



Nurses, Pharmacists, Therapists and Other Health Professional Surveys

SRBI has been conducting surveys of health professionals since our founding in 1981. These surveys have been conducted at the national, state and the community level, and have included surveys of corporate health officers, respiratory therapists, pharmacists, geneticists, nurses, veterinarians and hospital administrators, among others. Issues examined have included training and continuing education, diagnosis and disease management, reimbursement and professional standards. SRBI is an industry leader in attaining high response rates among these difficult-to-reach and sample populations. In addition, SRBI researchers are experienced in conducting qualitative research with health professionals in the development of quantitative research instruments.

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Case Studies:

Managing Genetic Information

SRBI has conducted a number of surveys of nurses, both as stand alone samples and as part of larger samples of health professionals. This study was a national telephone survey of 2,000 nurses for the American Nurses Association under a grant from the Human Genome Initiative at NIH. This study examined the role of nurses in collecting and recording genetic information from patients, counseling of patients on genetic diseases and testing, and their knowledge and training in this area.

National Needs Assessment of COPD in the United States: 2003

In 2003, SRBI conducted this study on behalf of the National Coalition on COPD, a network of COPD patient organizations. This survey included a list sample of respiratory therapists who received a four-page mail questionnaire. The study design allowed comparisons of the attitudes and disease management practices for COPD between the respiratory therapists, two physician populations, and patient reports from the parallel survey of patients with COPD.

Recent Study Examples:

- VA Learners' Perception Survey (Medical Students, Medical Residents, Nurses, Social Workers, and other Health Professionals)
- NCI Assessment of Health Care Provider Training in Smoking Cessation Techniques (Nurses)
- Tracking Study of Utilization Review Services
- Asthma in America (Nurses and Pharmacists)
- Irritable Bowel Syndrome in American Women (Nurses and Pharmacists)
- National Survey of Hospices
- Survey of Students, Faculty and Staff for Columbia Presbyterian Medical Center
- Beyond Diagnosis: A National Survey on the Management and Treatment of Depression (Therapists and Counselors)
- Genetic Screening in the Workplace
- And many others