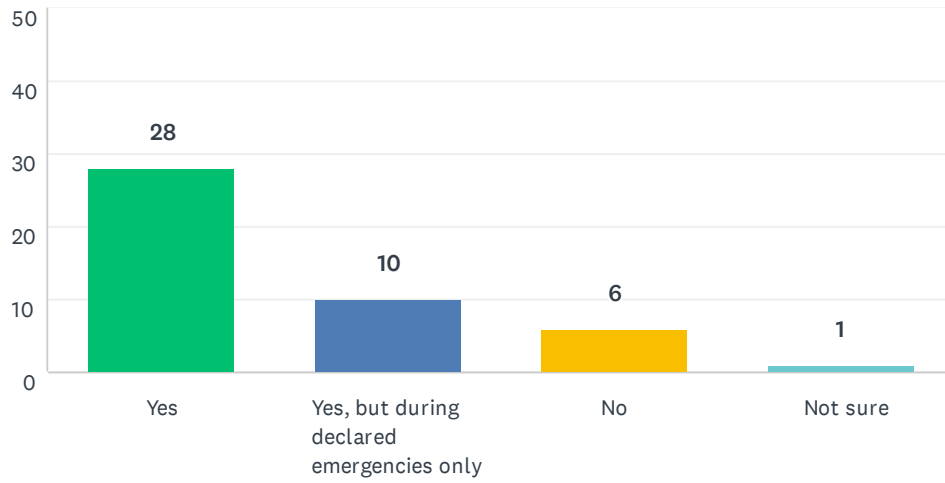


Q2 Are EMS providers in your state allowed to administer vaccines?

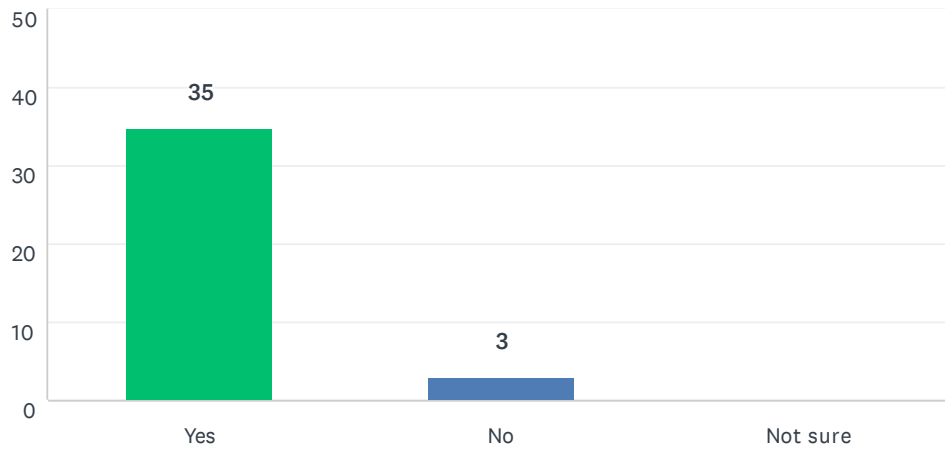
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	62%	28
Yes, but during declared emergencies only	22%	10
No	13%	6
Not sure	2%	1
TOTAL		45

Q3 Is vaccine administration limited to specific provider certification levels?

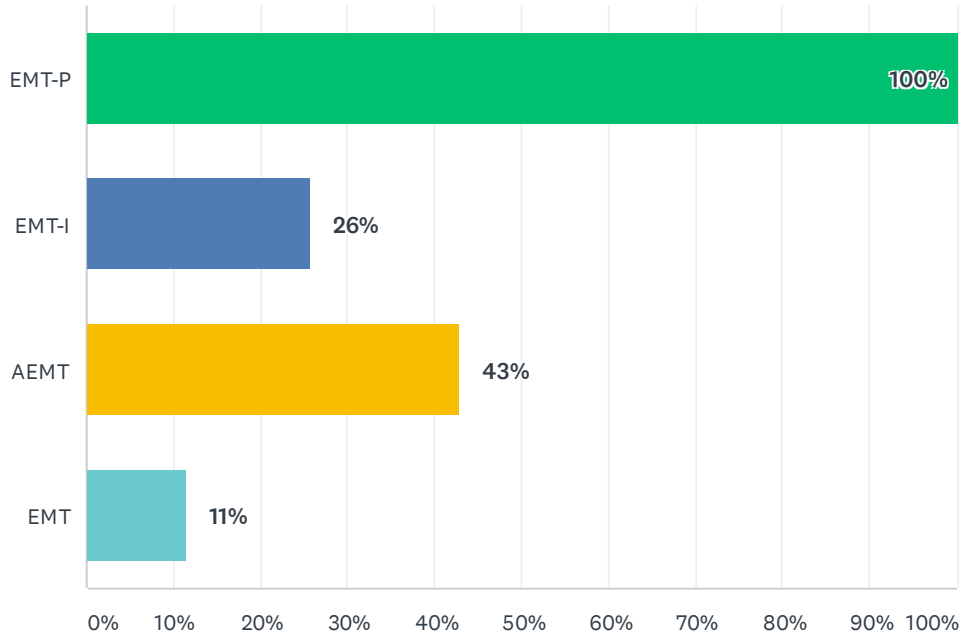
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	92%	35
No	8%	3
Not sure	0%	0
TOTAL		38

