

# Connection Between Workforce Confidence and Patient Experience

### **INSIGHT 1**

Workforce Confidence in the Patient Experience at their Organization Of the 10,945 respondents to the workforce confidence question, 24.2% rate their organization top box (9 or 10 for Best Possible Hospital). Senior leaders report the highest degree of confidence in the patient experience provided at 28.8% top box, while staff report the lowest degree of confidence at 23.5% top

box and the highest percentage of perceptions of being the Worst Possible Hospital (0 to 6) at 31.9% (see Table).

| Role          |               | Department          |               | Tenure       |               |
|---------------|---------------|---------------------|---------------|--------------|---------------|
|               | <b>% 9-10</b> |                     | <b>% 9-10</b> |              | <b>% 9-10</b> |
| Staff         | 23.5%         | Non-Clinical        | 28.3%         | <1 Yr        | 31.4%         |
| Leader        | 27.9%         | Ancillary/Support   | 20.9%         | 1 - <3 Yrs   | 22.3%         |
| Senior Leader | 28.8%         | Business/Ops        | 22.4%         | 3 - <5 Yrs   | 21.3%         |
| Physician     | 26.7%         | Direct Patient Care | 24.0%         | 5 - <10 Yrs  | 22.3%         |
| Unidentified  | 30.8%         | Other               | 23.7%         | 10 - <15 Yrs | 23.3%         |
| Total         | 24.2%         | Total               | 24.2%         | ≥15 Yrs      | 24.5%         |
|               |               |                     |               | Total        | 24.2%         |

#### Measuring the Confidence: What question was used to measure workforce and patient confidence?

#### • Patient Confidence:

HCAHPS Survey Overall Rating Audience: Patients Discharged

Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst hospital possible and 10 is the best hospital possible, what number would you use to rate this hospital during your stay?

#### • Workforce Confidence:

Patient-Centered Excellence Survey Overall Rating

Audience: Healthcare Workforce

Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst hospital possible and 10 is the best hospital possible, what number would you use to rate the patient experience at your organization?



# **INSIGHT 2**

# Patient Perception of the Patient Experience

Across the 41 hospitals, 67.4% of patients surveyed rate their hospital a 9 or 10 (where 10 is the Best Hospital Possible), 22.1% rated their hospital a 7 or 8, and 10.7% rated their hospital a 6 or below.

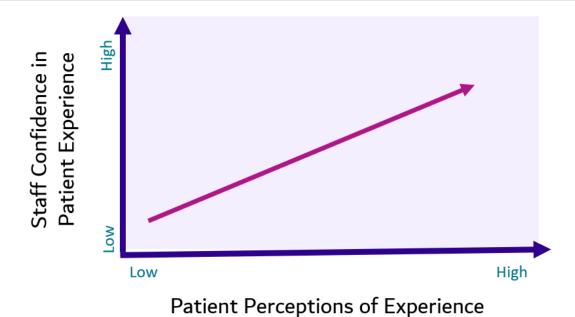
## FINAL INSIGHT

The Link Between Workforce Confidence and Patient Perception

Patients have a higher perception of the patient experience than the workforce by a difference of 43.2%. While workforce perceptions of Overall Rating average 24.2%top box, patients report a percent top box of 67.4%. For the majority of organizations, there is a 30% to 50% gap between workforce perceptions and

patient perceptions; for instance, a hospital whose workforce responds with 16% top box receives a patient rating of 54% top box. Organizations with a higher degree of confidence in their perceptions of the patient experience have higher patient perceptions for Overall Rating on the HCAHPS survey.

#### When staff are more confident in the patient experience, patients report higher HCAHPS scores



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