18 years): 17.2% (15)

One visitor only (> 12 years): 14.9% (13)

One visitor only (>5 years): 14.9% (13)

Two visitors: 19.5% (17)

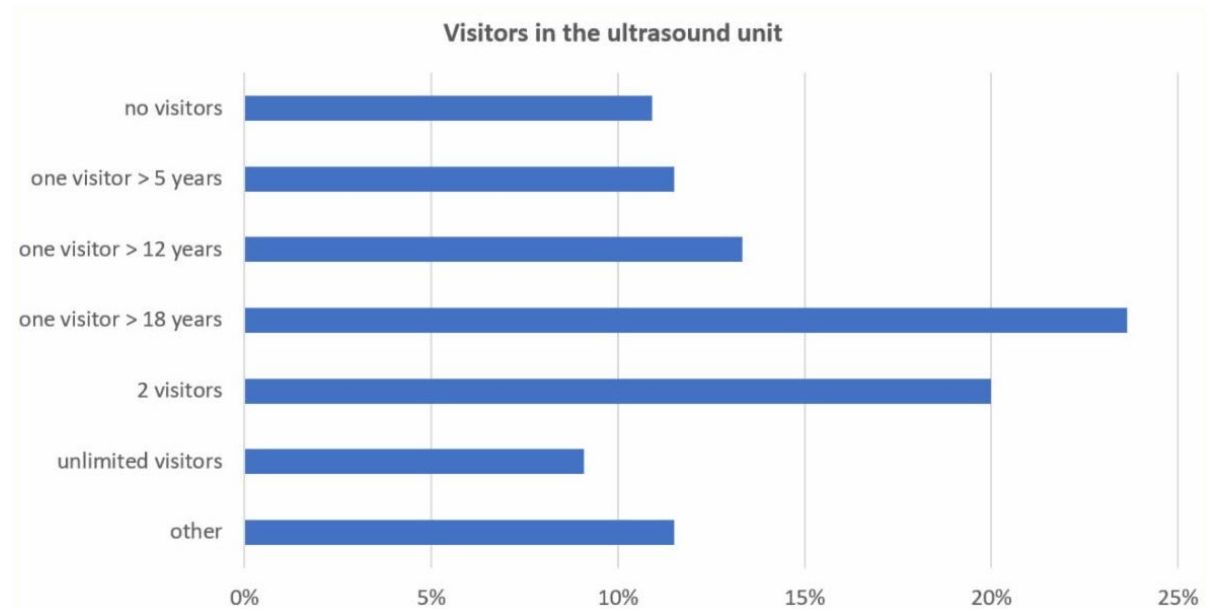
Unlimited visitors: 10.3% (9)

Other: 11.5% (10)

Conclusion:

Visitation policies tend to vary among respondents' outpatient ultrasound units, but 47% allow only one visitor only.

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Date: October 20, 2022

Question:

Remote patient monitoring (RPM) is a digital technology that captures, monitors, and communicates patient health data, and may benefit certain high-risk patients. In your outpatient practice, have you implemented RPM to manage diabetes (glucose values) and/or hypertension (BP) in pregnancy?

Results:

Total Responses: 68

Yes: 35.3% (24)

No: 45.6% (31)