Q4 What levels are authorized to administer vaccines? Check all that apply

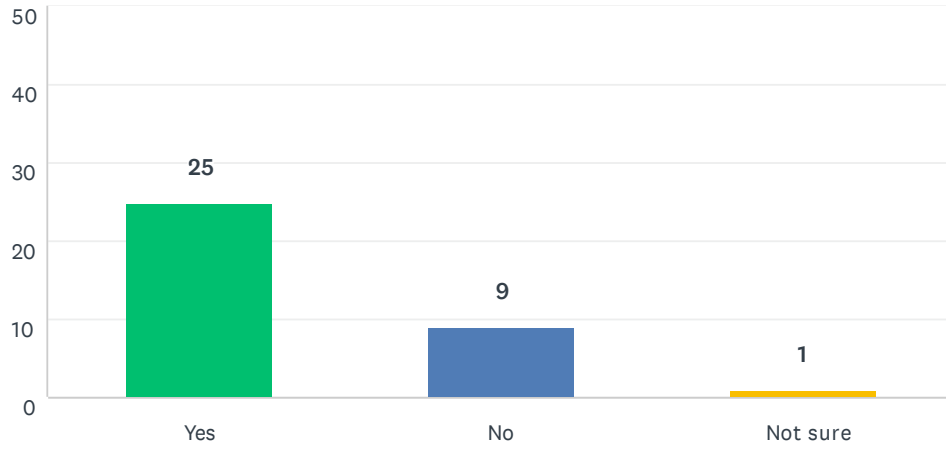
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
EMT-P	100%	35
EMT-I	26%	9
AEMT	43%	15
EMT	11%	4
Total Respondents: 35		

Q5 Is additional training and/or testing required to administer vaccines?

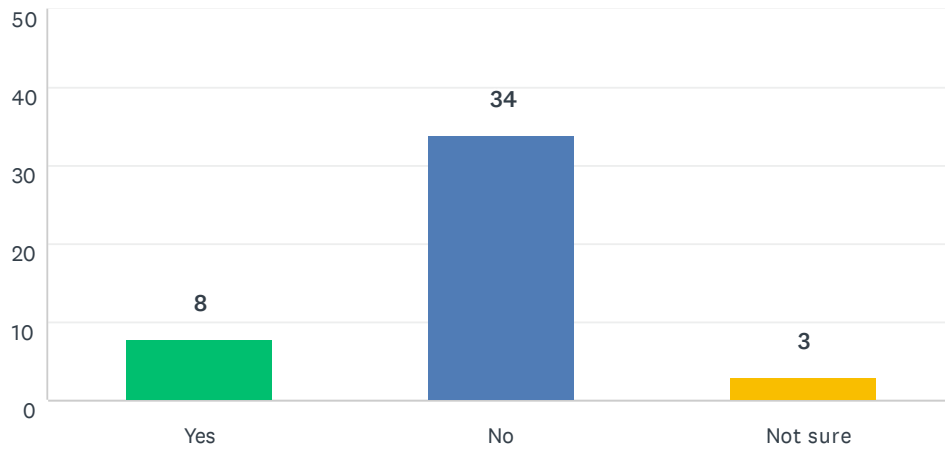
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	71%	25
No	26%	9
Not sure	3%	1
TOTAL		35

Q6 Are EMS providers in your state being asked to assist with childhood vaccines?

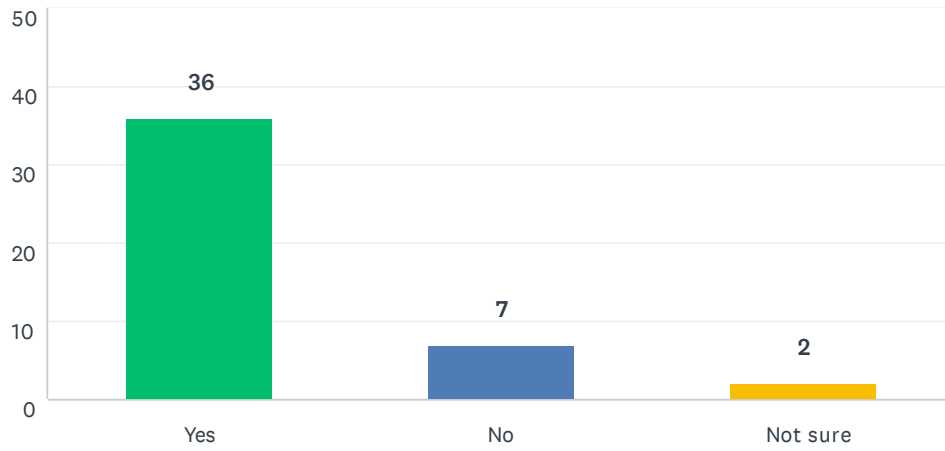
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	18%	8
No	76%	34
Not sure	7%	3
TOTAL		45

Q7 Are EMS providers conducting COVID-19 testing?

