

Children's Rights in Primary Paediatric care: European Study



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Background

- Approx. 160,000 paediatricians are practising in Europe
- Primary paediatric health care varies among and within countries
- Several surveys have been carried out on the implementation of UNCRC in hospitals
- A national survey has been carried out among primary care paediatricians in Hungary
- This is an international survey on the knowledge and implementation of UNCRC in primary paediatric health care: *Joint project* of the *International Society for Social Paediatrics & Child Health (ISSOP)* and the *European Confederation of Primary Care Paediatricians (ECPCP)*, which currently represents organisations from 17 countries

Objectives

- To explore primary care pediatricians' **competencies/skills** on Child Rights
- To identify cultural, organizational and legal **barriers**
- To identify **educational and training needs**
- To contribute to the development of **educational programmes /tools**

Methods – questionnaire survey

- ◆ Questionnaire 1 (Q1) survey among primary care pediatricians
- ◆ Questionnaire 2 (Q2) survey among the leaders of paediatric societies)
- ◆ Survey tool: Survey Monkey system

Q1 survey - responses

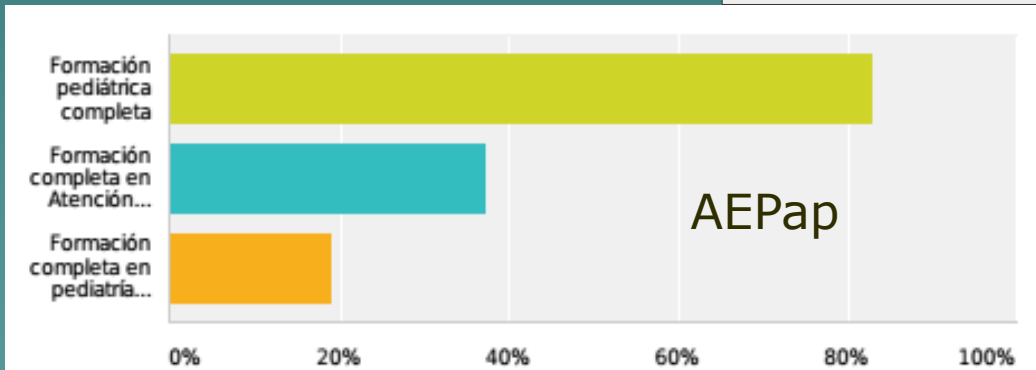
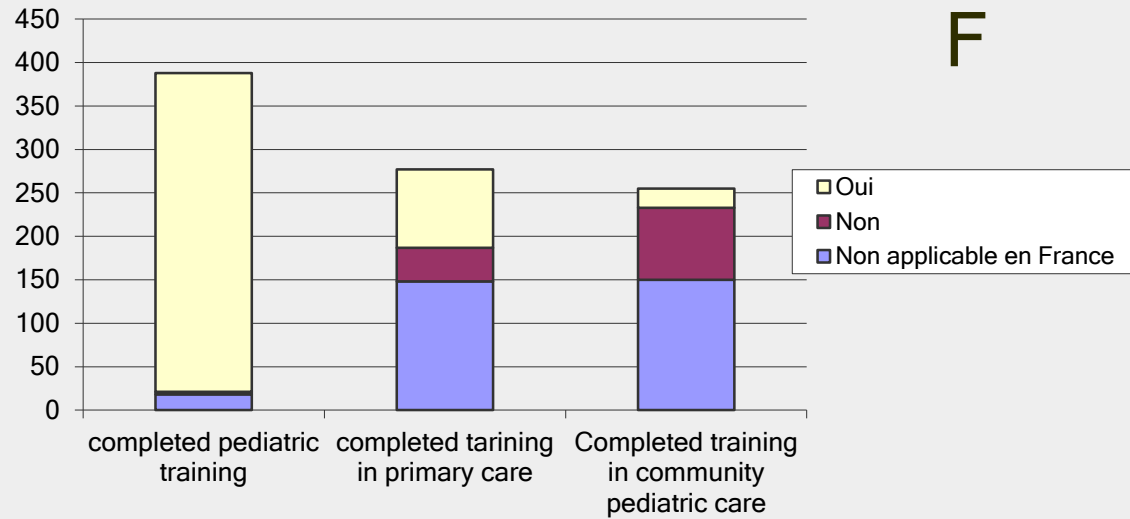
➤ **Total.....1342**

