Afternoon ward rounds – a regional evaluation of medical wards

Individual form for each doctor (from FY1 up to SHO) surveyed please.

Total no. of doctors on ward including you (F1,SHO only): _____ (So we can calculate what % surveyed)

Please only include consultant ward rounds and those you would consider to be the 'main' rounds (ie. As opposed to a registrar or consultant reviewing selected patients)

How frequently are you involved in ward rounds which <u>start</u> after 1 PM? (As opposed to morning ward rounds which have late finishes?) (Please circle)

If you do undertake afternoon ward rounds, how often do these contribute to a late finish (after 5PM or your contracted hours) for any member of the team?

Daily 3-5 times / week 1-2 / week 3-4/ month 1-2 / month <1/month Never

If you do undertake afternoon ward rounds, to what extent do you agree with the following statements:

"Afternoon ward rounds contribute to delayed discharge of patients."

Strongly disagree Disagree Don't know Agree Strongly agree

"Afternoon ward rounds contribute to reduced communication with relatives."

Strongly disagree Disagree Don't know Agree Strongly agree

"The junior doctors on this ward could work more efficiently if ward rounds all began promptly at the start of the day."

Strongly disagree Disagree Don't know Agree Strongly agree

"Afternoon ward rounds detrimentally affect our sense of satisfaction / fulfilment with the job."

Strongly disagree Disagree Don't know Agree Strongly agree

"The prospect of a lifetime of afternoon ward rounds makes hospital medicine seem less appealing as a career choice."

Strongly disagree Disagree Don't know Agree Strongly agree

Any other comments:

Many thanks for allowing us to anonymously collect this information as part of a service evaluation. Any comments please contact carpenter.alexander@gmail.com