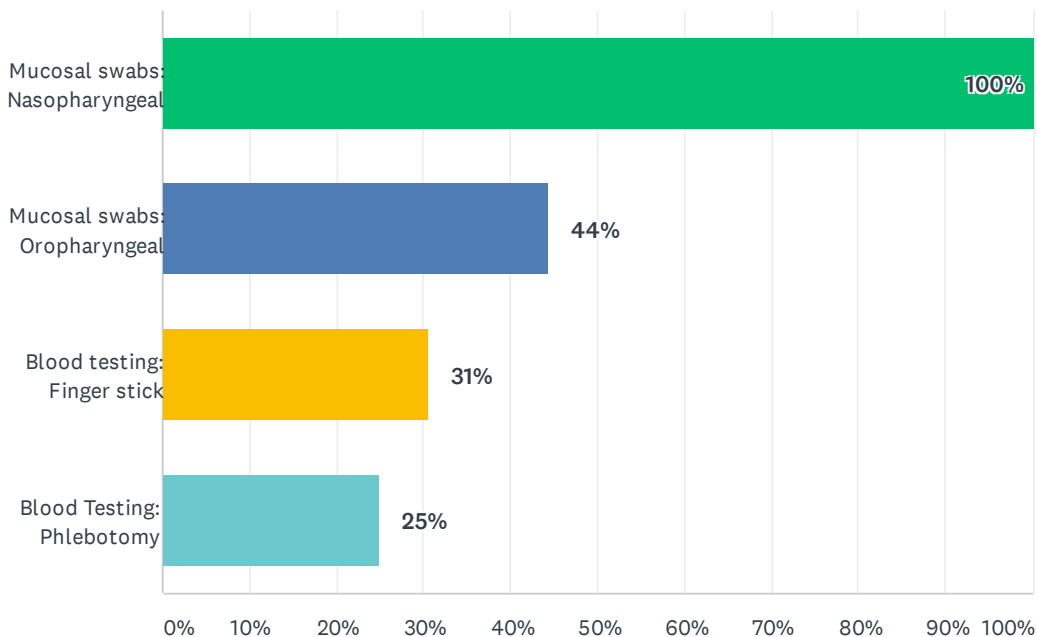
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	80%	36
No	16%	7
Not sure	4%	2
TOTAL		45

Q8 What types of COVID-19 testing are EMS providers conducting? (check all that apply)

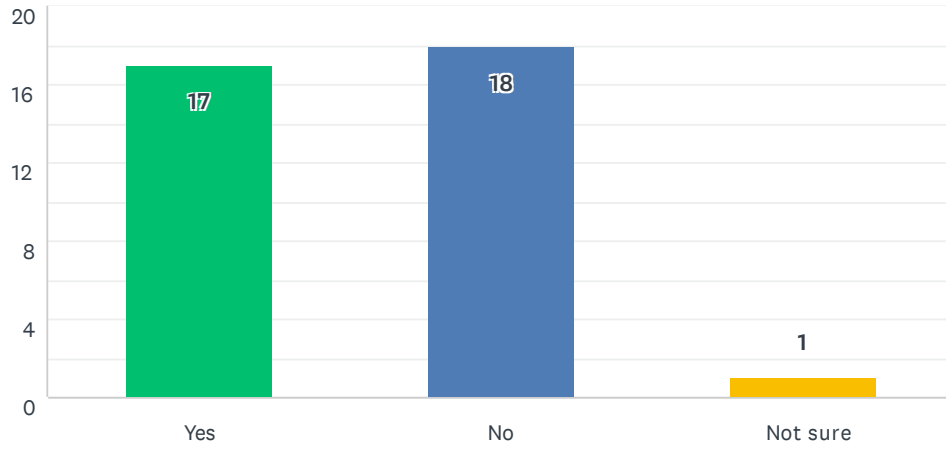
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Mucosal swabs: Nasopharyngeal	100%	36
Mucosal swabs: Oropharyngeal	44%	16
Blood testing: Finger stick	31%	11
Blood Testing: Phlebotomy	25%	9
Total Respondents: 36		

Q9 Is COVID-19 testing limited to certain provider levels?

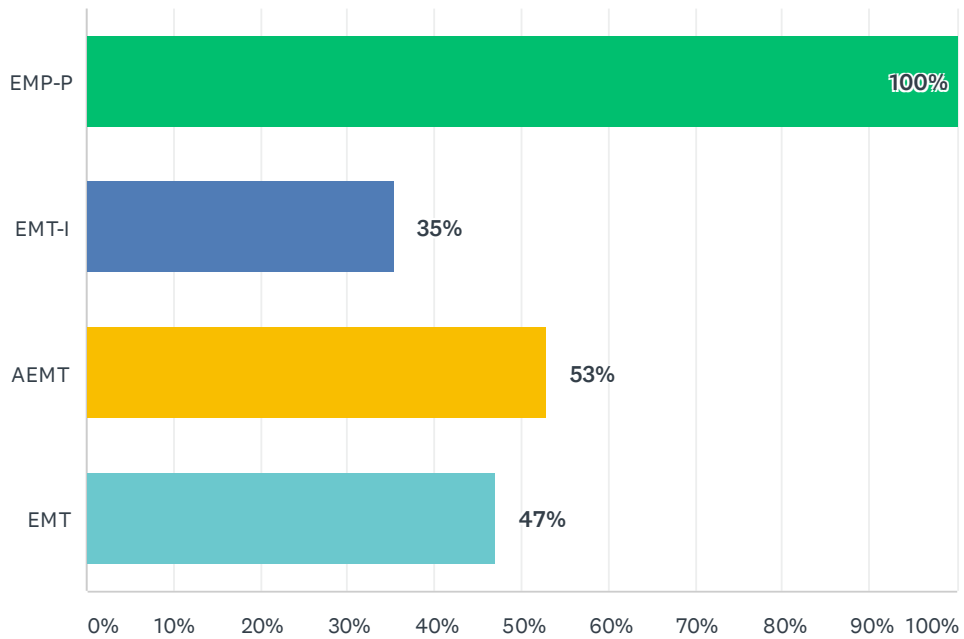
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	47%	17
No	50%	18
Not sure	3%	1
TOTAL		36

Q10 What levels are allowed to administer COVID-19 testing? (check all that apply)