◆ <i>Cyprus</i>	22
◆ <i>France</i>	397
◆ <i>Germany</i>	62
◆ <i>Hungary</i>	122
◆ <i>Israel</i>	146
◆ <i>Italy</i>	170
◆ <i>Luxembourg</i>	4
◆ <i>Spain /AEPap</i>	151
◆ <i>Spain /SEPEAP</i>	188
◆ <i>Slovakia</i>	1
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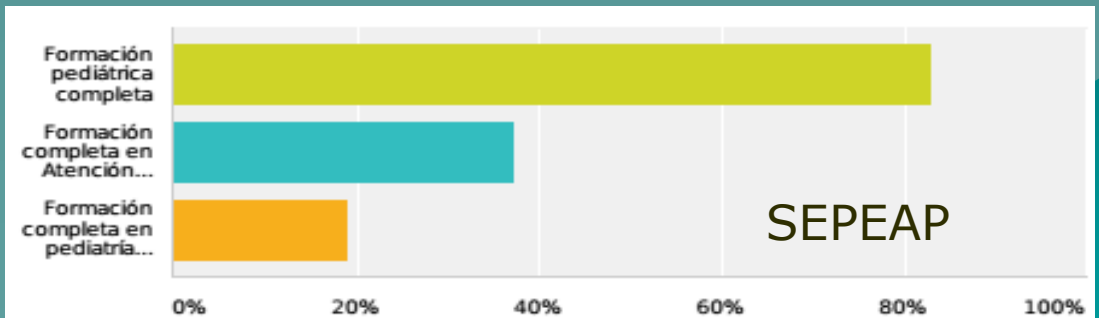