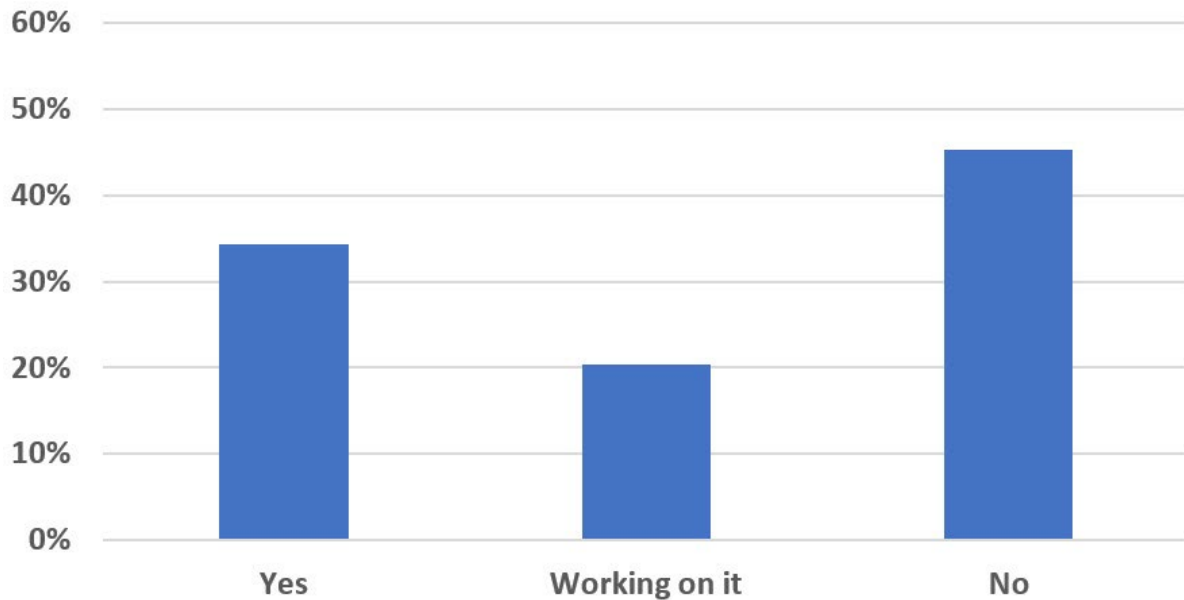
Working on it: 19.1% (13)

Conclusion:

Survey responses suggest that this is an emerging technology, with 55% of respondents indicating that they have already implemented RPM or are in the process of introducing RPM to their practice.

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Use of Remote Patient Monitoring



Date: November 21, 2022

Question:

How frequently does your MFM practice replace its ultrasound machines?

Results:

Total Responses: 76

Every 1-2 Years: 14.5% (11)

Every 3-4 Years: 22.4% (17)

Every 5-6 Years: 30.3% (23)

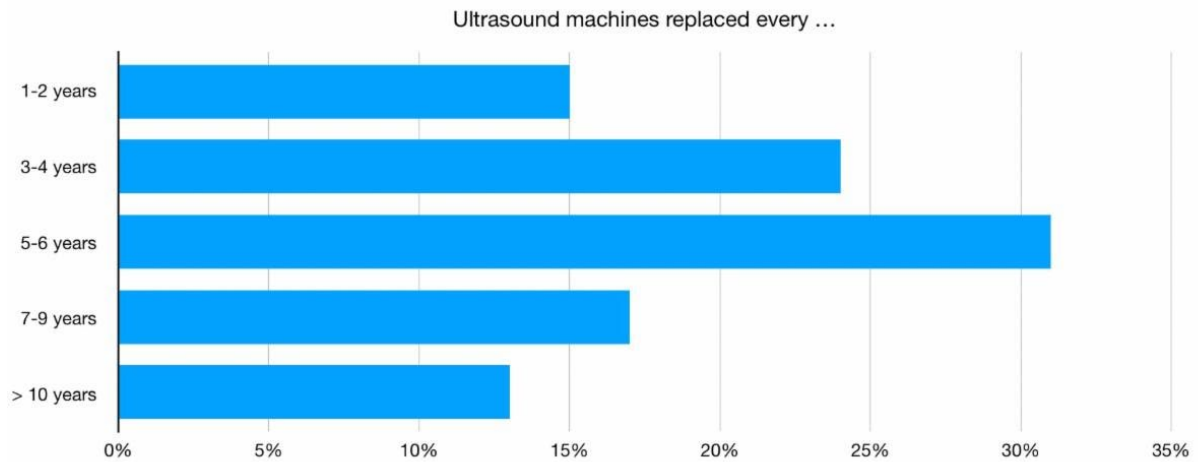
Every 7-9 Years: 19.7% (15)

Every 10+ Years: 13.2% (10)

Conclusion:

Replacement rates tend to vary among MFM practices, but most practices (55%) tend to replace their machines every 3 to 6 years.

