2011 YourSay Workplace Survey

Facility Report

Sydney Local Health District

This Report

This report provides Sydney Local Health District with data from the 2011 YourSay Workplace Survey. It summarises staff views and presents comparative data to help put the results into perspective.

Response Rates

The Actual Responses gives the total number of valid surveys that were returned for this facility.

The Estimated Response Rate quoted in this report is an estimate only, based on Full Time Equivalent (FTE) staff as at 27 April 2011. This figure does not include contractors, agency staff and volunteers, nor does it account for staff on secondment or extended leave, hence the estimated response rate is not accurate.

The final estimated response rates have been weighted to account for our part-time and temporary staff.

The estimated response rates for individual facilities cannot be provided where the actual number of surveys received exceeded the nominated FTE for that facility. This error could be from an incorrect FTE value being used and/or errors in self selection when completing the survey.

Confidence Intervals

Confidence intervals have been calculated on the total facility responses (within a 5% error rating). If the CI is less than 5% these responses are a representative sample of this facility population.

If the CI is greater than 5% these responses are a snapshot of the views of staff at this facility, as opposed to being a representative sample.

Results

Where results are shown as positive percentages (% Positive), these are calculated by adding together positive responses ("Strongly Agree" + "Agree") and dividing by the number of respondents which answered the question.

Results are presented as whole numbers for ease of reading, with rounding performed at the last stage of calculation for maximum accuracy. Therefore in some instances, results may not total 100%.

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Comparative data

Comparative data is the average % positive score achieved from all NSW Health organisations that participated in the 2011 Workplace Survey.

Anonymity

It is ORC International's practice not to allow the breakdown of groups to the extent where the anonymity of individuals may be compromised. Results for teams with less than ten will not receive an individual report. However, their data will still contribute to the scores for their group and the organisation overall.

Summary responses for each question by demographic data is not provided where there are less than ten respondents from each demographic.

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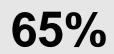


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ACTUAL RESPONSES



ESTIMATED RESPONSE RATE



ENGAGEMENT INDEX



WORKPLACE CULTURE INDEX

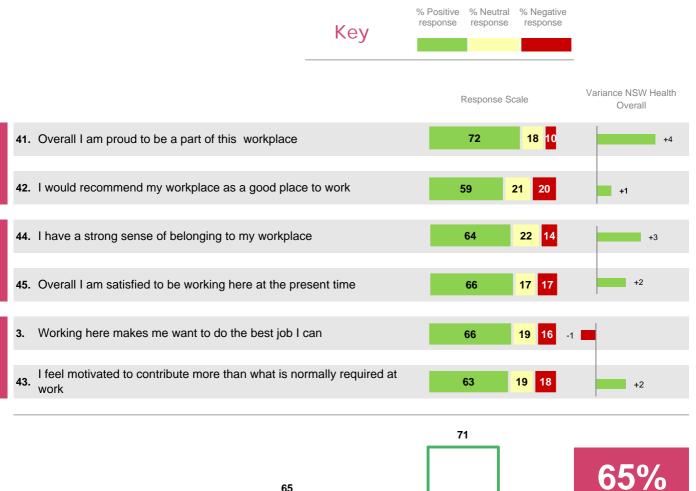


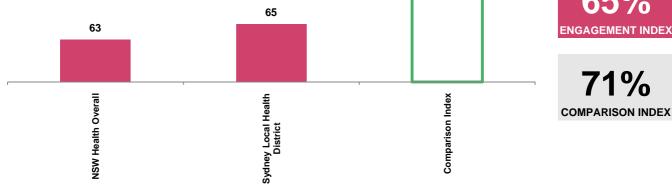
Employee Engagement Index

The Engagement Index is a measure of respondent's commitment to the organisation they work for. Engagement goes beyond satisfaction and can be defined as employees' willingness to invest their personal effort in the success of the organisation.

Say	The three elements of Employee Engagement Strongly advocating the organisation
Stay	An emotional commitment to the organisation and a desire to stay
Strive	Providing sustained additional effort in line with organisational goals

The following six questions have been identified as being most aligned to Employee Engagement. The Engagement Index is an average of the following scores:





Employee Workplace Culture Index

The Workplace Culture Index is a measure statistically constructed based on the NSW Health Workplace Culture Framework.

