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European Survey in Social Disparities in Cancer
Preliminary Results

ECPC Annual Congress, Brussels

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Objectives

- Need to build a better picture of social disparities in Europe
- Better knowledge on the current state of a range of social and employment issues
- Advocacy at EU level and empowerment at national level
- Pinpoint social issues that affect both patients and carers

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Europe of Social Disparities

- In **2015**, the European Cancer Patient Coalition published a Position Paper titled **"Challenging the Europe of Disparities in Cancer".**
- In **2018**, ECPC worked with the European Organisation for Research and Treatment of Cancer (**EORTC**) and our Members to map the legal provisions in social and employment law afforded to people with cancer, and their carers.
- In **2019**, ECPC will use these data to produce a **White Paper** on "**Challenging the Europe of Social Disparities in Cancer**".

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Methodology

- Joint Survey ECPC – EORTC
- Focus on cancer patients, survivors and carers
- Survey developed by the ECPC Legal Network for Cancer Patients
- Survey Monkey and individual follow up
- Results verified and guaranteed

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- **Countries that have responded with guaranteed answers:**

1. Greece
2. Spain
3. Romania
4. Italy
5. United Kingdom
6. Finland
7. Czech Republic
8. Denmark
9. Croatia
10. France
11. Belgium
12. Slovenia
13. Estonia
14. Latvia
15. Hungary
16. Cyprus
17. Malta

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- **Countries that have responded and we have contacted a guarantor**
  1. Lithuania
  2. Poland
  3. Portugal
  4. Ireland
  5. Switzerland
  6. The Netherlands
  7. Bulgaria

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- **Countries with insufficient answers**
  1. Armenia
  2. Norway
  3. Germany

- **Countries with no answers**

1. Austria
2. Luxemburg
3. Slovakia
4. Sweden

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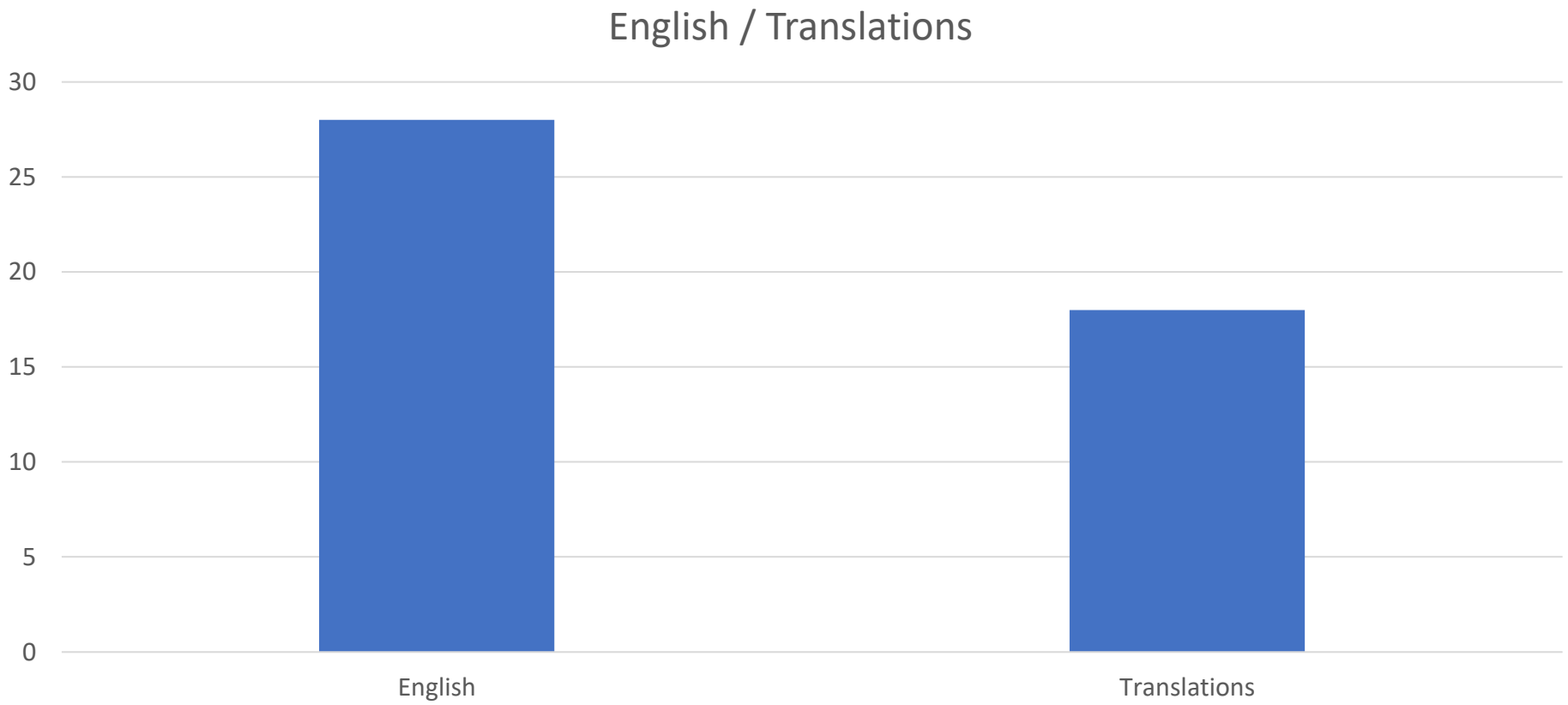
Respondents and results



