

Healthcare Facts and Quotes

Safe Staffing Poll Results

ANA asked nurses to participate in a Safe Staffing Poll on its SafeStaffingSavesLives.org website. The results below reflect over 10,000 responses received from nurses between March 31 and May 12, 2008. These results clearly highlight the need for adequate nursing staffing and its importance in the deliver of quality patient care.

Are you currently considering leaving your position?

Yes 51.9%

No 48.1%

Source: 2008 The American Nurses Association, Inc.

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Top Challenges Facing Healthcare Executives in 2007

The following issues were rated on a scale of 1 to 5 (1 being least challenging, 5 being most challenging) by a panel of healthcare executives and are based on highest average rating on the scale.

Issue Average rating on 1 to 5 scale:

1. Severe staffing shortages 3.93
2. Inadequate reimbursement 3.81
3. Productivity management 3.80
4. Managing premium internal labor costs 3.71
5. Patient satisfaction 3.69
6. Revenue enhancement 3.56
7. Quality compliance/patient safety 3.53
8. Rising insurance costs 3.51
9. Governmental regulations and mandates 3.38
10. Capacity 3.19

Source: 2008 Nursefinders

Quarterly Nursing Staffing Survey

Arlington, TX