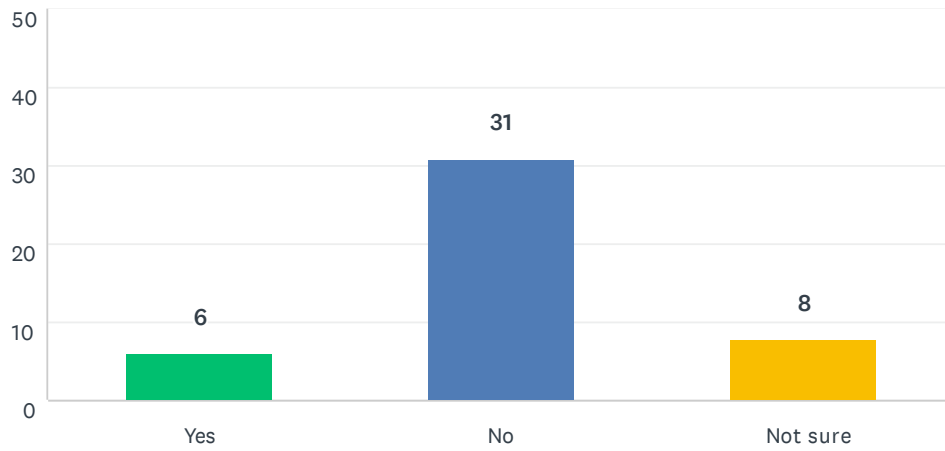
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
EMP-P	100%	17
EMT-I	35%	6
AEMT	53%	9
EMT	47%	8
Total Respondents: 17		

Q11 Are EMS providers being utilized as a resource to conduct contact tracing?

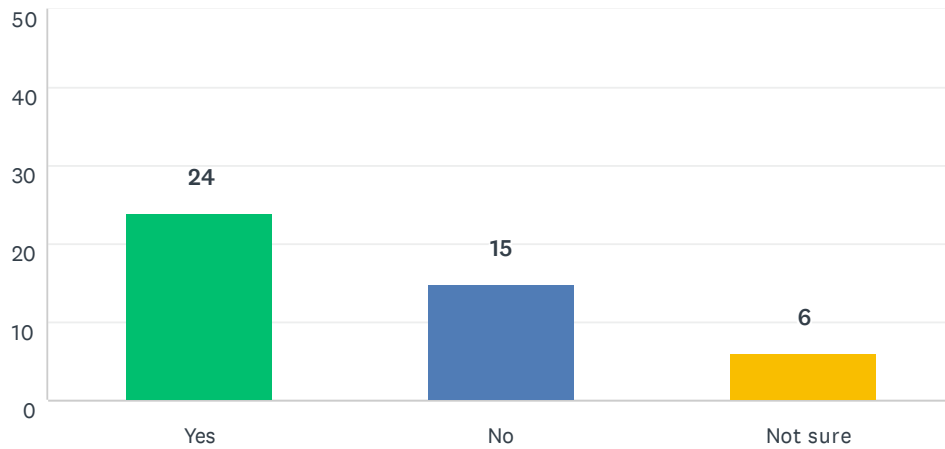
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	13%	6
No	69%	31
Not sure	18%	8
TOTAL		45

Q12 Are EMS providers being utilized as a component of "strike teams" for COVID-19 assessment/testing or training (e.g. PPE use)?

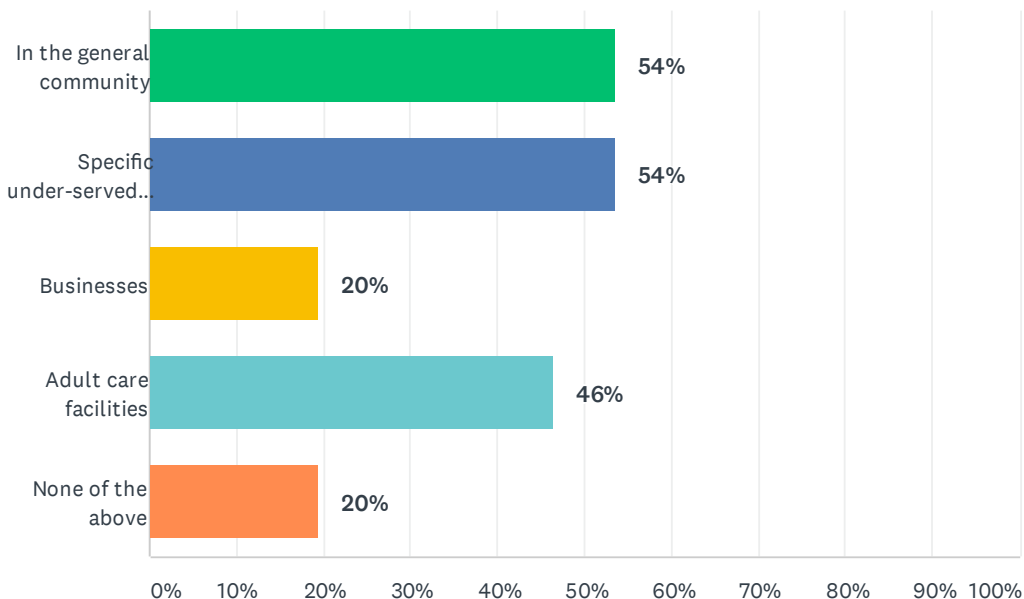
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53%	24
No	33%	15
Not sure	13%	6
TOTAL		45

Q13 Where are EMS providers being utilized for COVID-19 assessment/testing or training? (check all that apply)