Q1: groups of questions

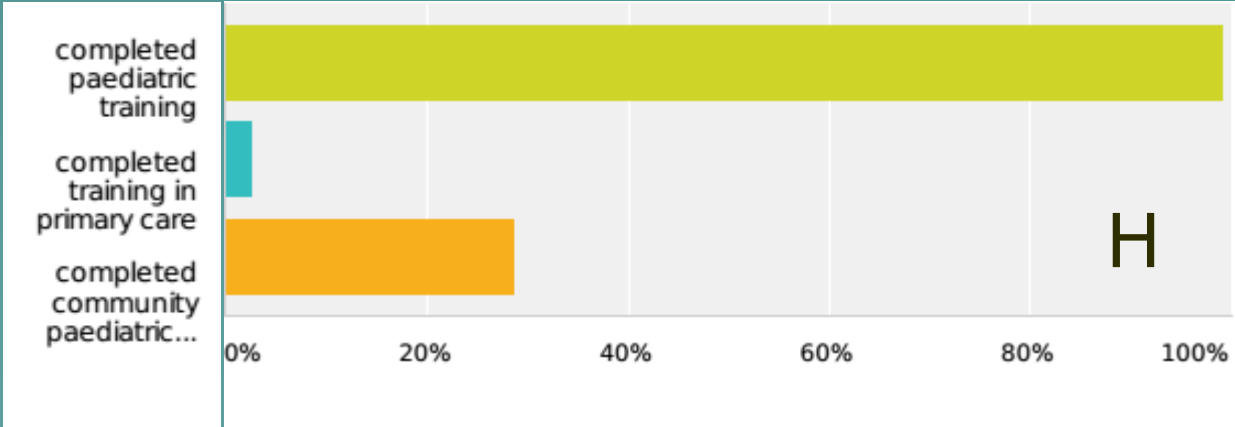
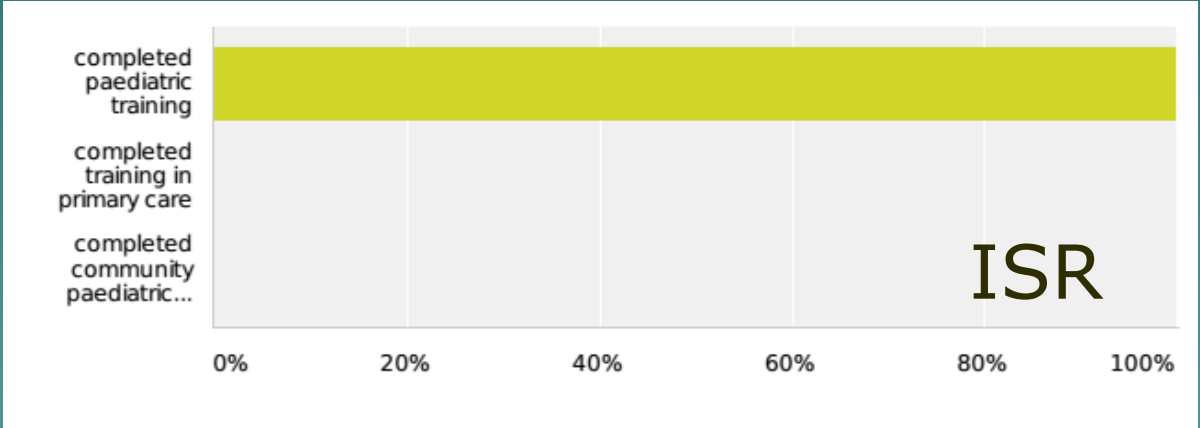
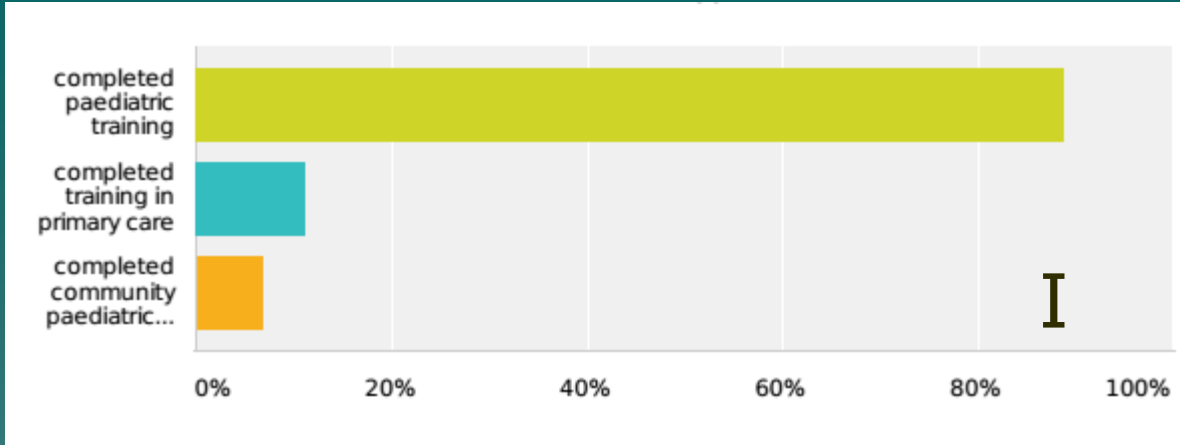
- ◆ circumstances of the respondent
- ◆ pediatricians information on CRC
- ◆ implementation of CRC
- ◆ social problems/risk in families
- ◆ conflicts between the doctor and the family