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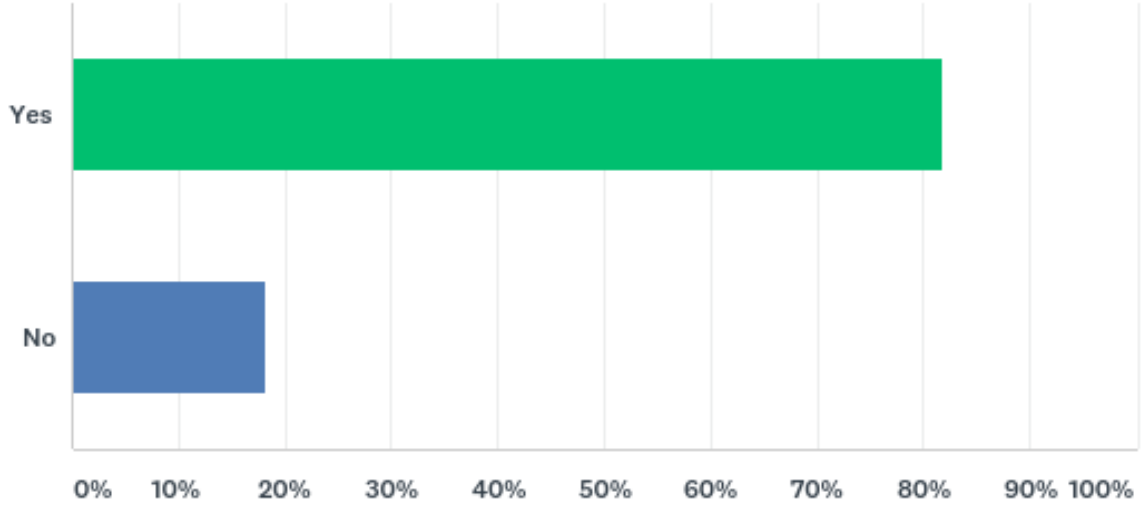
Interim results

Q2 Can a patient undergo a procedure for the assessment of a disability status?



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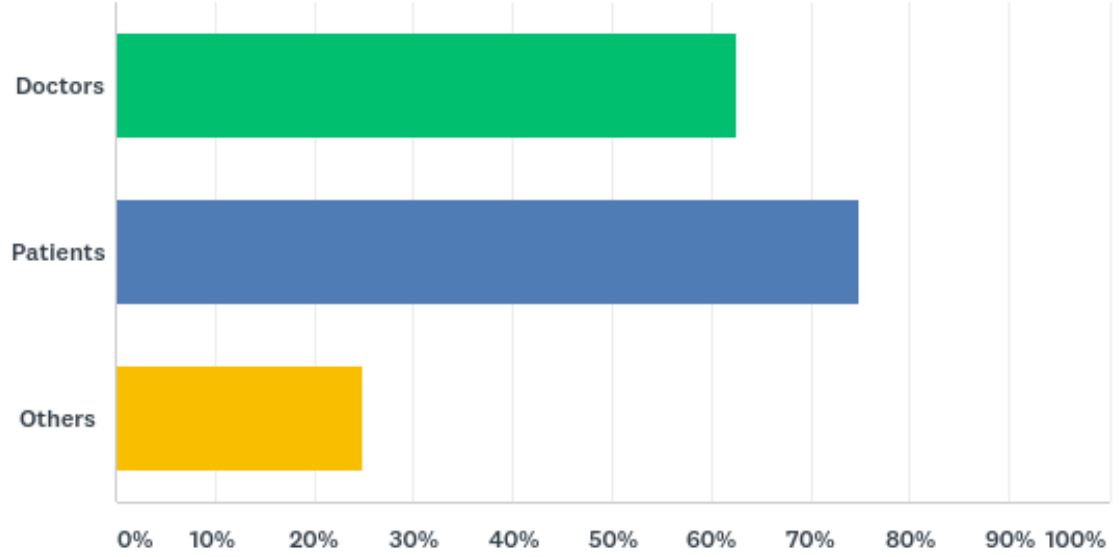
Interim results

Q5 If applicable, who is eligible to initiate the procedure?