The following fifteen questions have been identified as being most aligned to Workplace Culture. The Workplace Culture Index is an average of the following scores:

		Кеу		Neutral % Neg sponse respo	
			Resp	oonse Scale	Variance from NSW Health Overall
11.	Morale is good in my team		50	20 30	+4
12.	I believe I am valued for what I can offer at my wor	rkplace	59	17 2	4 +1
13.	In my workplace, we recognise our successes and	linnovations	51	24 20	6 +1
14.	Staff are treated respectfully regardless of their job)	56	17 27	7 +1
17.	Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made b	y my line manager	59	19 2	2 +1
18b.	The senior managers at my workplace have a clear future	ar direction for the	31	33 35	-1 🔳
18c.	The senior managers at my workplace lead by exa positive workplace	ample in creating a	34	29 38	0
20.	Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made b managers	by my senior	35	31 35	-1
22.	I have a say in decisions which affect my work		42	24 34	+1
23.	I think it is safe to speak up and challenge the way	things are done	46	20 34	0
24.	Where I work, we share the lessons learnt when m	nistakes are made	59	18 2	+6
28.	I have confidence in the processes that my workpl staff conflict	ace uses to resolve	41	24 35	+4
38.	My team's objectives/work plans are clearly outline	ed	62	22	16 +2
39.	Our objectives/work plans help us to deliver a qual	lity service	63	21	15 +3
46.	Overall, I believe the culture at my workplace has in 12 months	improved in the last	31	<mark>35 34</mark>	+2
	46 48		58		48%
	NSW Health Overall Sydney Local Health District		Comparison Index		58%

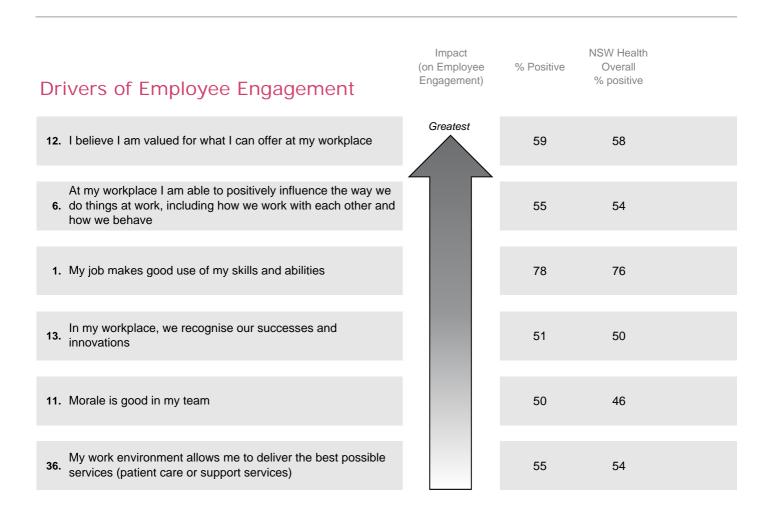
COMPARISON INDEX

Drivers of Engagement

A statistical technique known as Key Driver Analysis (KDA) has been used to help focus on those aspects of working for this organisation which have the greatest impact on Employee Engagement. The dashboard below shows the questions with the greatest impact on Employee Engagement for Sydney Local Health District overall. These questions are not necessarily the lowest performers, rather the questions having the greatest impact on engagement for Sydney Local Health District as a whole.

The questions derived from the KDA should be used to guide the action planning process following the survey, as taking effective action in these areas should have a positive impact on Employee Engagement. This information should also be used in conjunction with the rest of the questions included in the survey.

The questions are listed below in descending order of greatest impact on engagement.



Highlights and Lowlights

This section shows the three highest scoring sections and five highest scoring questions (Highlights). It also shows the three lowest scoring sections and the five lowest scoring questions (Lowlights).