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Date: December 16, 2022

Question:

The COVID pandemic has significantly impacted obstetric ultrasound scheduling. Have you resumed the normal scheduling of ultrasound procedures?

Results:

Total Responses: 81

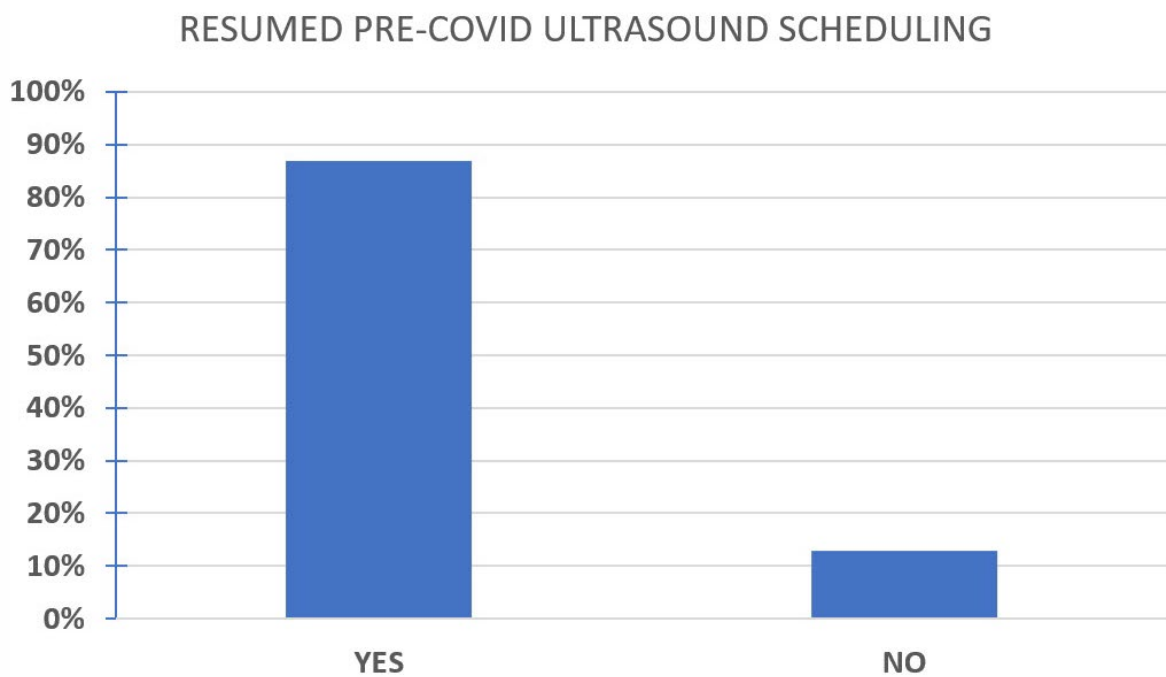
Yes: 87.7% (10)

No: 12.3% (10)

Conclusion:

Most respondents (88%) indicated that pre-COVID ultrasound scheduling had indeed resumed.

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Date: January 20, 2023

Question:

Are you a member of ACOG and/or AMA?

Results:

Total Responses: 142

ACOG only: 64.8% (92)

AMA only: 5.6% (8)

Both ACOG and AMA: 19% (27)