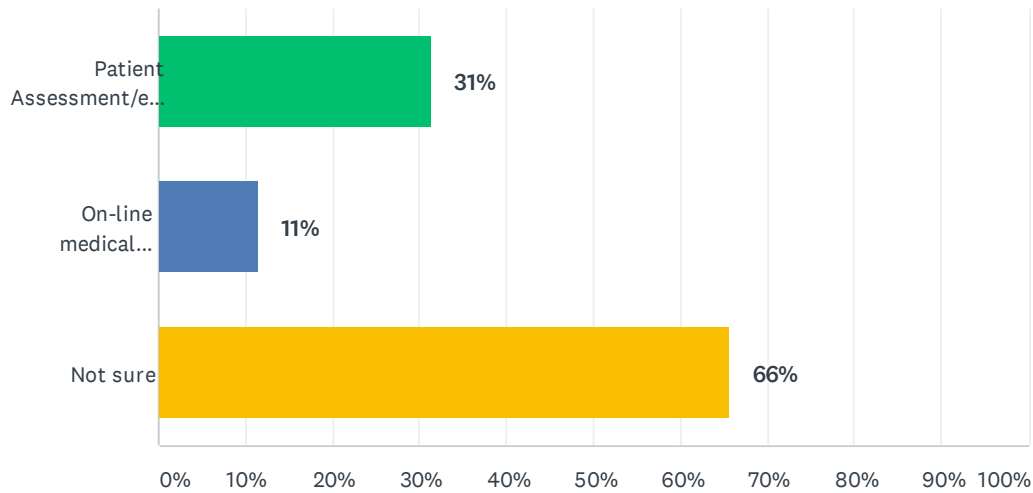
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
In the general community	54%	22
Specific under-served or at-risk groups	54%	22
Businesses	20%	8
Adult care facilities	46%	19
None of the above	20%	8
Total Respondents: 41		

Q14 Does your state Medicaid program provide payment options for: (check all that apply)

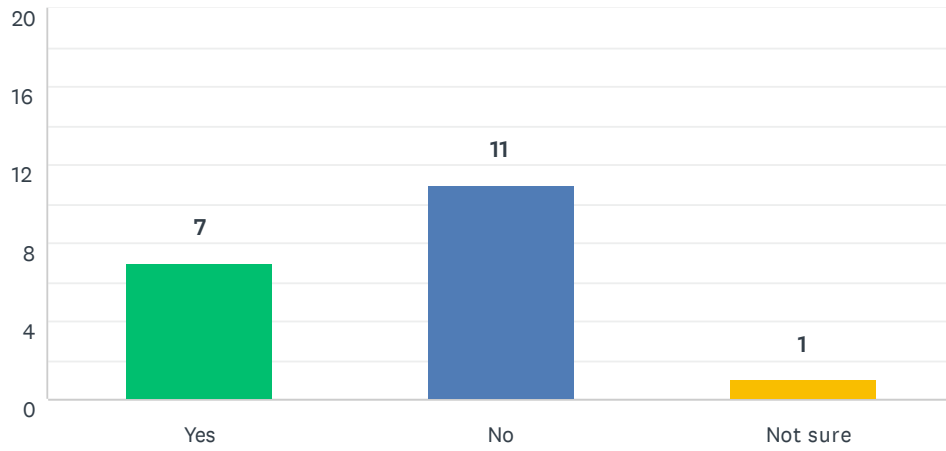
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Patient Assessment/evaluation without transport	31%	11
On-line medical command/telemedicine with EMS transport/destination decision-making	11%	4
Not sure	66%	23
Total Respondents: 35		

Q15 Does this Medicaid program pre-date the COVID pandemic?

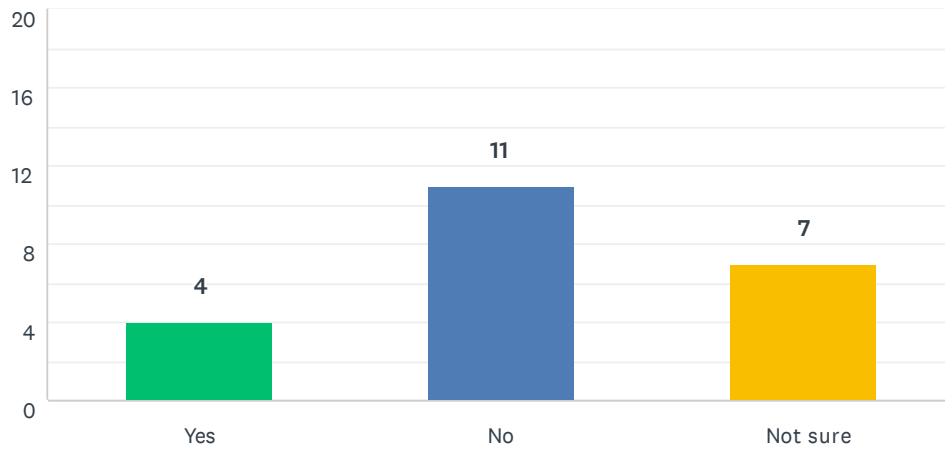
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	37%	7
No	58%	11
Not sure	5%	1
TOTAL		19

Q16 Have arrangements been made with private/commercial insurers for payment for similar services?