Highlights

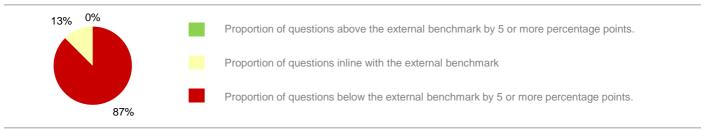
Sections	% Positive
Training and Development Opportunities	69
Your Workplace	59
Your Line Manager	59
Questions	% Positive
 I am given the opportunity to complete my annual mandatory training requirements e.g. Fire safety, DETECT (Between the Flags) as a part of my every day work 	78
1. My job makes good use of my skills and abilities	78
41. Overall I am proud to be a part of this workplace	72
15d. My line manager treats me with respect	72
25. I have received the appropriate training and development to do my job effectively	71

Lowlights

Sections	% Positive
Senior Managers	35
Communication	48
Work Environment	54
Questions	% Positive
4. Too many approvals are required for routine decisions*	13
40. At my workplace we are too focused on monitoring rather than delivering services*	25
18b. The senior managers at my workplace have a clear direction for the future	31
46. Overall, I believe the culture at my workplace has improved in the last 12 months	31
18c. The senior managers at my workplace lead by example in creating a positive workplace	34

This section shows comparisons between Sydney Local Health District and the Australian and International Health Sector comparisons. The comparative data has been drawn from random sampling of 1,065 Australian, 376 UK and 468 Canadian health care employees in both the public and private sectors.

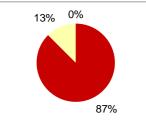
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		% Positive	Variance from Australian and International Health Sector benchmark % Positive
26.	I am given the opportunity to complete my annual mandatory training requirements e.g. Fire safety, DETECT (Between the Flags) as a part of my every day work	78	+1
40.	At my workplace we are too focused on monitoring rather than delivering services*	25	-3
4.	Too many approvals are required for routine decisions*	13	-3
44.	I have a strong sense of belonging to my workplace	64	-3
43.	I feel motivated to contribute more than what is normally required at work	63	-3
15d.	My line manager treats me with respect	72	-3
37.	In my workplace patient safety is at the centre of all decision making	67	-5
41.	Overall I am proud to be a part of this workplace	72	-5
22.	I have a say in decisions which affect my work	42	-6
15c.	My line manager ensures that when issues are raised in the team, they are addressed	58	-6
17.	Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my line manager	59	-6
24.	Where I work, we share the lessons learnt when mistakes are made	59	-6
32.	My workplace is proactive in minimising potential violence/abuse from patients or visitors	66	-7

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Proportion of questions above the external benchmark by 5 or more percentage points.

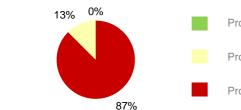
Proportion of questions inline with the external benchmark

Proportion of questions below the external benchmark by 5 or more percentage points.

		% Positive	Variance from Australian and International Health Sector benchmark % Positive
42.	I would recommend my workplace as a good place to work	59	-7
15b.	My line manager treats all staff in my team fairly	57	-7
45.	Overall I am satisfied to be working here at the present time	66	-7
1.	My job makes good use of my skills and abilities	78	-7
16.	I receive regular and constructive feedback on my performance	47	-7
25.	I have received the appropriate training and development to do my job effectively	71	-8
15a.	My line manager recognises and acknowledges when I have done my job well	60	-8
8.	In my team we generally acknowledge one another's efforts and achievements	68	-8
39.	Our objectives/work plans help us to deliver a quality service	63	-9
31.	Reasonable expectations are placed on staff according to their position	52	-9
11.	Morale is good in my team	50	-9
18a.	The senior managers at my workplace are aware of the issues I face in my job	40	-9
27.	I am encouraged to take opportunities to learn new skills and have new experiences	58	-9

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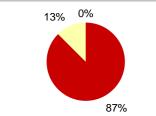
Proportion of questions inline with the external benchmark

Proportion of questions below the external benchmark by 5 or more percentage points.

	% Positive	Variance from Australian and International Health Sector benchmark % Positive
6. At my workplace I am able to positively influence the way we do things at work, including how we work with each other and how we behave	55	-9
14. Staff are treated respectfully regardless of their job	56	-9
46. Overall, I believe the culture at my workplace has improved in the last 12 months	31	-10
38. My team's objectives/work plans are clearly outlined	62	-10
30. There are mechanisms in place to support me if I experience stress or pressure	52	-10
19. There is a positive relationship between senior management and staff in my workplace	34	-10
 The people I work with are willing to help each other even if this means doing something outside their usual job 	63	-10
12. I believe I am valued for what I can offer at my workplace	59	-10
23. I think it is safe to speak up and challenge the way things are done	46	-11
5. I have sufficient control over my work so I can do my job well	59	-11
9. People in my team are honest and open	60	-11
21. I am kept well informed about what is happening in my workplace	47	-11
2. I feel I am able to suggest ideas to improve our ways of doing things	63	-11

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Proportion of questions above the external benchmark by 5 or more percentage points.