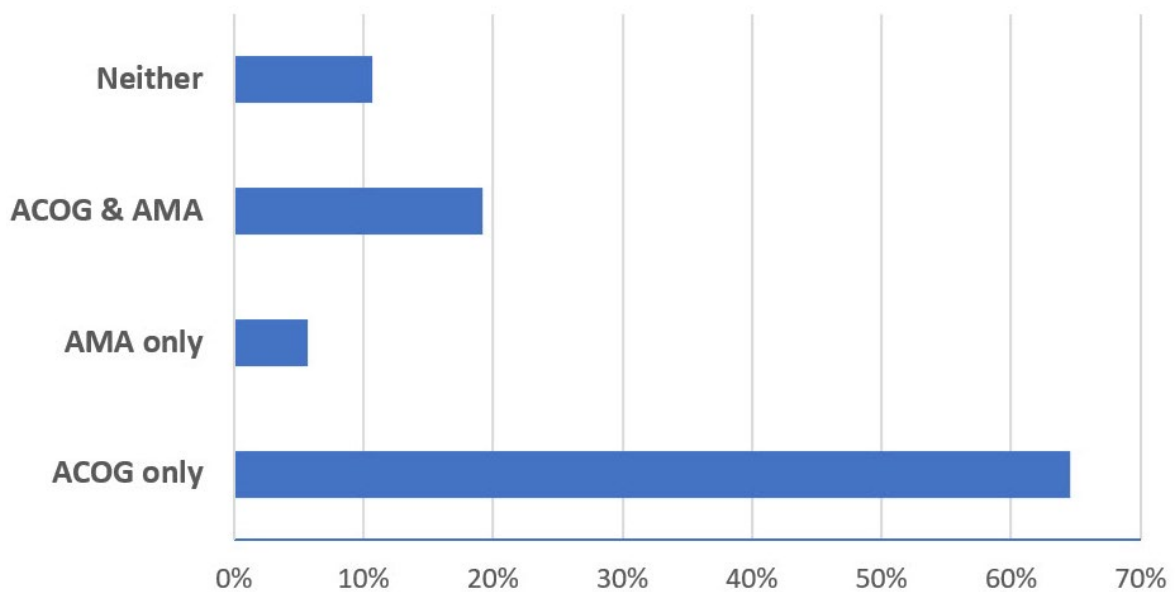
Neither: 10.6% (15)

Conclusion:

Most respondents indicated that they are a member of ACOG, with fewer respondents indicating that they are also a member of the AMA.

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BESIDES SMFM, I AM ALSO A MEMBER OF:



Date: February 24, 2023

Question:

Are you a member of the American Institute of Ultrasound in Medicine (AIUM) and/or the International Society of Ultrasound in Obstetrics and Gynecology (ISUOG)?

Results:

Total Responses: 135

AIUM only: 38.5% (52)

ISUOG only: 13.3% (18)

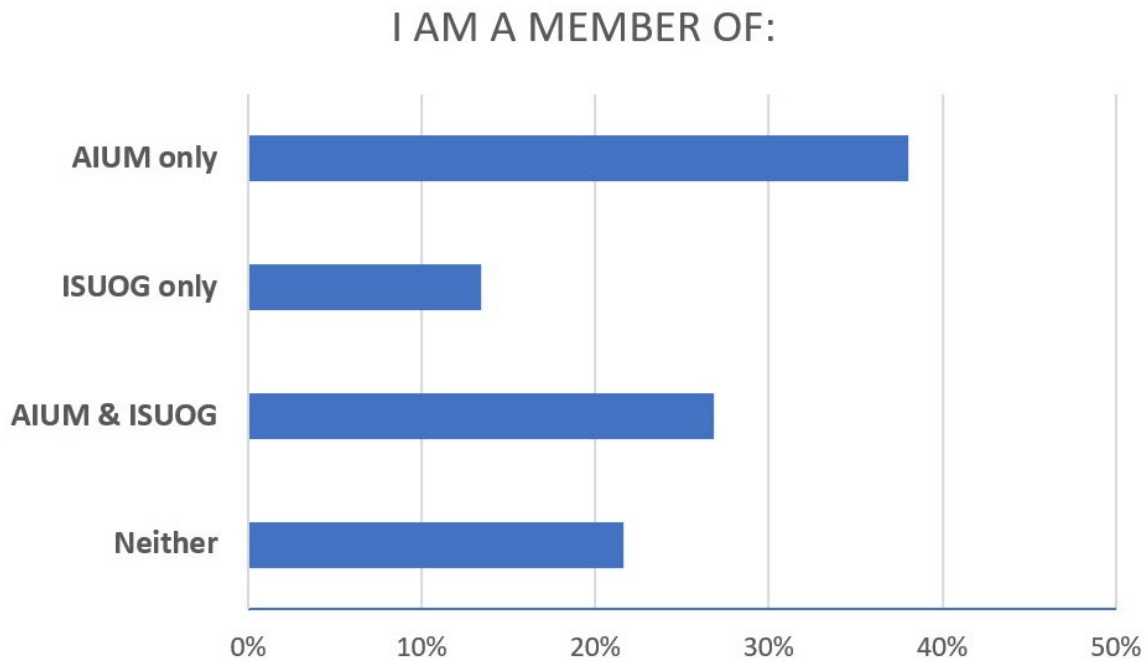
Both AIUM and ISUOG: 26.7% (36)

Neither: 21.5% (29)

Conclusion:

Most respondents indicated that they are also a member of AIUM.