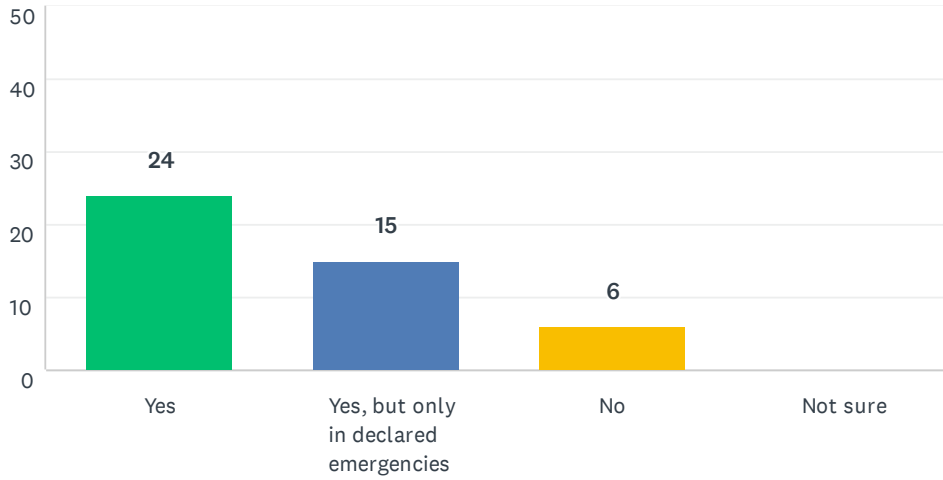
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	18%	4
No	50%	11
Not sure	32%	7
TOTAL		22

Q17 Are EMS agencies authorized to transport patients to alternate care destinations (i.e. other than licensed emergency departments)?

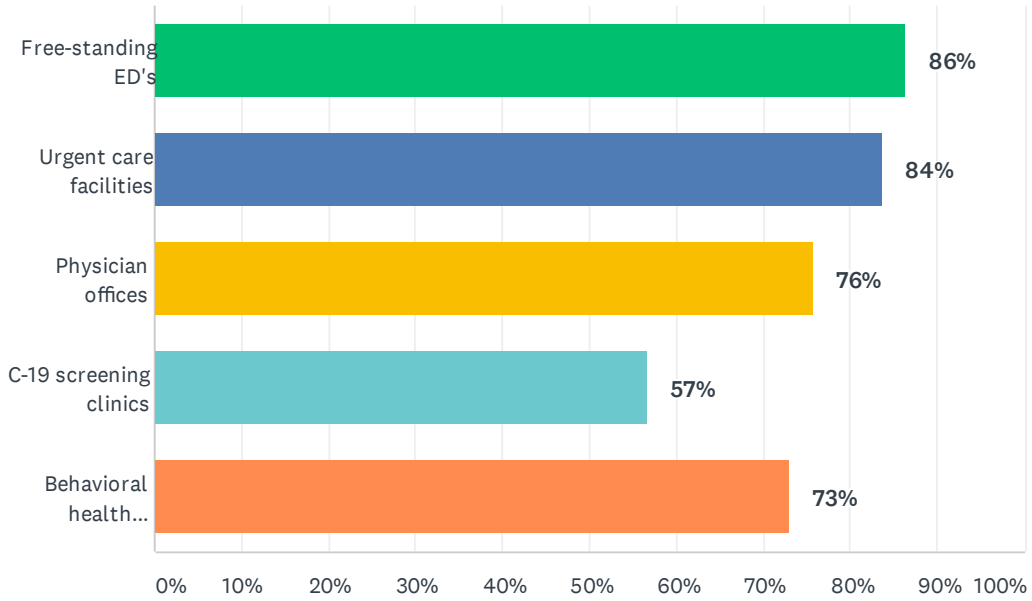
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	53%	24
Yes, but only in declared emergencies	33%	15
No	13%	6
Not sure	0%	0
TOTAL		45

Q18 What alternate care destinations are approved? (check all that apply)

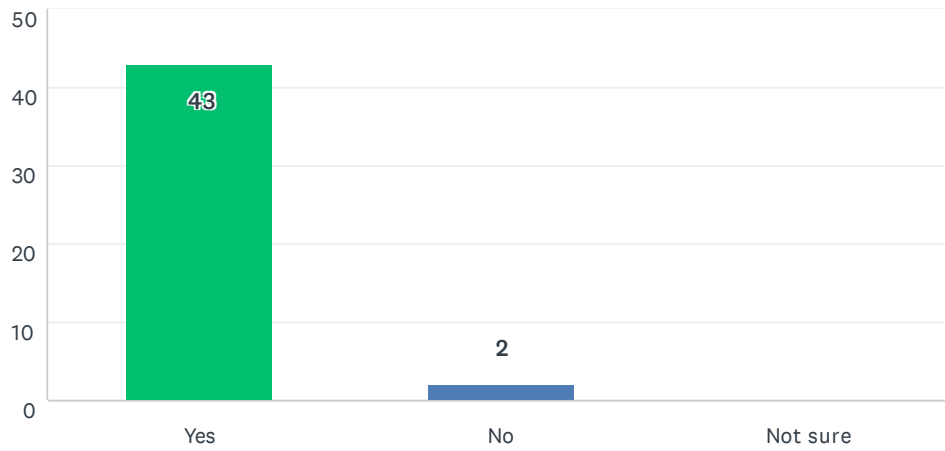
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Free-standing ED's	86%	32
Urgent care facilities	84%	31
Physician offices	76%	28
C-19 screening clinics	57%	21
Behavioral health facilities	73%	27
Total Respondents: 37		

Q19 Are EMS providers in your state authorized (i.e. within the scope of practice) to care of patients on mechanical ventilators?

