Resident Médecins résidents of Canada

# Career Intention and Practice Management

2018 NATIONAL RESIDENT SURVEY

# Practice management:

The majority (58%) of residents prefer learning about practice management on the job. 26% prefer academic half day, and 12% prefer external seminars.





# Job opportunities:

Fewer than 1 in 5 residents definitely know where to access job opportunities.



The majority of residents (65%) intend to stay and practice in the province where they are training.





#### **Motivation:**

50% say that proximity to family is the top reason for location of practice.

# **Locuming:**

18% plan to locum outside their province/territory of primary practice upon completion of residency. 50% would locum if there were no additional licensing requirements.





# **Expected duties:**

#### **Generalism:**

When asked to consider the importance of generalism, 82.4% of residents gave a score of 7 or more on the importance of generalism on a scale of 1 to 10, where 10 means 'Very important'.





#### **Debt:**

Average estimated total debt at the end of residency training: \$127,496. At the two extremes, 20% of residents expect to be debt-free by end of residency, while 12% of residents are anticipating a total debt of at least \$250,000.

#### **Billing codes:**

10% of final year residents rated their knowledge as good or very good in utilizing billing codes, with the majority of final year residents (60%) rating their confidence as moderate. 30% of final year residents rated their knowledge as poor.



### **Remuneration:**

- a 54% of residents are willing to practice with reduced clinical autonomy in exchange for a salaried compensation model that includes health benefits, pension, vacation time, and other benefits.
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  The majority of residents (41%) indicated that the salaried model was the most appealing payment
- salaried model was the most appealing payment schedule, while 19% preferred the blended model\* and 18% preferred fee-for-service.