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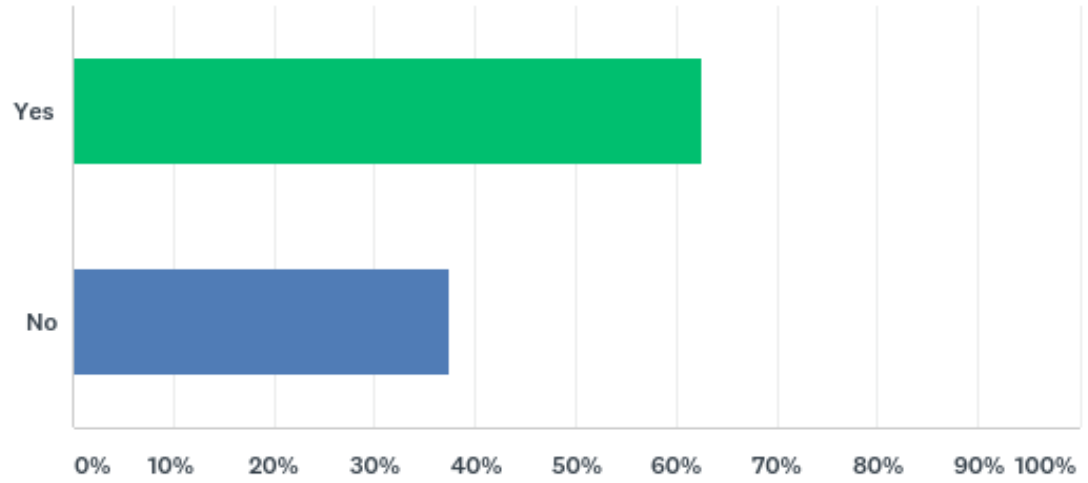
Interim results

Q7 Does the disability assessment depend on the employment status?



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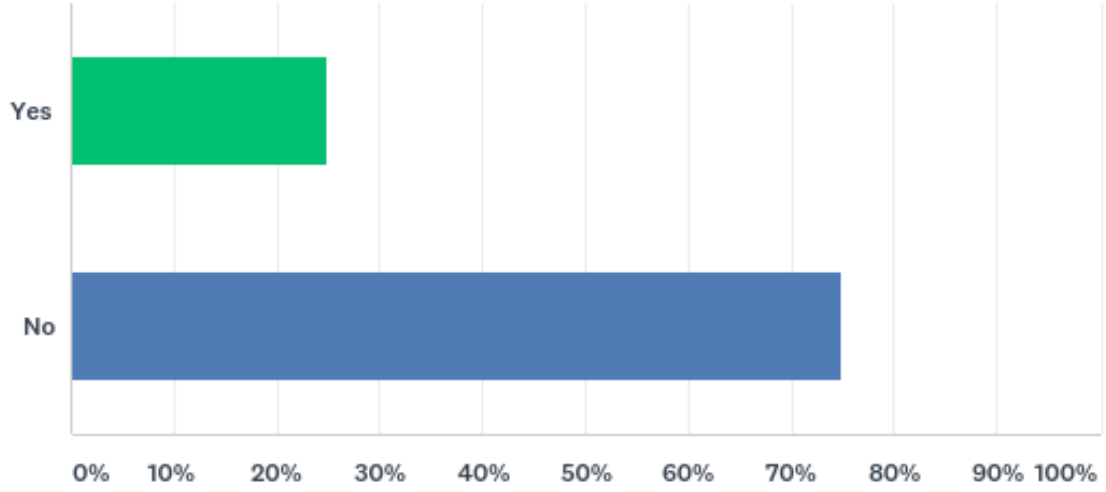
Interim results

Q24 Is the carer of a cancer patient entitled to pension benefits in compensation of the time spent out of work and to what extent?



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Nothing about us, without us!