

BACKGROUND

Child neurology residents often encounter challenging discussions with families, including end-of-life conversations, throughout their training.

Formal training in palliative care remains limited during medical residency.

Educational initiatives such as Pediatric Palliative Care (PPC) bootcamps provide valuable opportunities for residents to develop these very much needed skills.

OBJECTIVES

- **Highlight the role of palliative care training** in enhancing CN child neurology residents' experiences.
- **Standardize approaches** for handling difficult family conversations.
- **Develop skills** for discussing end-of-life situations and prognosis with families.
- **Utilize simulated scenarios** to prepare residents for challenging family interactions.

METHODS

Workshop with Palliative care: Train child neurology residents (PGY3-PGY5) and inpatient CN team on goals of care discussions and difficult family conversations lead by Palliative Care specialists.

Assessment: Residents complete a pre-test and post-test to evaluate workshop impact on preparedness for real-life scenarios.



QR code 1: pictures during workshop

RESULTS

- | Level of training | Number of participants |
|-------------------|------------------------|
| Acting Interns | 1 |
| Child neurology | |
| PGY 3 | 1 |
| PGY 4 | 2 |
| PGY5 | 1 |
| Adult neurology | 2 |
| TOTAL | 7 |

Table 1 Demographics of participants of workshop

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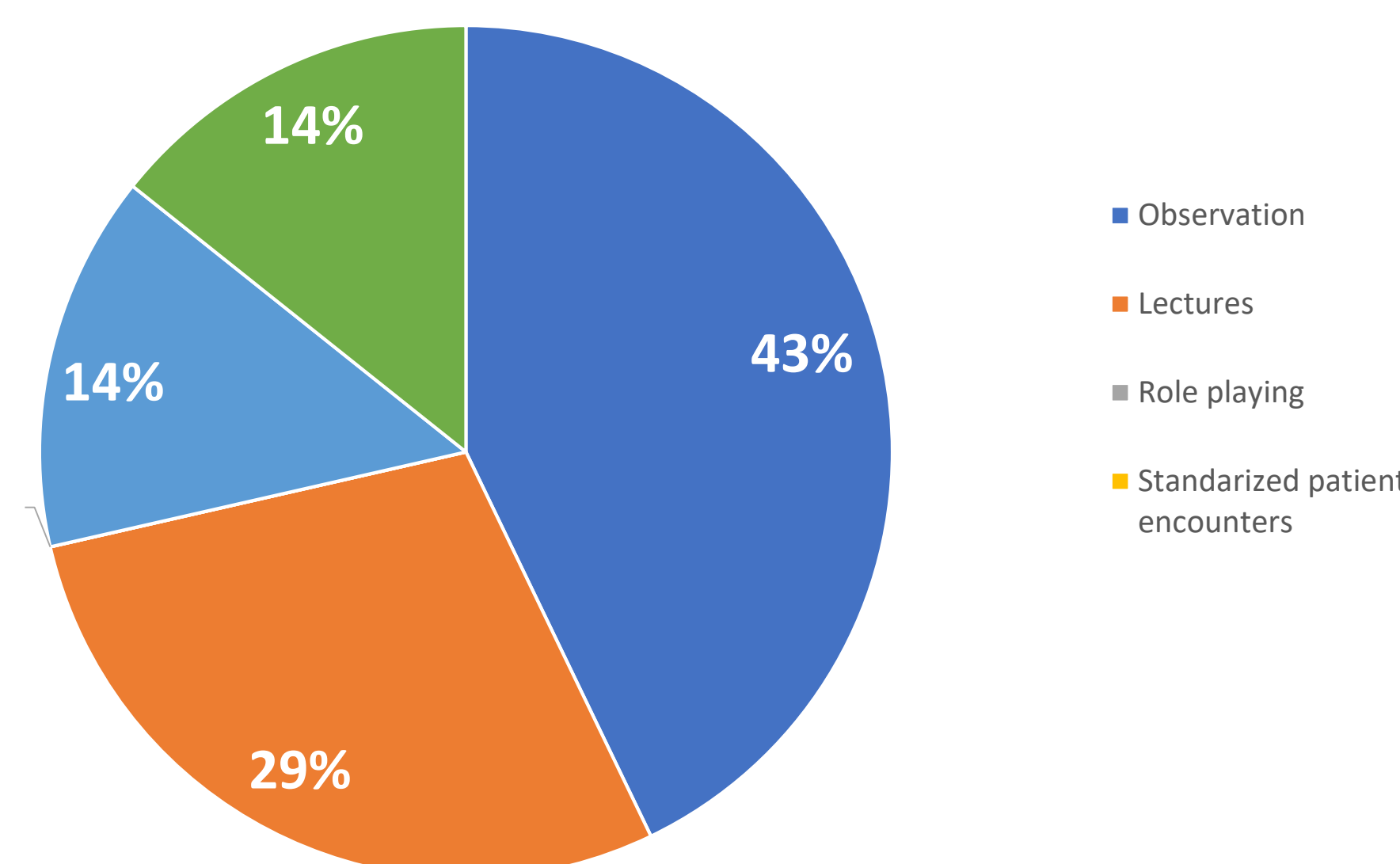


