

**Table 2 Demographic characteristics of the physicians and allied professionals in the two panels for the Delphi project**

Characteristic	Physicians		Allied professionals <sup>a</sup>		Overall sample	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<b>Sex</b>						
Male	3	33	–	–	3	16
Female	6	67	10	100	16	84
<b>Age (years)</b>						
30–39	2	22	2	20	4	21
40–49	6	67	7	70	13	68
50–59	1	11	–	–	1	5
≥ 60	–	–	1	10	1	5
<b>Highest education</b>						
Undergraduate	–	–	2	20	2	11
Masters	–	–	7	70	7	37
Doctorate (PhD)	–	–	1	10	1	5
Medicine (MD)	9	100	–	–	9	47
<b>Area of specialization</b>						
Pharmacy	–	–	1	10	1	5
Management	–	–	4	40	4	21
Nursing	–	–	3	30	3	16
Osteopathy	–	–	110	–	1	5
General/family medicine	3	33	–	–	3	16
Paediatrics	2	22	–	–	2	11
Surgery	2	22	–	–	2	11
Dermatology	1	11	–	–	1	5
Missing	1	11	1	10	2	11
<b>Previously taking continuing education courses</b>						
Yes	9	–	10	100	19	100
<b>Consider taking continuing education courses</b>						
Yes	9	–	10	100	19	100
<b>Main location/type of employment</b>						
Private hospital	5	56	6	60	11	58
Private clinic	2	22	1	10	3	16
Nongovernmental organization	2	22	2	20	4	21
University	–	–	1	10	1	5
<b>Years of experience</b>						
Mean (standard deviation)	13.4 (5.4)		19.3 (10.4)		16.7 (9.0)	
Min–max	5–20		1–38		1–38	

<sup>a</sup>One of the 10 allied professionals who completed phase 2 (including questions about profile of the respondents) did not answer Phase 3.