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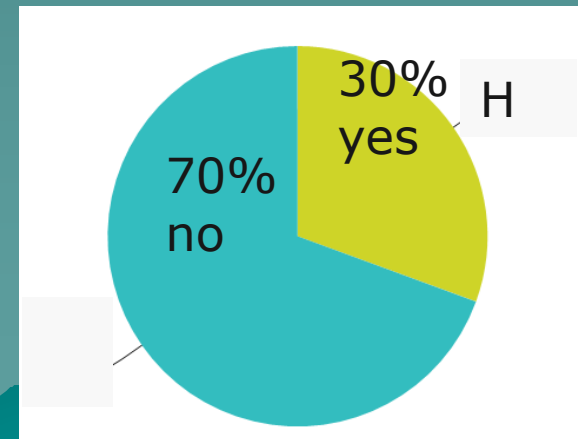
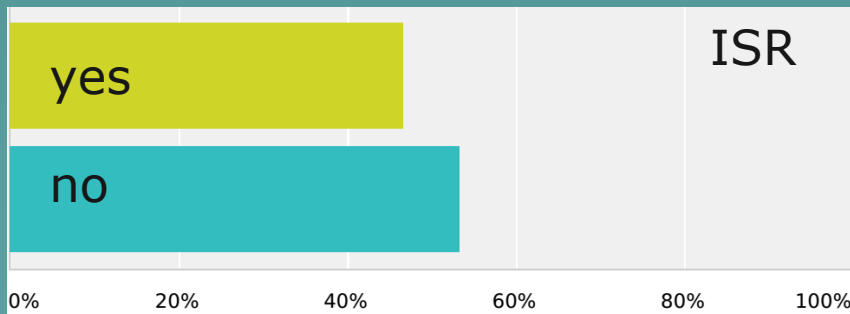
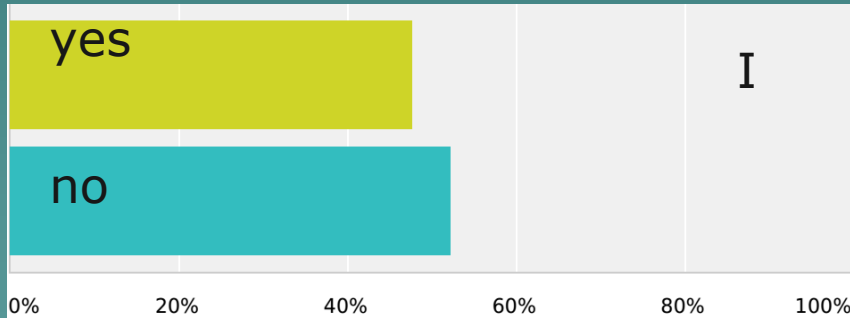
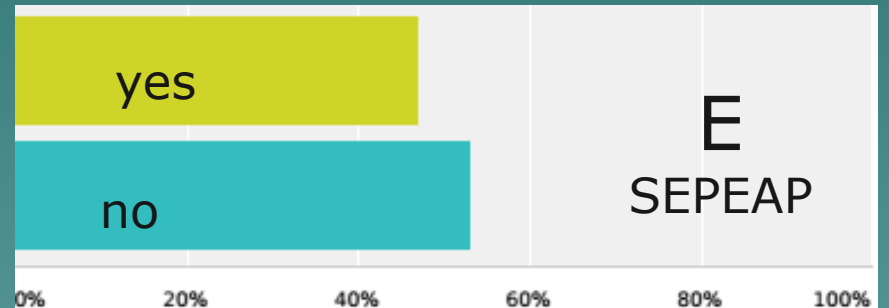
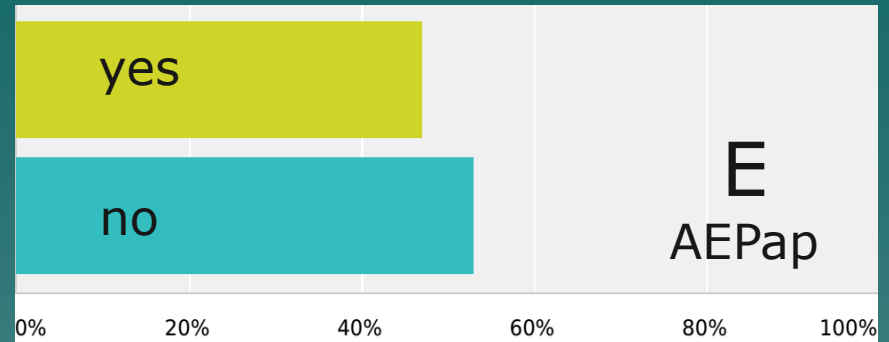
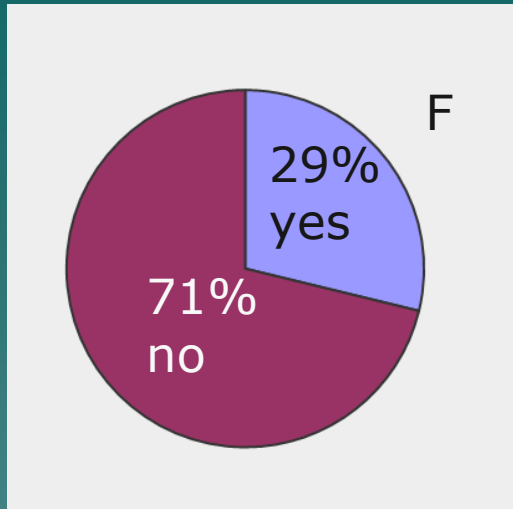




