

Table 3 Management of request for advice for a patient with acute diarrhoea: history taking and information given about medication by type of community pharmacy

Variable	History taking ^a				Medication information			
	No. of pharmacies visited	Median scale score ^a	<i>H</i> -test	<i>P</i> -value ^b	No. of pharmacies visited	Median scale score ^a	<i>H</i> -test	<i>P</i> -value ^b
City			6.43	0.04			30.60	< 0.001
Islamabad	118	9			118	8		
Peshawar	120	9			120	8		
Lahore	133	9			133	10		
Location of pharmacy			7.49	0.02			0.035	0.982
Near hospital	159	9			159	9		
Supermarket	137	9			137	9		
Small market	75	9			75	9		
Type of provider			11.87	0.002			1.986	0.370
Salesperson	361	9			361	9		
Pharmacist	8	7			8	9		
Pharmacy assistant	2	8.5			2	8		

^aRange 5–10; ^bKruskal–Wallis test.