Proportion of questions inline with the external benchmark

Proportion of questions below the external benchmark by 5 or more percentage points.

	% Positive	Variance from Australian and International Health Sector benchmark % Positive
Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my senior managers	35	-11
The senior managers at my workplace lead by example in creating a positive workplace	34	-11
I am able to achieve a healthy work/life balance most of the time	60	-11
Working here makes me want to do the best job I can	66	-12
My team resolves conflict quickly when it arises	50	-12
In my workplace, we recognise our successes and innovations	51	-12
I have confidence in the processes that my workplace uses to resolve staff conflict	41	-13
My work environment allows me to deliver the best possible services (patient care or support services)	55	-15
The senior managers at my workplace have a clear direction for the future	31	-19
	workplace I am able to achieve a healthy work/life balance most of the time Working here makes me want to do the best job I can My team resolves conflict quickly when it arises In my workplace, we recognise our successes and innovations I have confidence in the processes that my workplace uses to resolve staff conflict My work environment allows me to deliver the best possible services (patient care	Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my senior managers 35 The senior managers at my workplace lead by example in creating a positive workplace 34 I am able to achieve a healthy work/life balance most of the time 60 Working here makes me want to do the best job I can 66 My team resolves conflict quickly when it arises 50 I n my workplace, we recognise our successes and innovations 51 I have confidence in the processes that my workplace uses to resolve staff conflict 41 My work environment allows me to deliver the best possible services (patient care or support services) 55

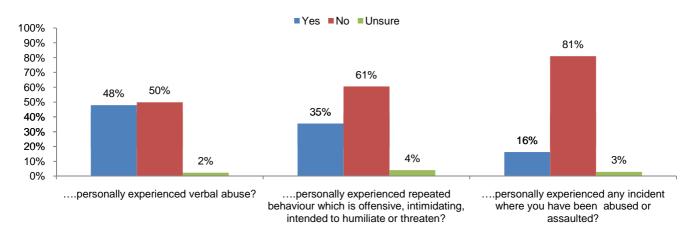
Inappropriate Behaviour

This sections shows the results to questions asked regarding Inappropriate Behaviour.

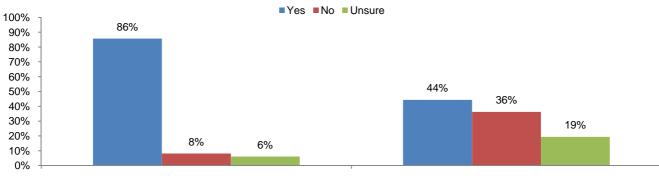
■Yes ■No ■Unsure 100% 84% 90% 80% 67% 70% 58% 60% 50% 39% 40% 29% 30% 20% 13% 4% 3% 10% 3% 0%personally experienced verbal abuse?personally experienced repeatedpersonally experienced any incident behaviour which is offensive, intimidating, where you have been abused or intended to humiliate or threaten? assaulted?