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Date: March 16, 2023

Question:

Realizing that you may use more than one EMR at your practice/hospital locations, which EMR do you use the most?

Results:

Total Responses: 139

Cerner: 11.5% (16)

Epic: 50.4% (70)

Meditech: 7.9% (11)

AthenaHealth: 9.4% (13)

Allscripts: 7.2% (10)

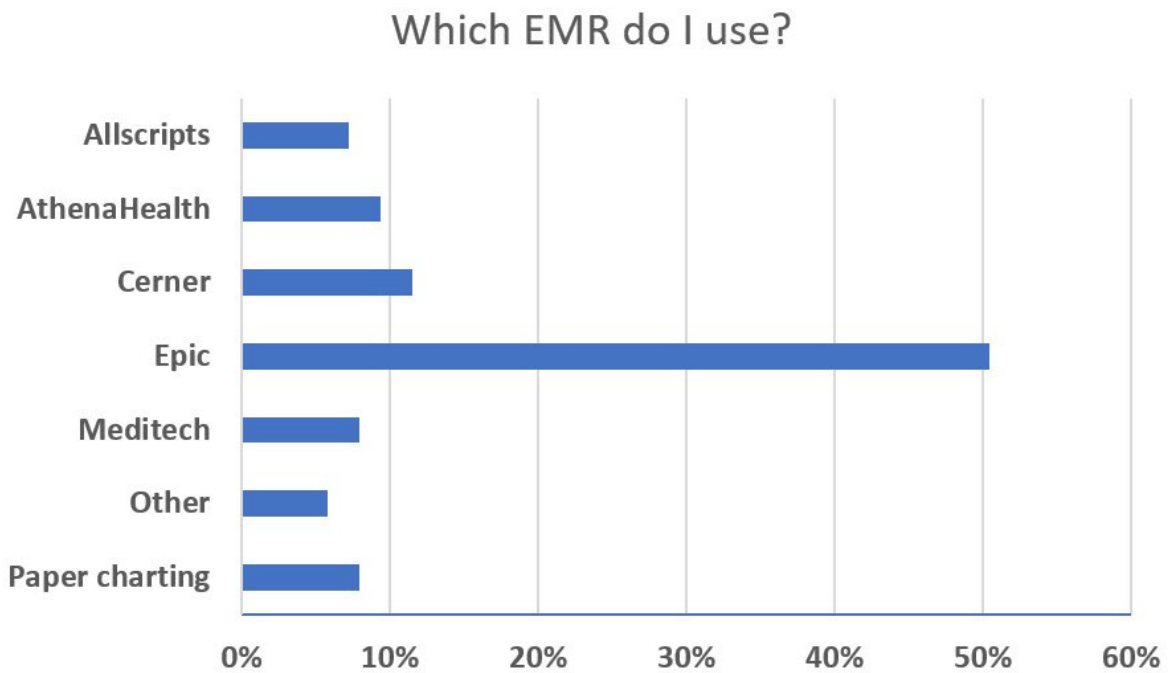
Other: 5.8% (8)

Paper Charting: 7.9% (11)

Conclusion:

Most respondents indicated that they use Epic as their preferred EMR. Interestingly, some still use paper charting in their daily practice.

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Date: April 21, 2023

Question:

The last three years have created challenges in providing medical services. National data suggests an increase in job mobility and early retirement, creating retention and hiring difficulties. In your own experience, have you noticed this in your medical practice?

Results:

Total Responses: 65

Yes – Significant Practice Impact: 60% (39)

Yes – Only Mild Practice Impact: 21.5% (14)

No – No Practice Impact: 18.5% (12)

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