*Do you feel that pediatricians
have enough knowledge
regarding children's rights?*

- Yes
- No

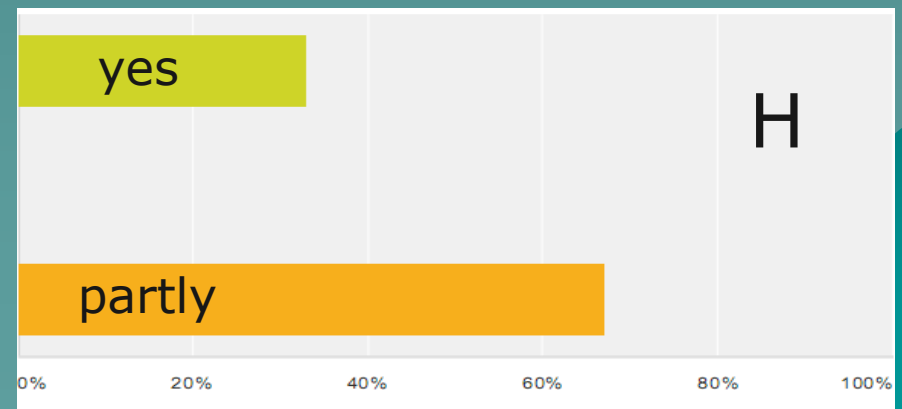
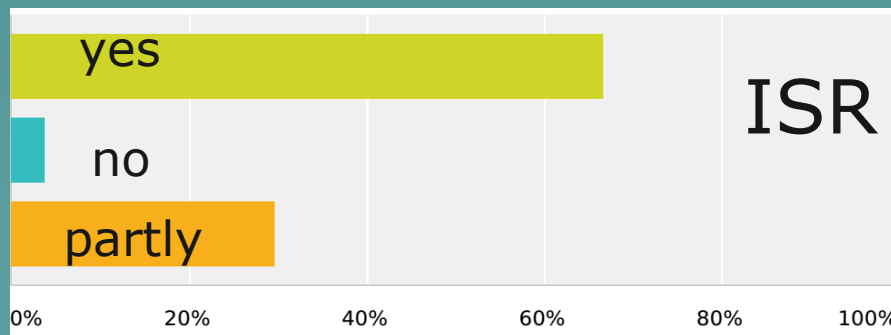
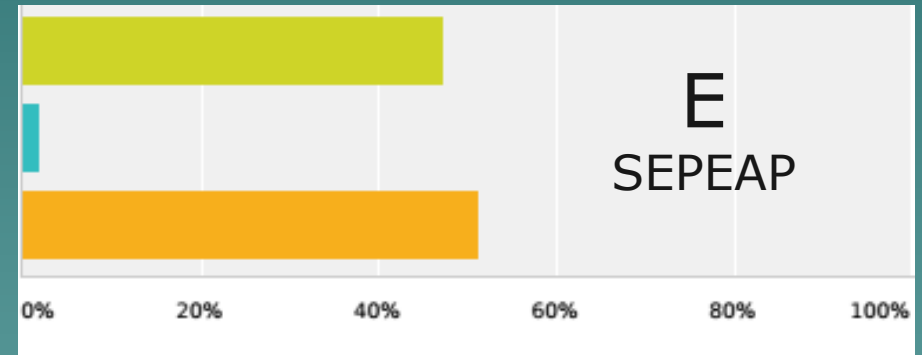
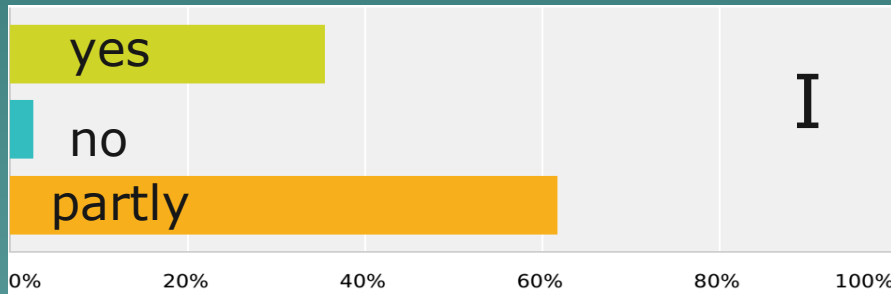
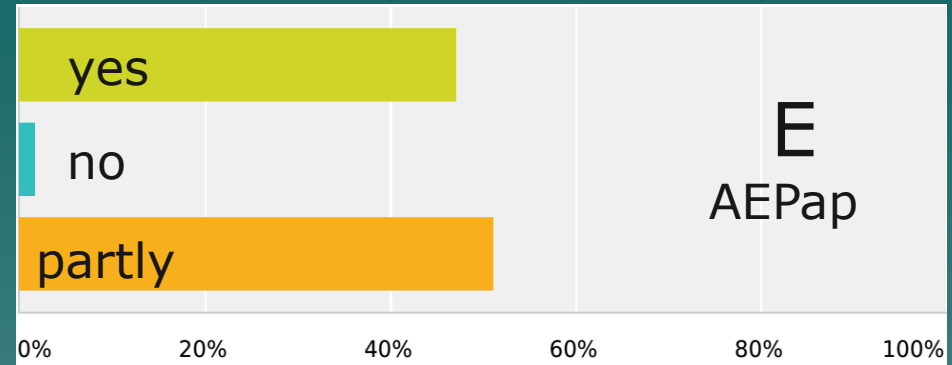
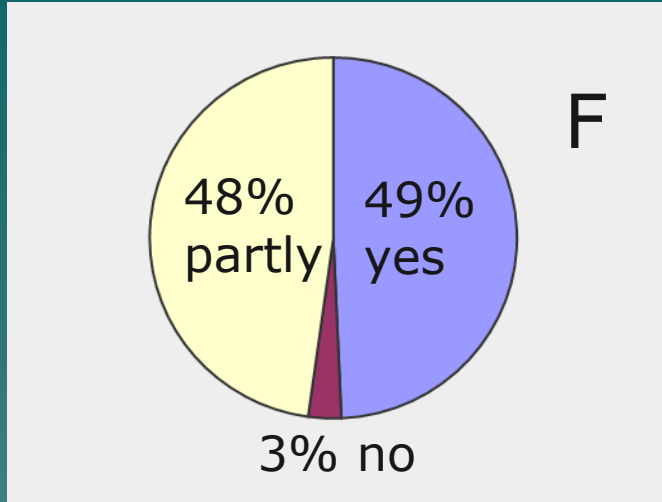
Knowledge on CRC



Your country has ratified the UNCRRC; Do you think that Rights of the Child have been applied in primary pediatric care?

