

Table 1 Characteristics of general practitioners in Karachi stratified by type of medical college attended

Variable	Public sector medical college (n = 330) <sup>a</sup>		Private sector medical college (n = 30) <sup>a</sup>		Total (n = 360) <sup>a</sup>	
	No.	%	No.	%	No.	%
<i>Mean (SD) age in years</i>	45 (10.5)		42 (11.2)		44 (10.4)	
<i>Sex</i>						
Male	284	87.4	27	90.0	311	87.9
Female	41	12.6	2	6.7	43	12.1
<i>Year of graduation</i>						
1950-60	2	0.6	0	0.0	2	0.6
1961-70	8	2.5	2	6.7	10	2.8
1971-80	44	13.5	3	10.0	47	13.2
1981-90	119	36.5	6	20.0	125	35.1
1991-2000	104	31.9	10	33.3	114	32.0
After 2001	49	15.0	9	30.0	58	16.3
<i>Nature of clinic/centre</i>						
Private practice	316	95.8	26	86.7	342	95.0
Welfare service, affiliation with NGO	13	3.9	4	13.3	17	4.7
Other	1	0.3	0	0.0	1	0.3
<i>Third party payment/panel patients</i>						
Yes	49	15.0	4	13.3	53	14.8
No	278	85.0	26	86.7	304	85.2
<i>Proportion of psychiatric patients seen in practice</i>						
None	43	13.5	2	6.7	45	12.9
≤ 10%	228	71.7	22	73.3	250	71.8
11%-25%	32	10.1	4	13.3	36	10.3
26%-50%	12	3.8	2	6.7	14	4.0
> 50%	3	0.9	0	0.0	3	0.9
<i>No. of patients with diagnosis of depression seen daily</i>						
0	21	6.4	1	3.3	22	6.2
1-5	240	73.4	19	63.3	259	72.5
6-10	42	12.8	7	23.3	49	13.7
11-15	13	4.0	1	3.3	14	3.9
> 16	11	3.4	2	6.7	13	3.6

<sup>a</sup>Data were missing in some categories.

SD = standard deviation; NGO = nongovernmental organization.