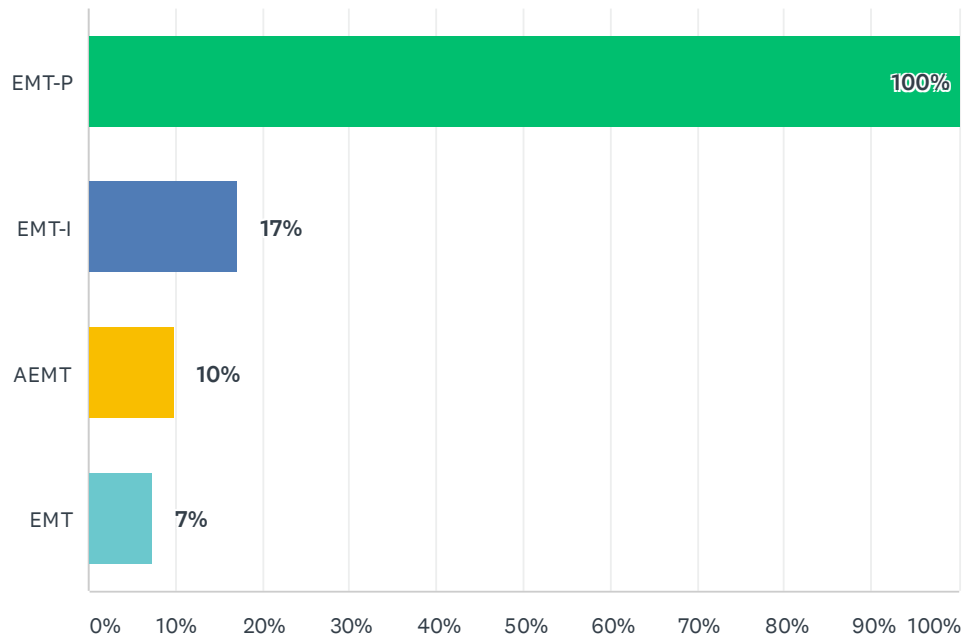
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	96%	43
No	4%	2
Not sure	0%	0
TOTAL		45

Q20 Which levels can provide care for acutely ventilated patients? (check all that apply)

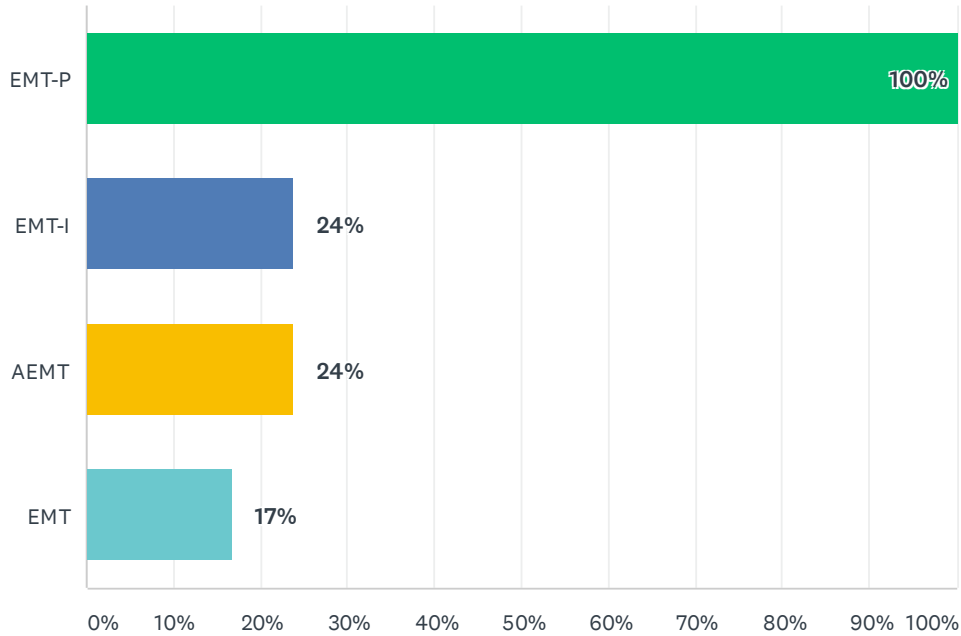
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
EMT-P	100%	41
EMT-I	17%	7
AEMT	10%	4
EMT	7%	3
Total Respondents: 41		

Q21 Which levels can provide care for long-term or established ventilator patients? (check all that apply)

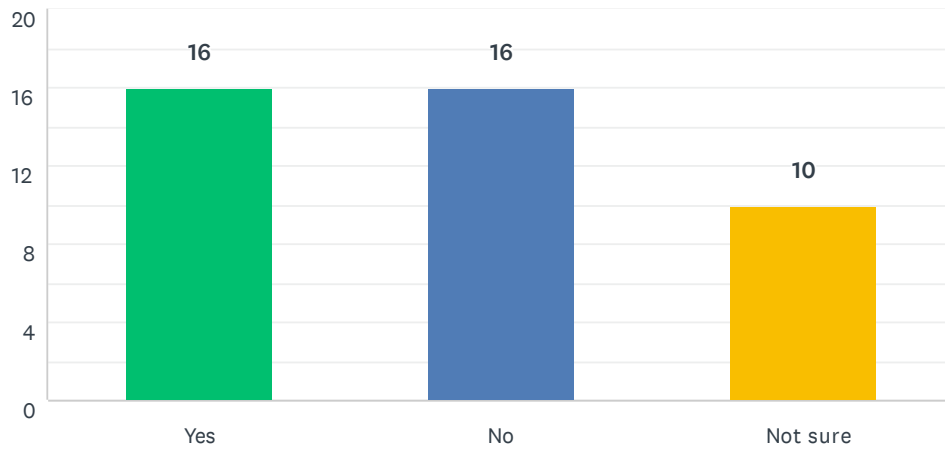
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ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
EMT-P	100%	42
EMT-I	24%	10
AEMT	24%	10
EMT	17%	7
Total Respondents: 42		

Q22 Have EMS providers received any additional training specific to COVID-19 patients on mechanical ventilators?