- Yes
- No
- Partially

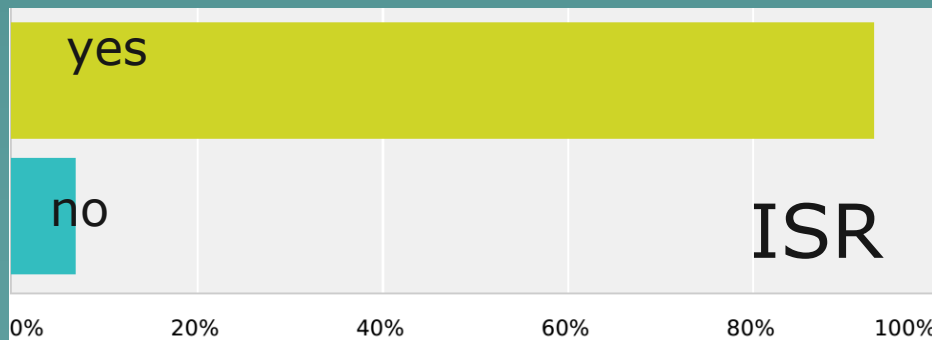
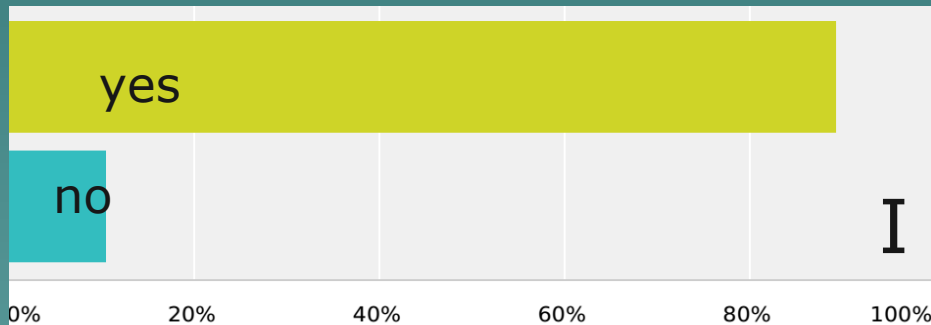
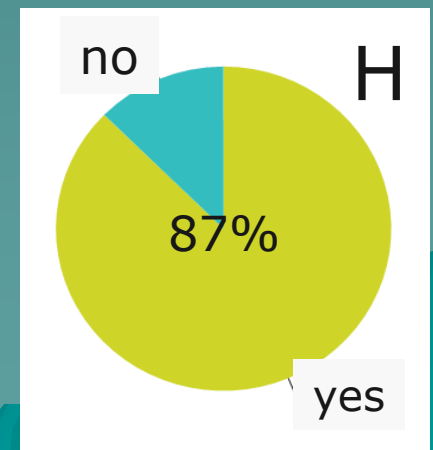
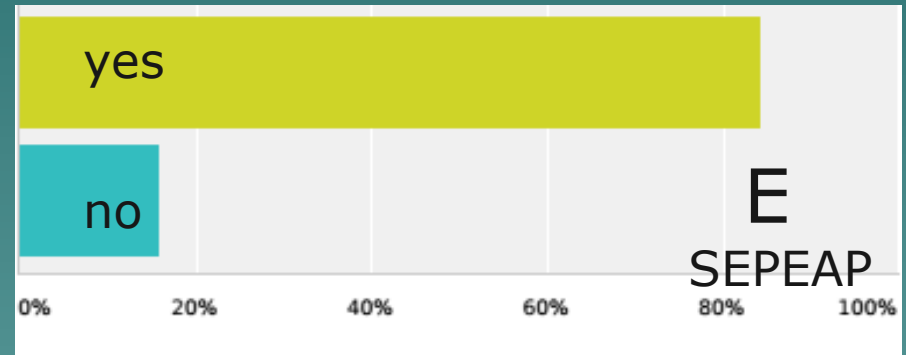
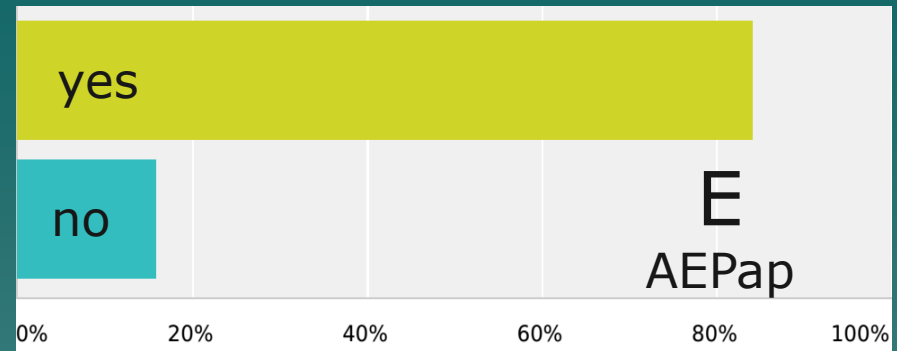
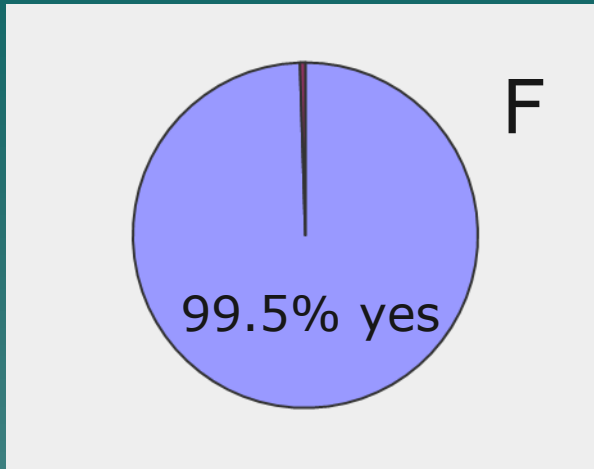
Implementation of CRC