33. In the last three (3) months have you.....

34. In the last twelve (12) months, have you....

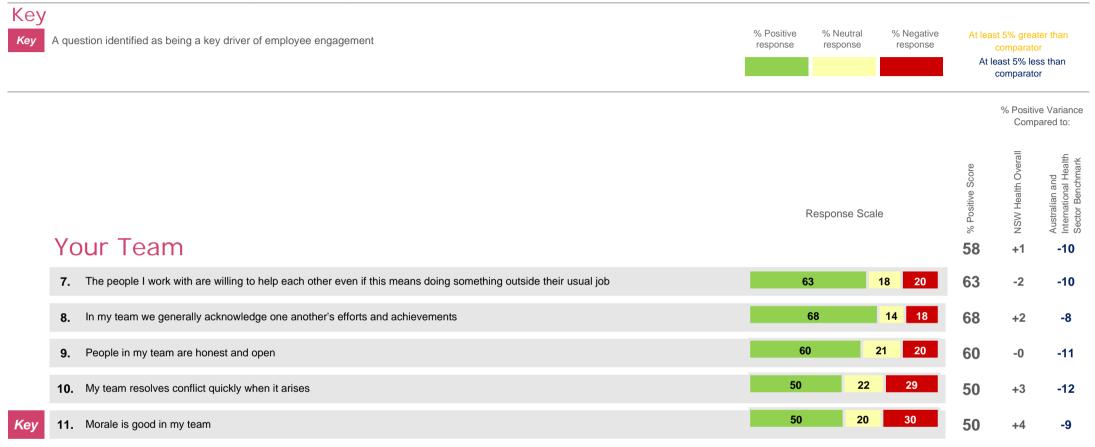


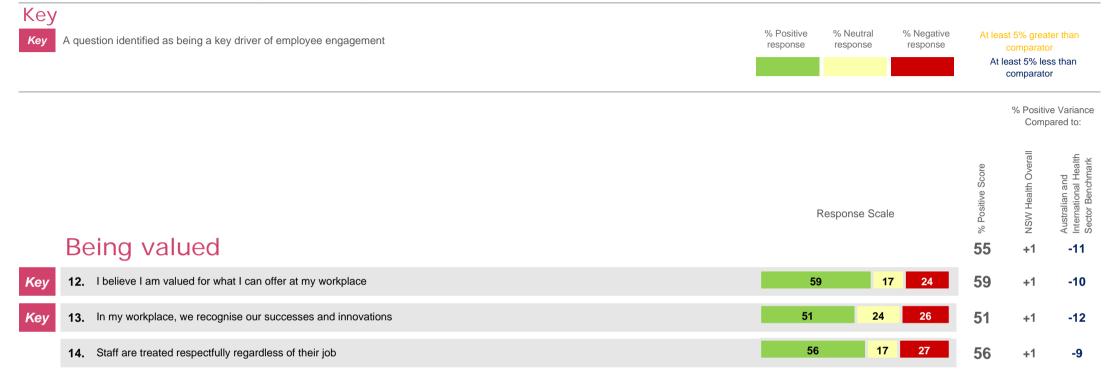
35. Do you currently....



....know how to report occurrences of these types of behaviour?have confidence that if you report these behaviours that they will be responded to appropriately?

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							ve Variance pared to:
	Your Job	Я	esponse Scal	e	96 % Positive Score	O NSW Health Overall	Australian and International Health Sector Benchmark
Key	1. My job makes good use of my skills and abilities		78	9 14	78	+2	-7
	2. I feel I am able to suggest ideas to improve our ways of doing things	63	3	<mark>14 23</mark>	63	-2	-11
	3. Working here makes me want to do the best job I can	6	6	19 16	66	-1	-12
	4. Too many approvals are required for routine decisions*	13 20	67	7	13	-1	-3
	5. I have sufficient control over my work so I can do my job well	59	1	8 24	59	-1	-11
Key	6. At my workplace I am able to positively influence the way we do things at work, including how we work with each other and how we behave	55	19	26	55	+1	-9