Answered: 42 Skipped: 3



ANSWER CHOICES	RESPONSES	
Yes	38%	16
No	38%	16
Not sure	24%	10
TOTAL		42

Q23 Please add any other comments regarding the issues addressed in this survey.

Answered: 17 Skipped: 28

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	no approval process for ACF destination but it is allowed - just not eliminated. The issue is if the EMS service will get paid	7/17/2020 1:34 PM
2	this survey should have COMMENTS section in each question because these are not yes / no questions. MOST of my responses have significant qualifiers and there is no mechanism to address them. 1. vaccines are given on a case by case basis with request from agency. there is no protocol for the state. 2 ventilators are encountered in 911 settings and those patients are managed via EMT-P. Ventilators for Interfacility Transports are permitted by EMT-P EMT-I 3 alternate destinations are permitted ONLY after a hospital provides an alternate site. no other alternate destination permitted.	7/17/2020 1:32 PM
3	Administration of vaccines must be within the Ohio EMS scope of practice (e.g. IM route for paramedics and AEMTs only, oral route for all levels of providers). Vaccination administration to an EMS provider does not require a declared emergency, but must be authorized by the local EMS medical director and the EMS agency supervisor. Currently, the only body fluid that can be collected and/or analyzed within the Ohio EMS scope of practice is blood. As such, COVID-19 testing via nasal swabs is not permitted at this time.	7/17/2020 1:31 PM
4	Immunizations require providers to complete a prerequisite, and COVID 19 testing required approval of a fast-track MIH program, which about 4 of our busier services applied for.	7/17/2020 12:44 PM
5	Just a note -- all levels of provider can do swab testing, but only P's can do phlebotomy testing.	7/14/2020 11:34 AM
6	Questions 17 and 18 - Our ambulance services can transport to any destination but will not be able to receive reimbursement through Medicaid or most 3rd party insurers.	7/14/2020 11:27 AM
7	In Oklahoma, our certified and licensed emergency medical personnel (EMR to Paramedic) can work in prehospital settings and other health care settings (e.g. Clinics, Hospitals, Labs, etc.) . When working in the prehospital setting protocols must be approved by the Department and the agency medical director within a defined scope of practice. When working in other health care settings, emergency medical personnel must have a job description that defines their scope and duties. The job description is signed by a physician and retained at the place of employment. The Job Description does not need to be approved the Department.	7/14/2020 11:24 AM
8	To be clear on the Medicaid question, the pre-dating COVID and inclusion of commercial insurance relates only to payment to EMS agencies for treat and release. No payment to EMS EMS physicians.	7/14/2020 11:22 AM
9	We transport to alternate care sites based on approved State Plans.	7/14/2020 11:17 AM
10	EMT and Paramedics can both perform COVID Swabs, only paramedics can perform blood draw for COVID serology testing. EMS has received training on proning and avoidance of intubation for COVID-19 but not on ventilator management of COVID-19 unless provided by their local Medical Director. Florida only recognizes Paramedic and EMT levels.	7/9/2020 9:01 AM
11	Many of the questions should have had a comment box, they were not as easy an answer as yes/no. The big one is for vaccines. EMS providers are not allowed to administer vaccines however if the Commissioner of Health put a EO in place they would be able to. That has not happen before to my knowledge.	7/8/2020 2:09 PM
12	Ventilator question is tricky. We have limitations on which long-term ventilator patients may be handled by standard paramedic, critical care transport paramedic, and those requiring staff above that level (PHRN, etc.).	7/6/2020 12:12 PM
13	Iowa does not currently have an EMT-P level. Our highest level provider is Paramedic. The skills and procedures needed to administer vaccinations would fall within the paramedic Scope of Practice. The mechanical ventilator would fall into the Paramedic level scope of practice as well.	7/6/2020 10:34 AM
14	Texas is a medical delegation practice state so an EMS Agency medical directors sets the scope that an ems person can operate within	6/22/2020 2:33 PM
15	In MN regulations are based on the type of administration....ie all IM injections are considered the same so a vaccine vs a glucagon shot are the same skill. The medical director would have to have a protocol for the specific medication being injected. Our regulations would allow for EMS providers to collect COVID swabs with medical director approval since these tasks are not specifically identified in any regulations.	6/18/2020 1:04 AM

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16	As part of declaration of emergency, scope of practice was waived as part of rule waiver package. COVID testing via NP swab is covered under the rule waiver, but will expire once the rule waiver expires.	6/16/2020 2:33 PM
17	Ventilators are typically managed by providers with critical care certification, rarely a "regular" paramedic. Alternate destinations for EMS to behavioral health and certain clinics is allowed at all times. With our CSC, further destinations may be authorized (clinics, offices, alternate care sites).	6/12/2020 3:31 PM

Q24 Please add any other comments regarding the issues addressed in this survey.

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#	RESPONSES	DATE
1	<p>The vaccination question was hard to answer with provided choices. We are in the process of adding vaccination to the scope of practice. It does not have to be in a declared emergency. We have not yet developed training. Paramedics in some systems are allowed to give influenza vaccine (in our state, PMs are under the state medical board, not the EMS office so there are different SOPs). We are allowing for non-ED destination during COVID, mostly operational decisions having to do with transports to community established COVID housing. There is no CMS payment or third party payment of which I am aware for this</p>	7/17/2020 1:35 PM