Figure 2 : types of palliative care education training received during residency

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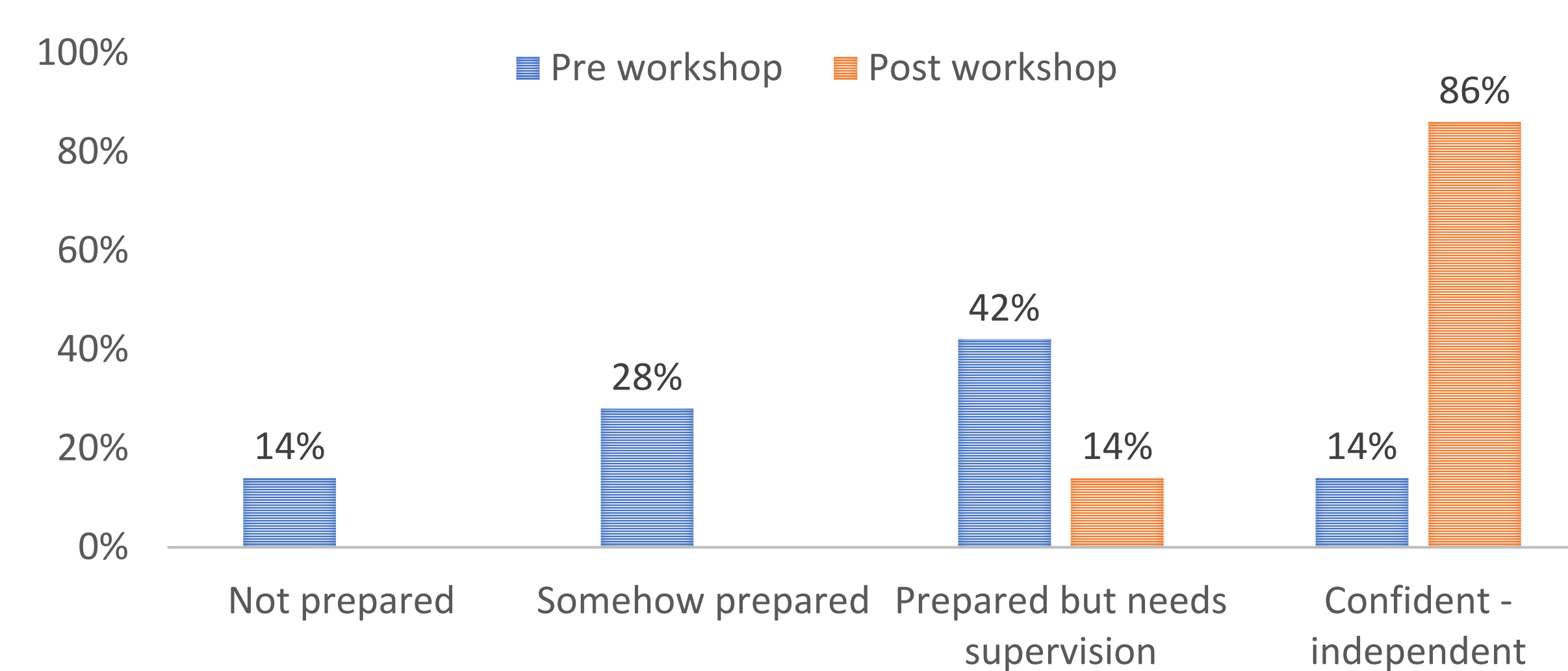