Do you feel that "equal access to health care" is implemented in your practice?

- Yes
- No

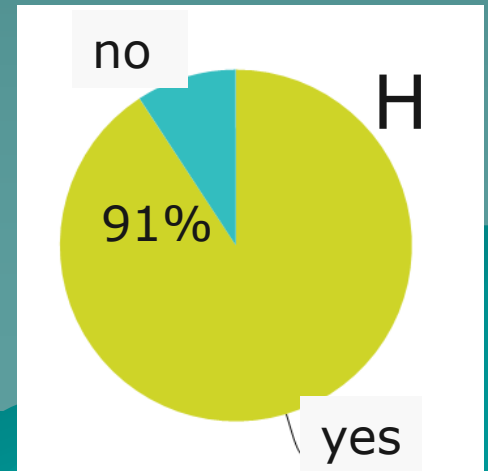
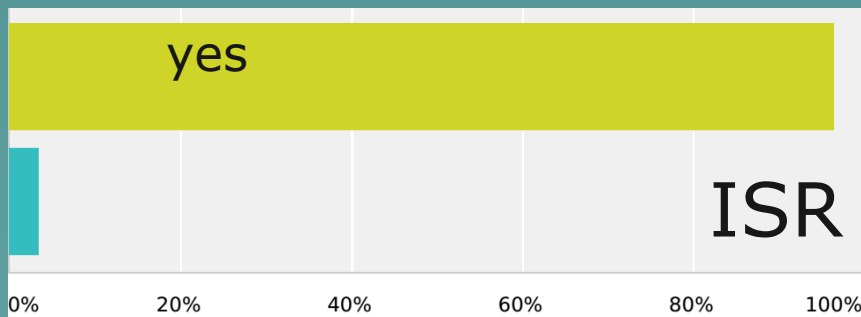
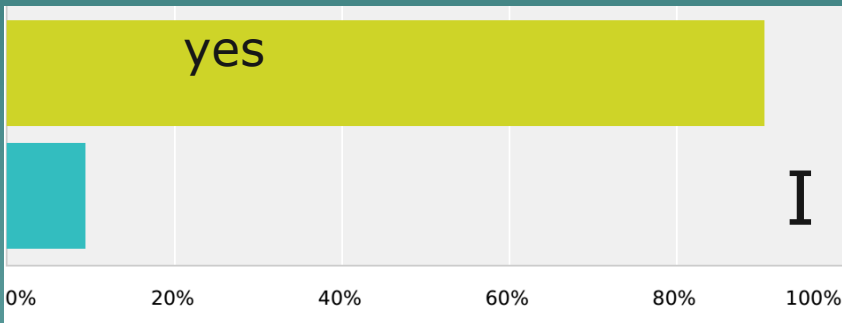
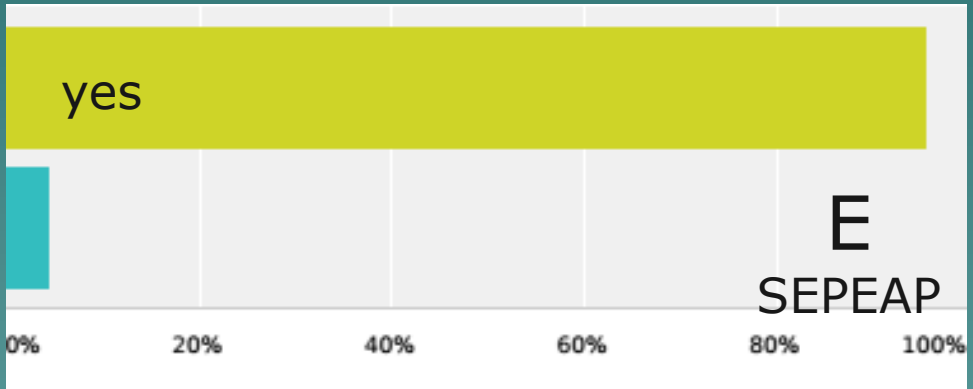
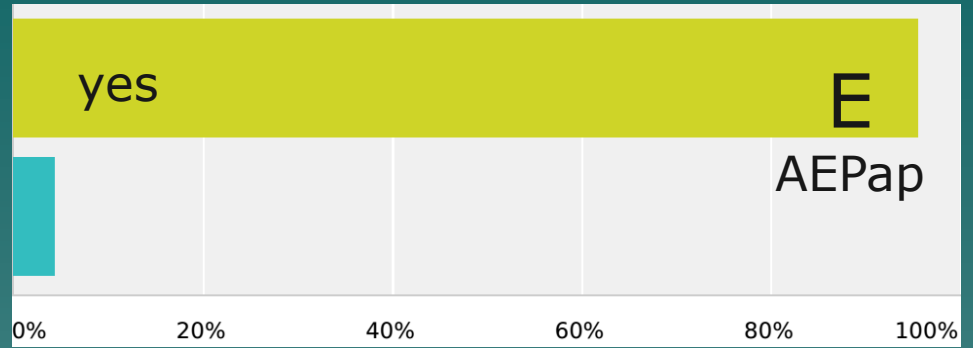
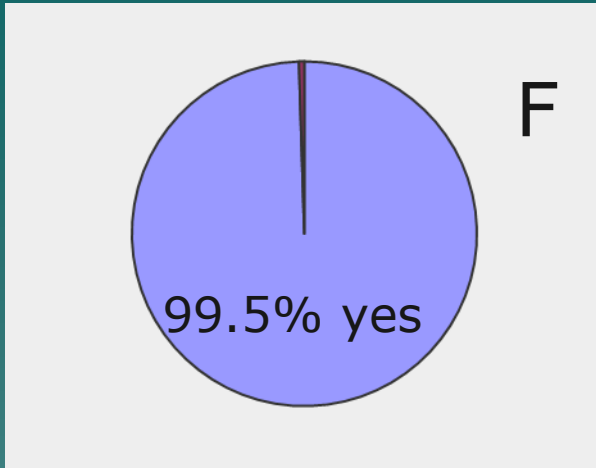
Equal access to health care



*Is the right of being informed
(on examination/ diagnosis/
treatment)
implemented in your practice?*

- Yes
- No

Right of information



Q2 survey

- 14 countries responded
- Primary paediatric care societies (Exec.Committee) opinion about:
 - ◆ The type of health care delivery for paediatric care
 - ◆ Children's rights education (pre/post graduate)
 - ◆ Children's rights advocacy
 - ◆ Implementation of UNCRC.
 - ◆ School health services profile

Q2 survey – responses (1)

- Type of health care delivery systems for paediatric care /social-community paediatrics
 - primary care paediatrician (pcp).....60%
 - combined (family doctor, gp/ pcp).....40%
 - social paediatrics society / committee.....53%

- Children's rights education /training is included in:
 - medical school.....52%
 - post graduate paediatric training.....57%
 - Societies's conferences....never 13% /Sometimes....73%

Q2 survey – responses (2)

- Children's rights advocacy
 - appointed Children's Ombudsman/Commissioner.....73%
 - UN periodic country report on Child Rights informed to primary paediatric care societies.....40%

- Child Rights implemented in primary paediatric care..... 47%

Final remarks (1)

- ◆ The **knowledge/implementation** of UNCRC in PPC varies significantly among European countries: Deep gaps on UNCRC knowledge were found.
- ◆ **Equal access** to health care is mainly provided in urban areas.

Final remarks (2)

- ◆ UNCRC should be included in paediatric education as well as addressed in the planning of paediatric services / family&child welfare policies
- ◆ Further research on UNCRC in various European primary paediatric care models/health care providers is needed (Study Phase 2).



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