Figure 1: results pre and post workshop about confidence with serious news delivery

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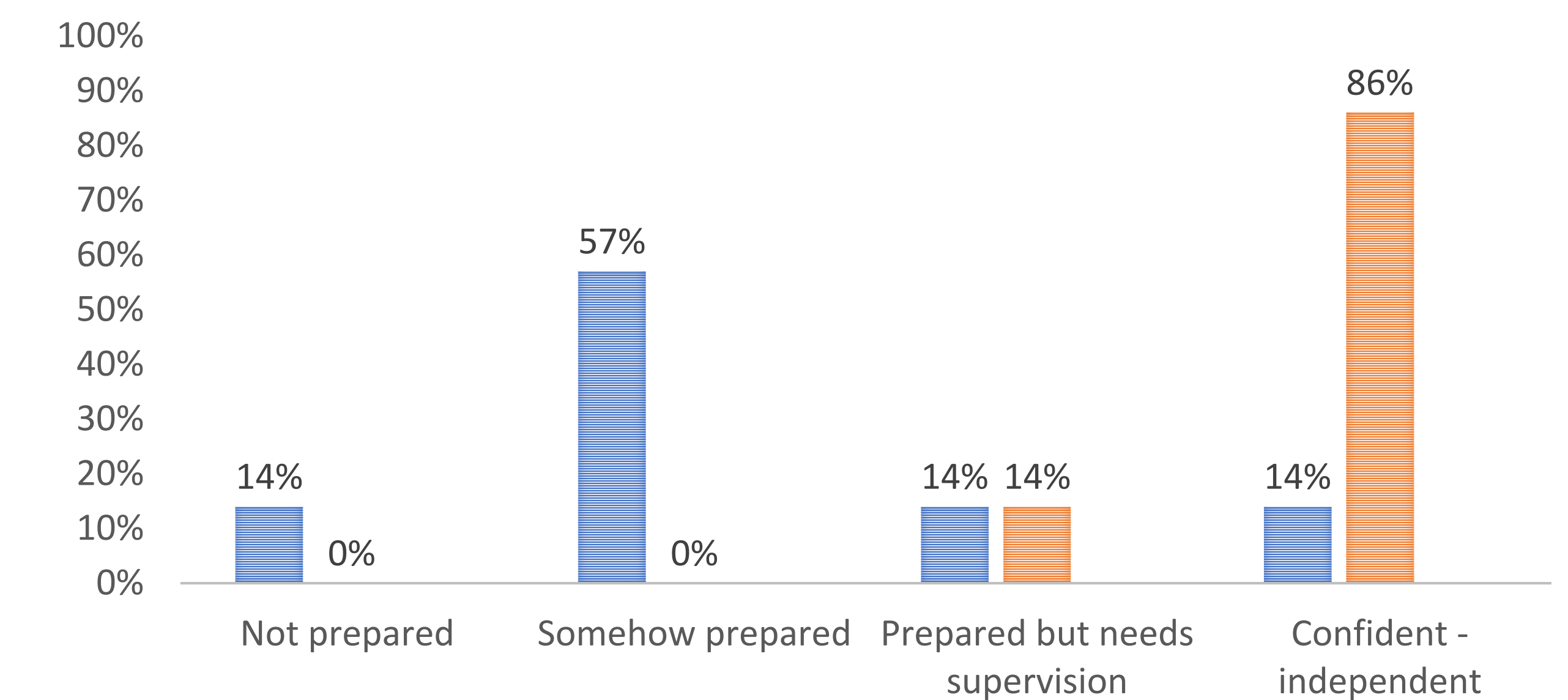


Figure 2: results pre and post workshop about end of life discussions

CONCLUSIONS

- **Positive feedback** from residents and acting interns about the Palliative Care Workshop.
- **100% agreement** from residents that the bootcamp will positively impact their practice.
- Attendees feel **more comfortable** delivering bad news to families. Increased confidence in having **end-of-life discussions**. Attendees feel better equipped to **lead family meetings**.

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