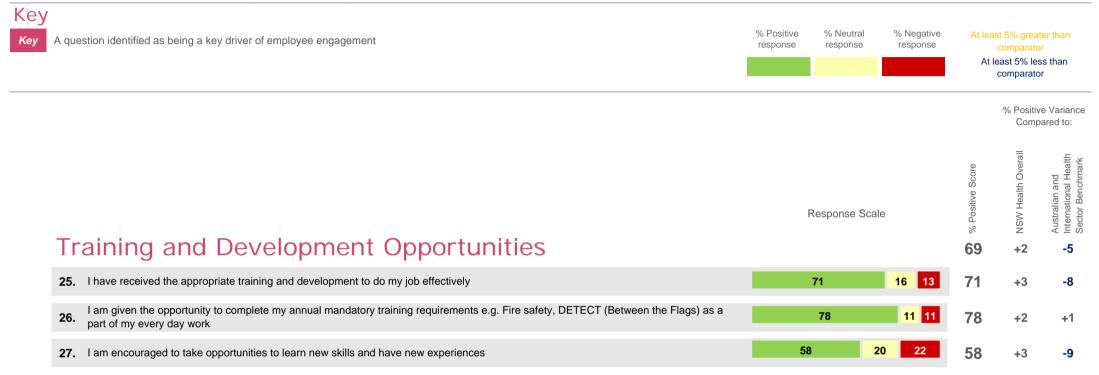




A question identified as being a key driver of employee engagement	% Positive % Neutral % Negativ response response response		east 5% grea comparat at least 5% le comparat	tor ess than
				ive Variance
Your Line Manager	Response Scale	66 % Positive Score	+ NSW Health Overall	Australian and International Health Sector Benchmark
15a. My line manager recognises and acknowledges when I have done my job well	60 17 23	60	0	-8
15b. My line manager treats all staff in my team fairly	57 18 25	57	-1	-7
15c. My line manager ensures that when issues are raised in the team, they are addressed	58 19 23	58	+2	-6
15d. My line manager treats me with respect	72 15 13	72	-1	-3
16. I receive regular and constructive feedback on my performance	47 23 31	47	+3	-7
17. Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my line manager	59 19 22	59	+1	-6

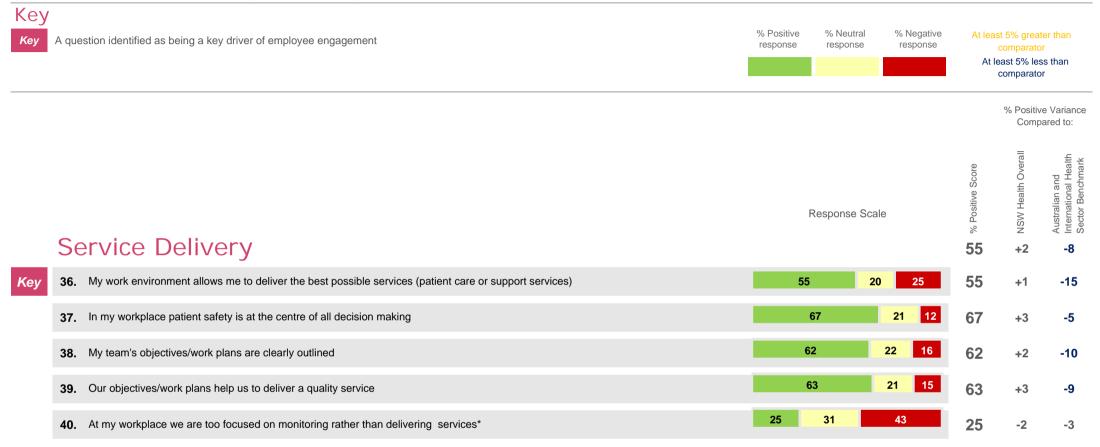
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				ive Variance
	Response Scale	% Positive Score	NSW Health Overall	Australian and International Health Sector Benchmark
Senior Managers		35	0	-12
18a. The senior managers at my workplace are aware of the issues I face in my job	40 22 38	40	0	-9
18b. The senior managers at my workplace have a clear direction for the future	31 33 35	31	-1	-19
18c. The senior managers at my workplace lead by example in creating a positive workplace	34 29 38	34	-0	-11
19. There is a positive relationship between senior management and staff in my workplace	34 27 39	34	+0	-10
20. Overall, I have confidence in the decisions made by my senior managers	35 31 35	35	-1	-11





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				At	least 5% les comparato	% less than	
						ve Variance bared to:	
	Res	ponse Scale		% Positive Score	NSW Health Overall	Australian and International Health Sector Benchmark	
Work Environment				54	+1	-10	
28. I have confidence in the processes that my workplace uses to resolve staff conflict	41	24	35	41	+4	-13	
29. I am able to achieve a healthy work/life balance most of the time	60	19	22	60	-0	-11	
30. There are mechanisms in place to support me if I experience stress or pressure	52	24	24	52	+3	-10	
31. Reasonable expectations are placed on staff according to their position	52	20	27	52	+0	-9	
32. My workplace is proactive in minimising potential violence/abuse from patients or visitors	66		19 14	66	+1	-7	

A qu	question identified as being a key driver of employee engagement					At least 5% greater than comparator At least 5% less than comparator % Positive Variance Compared to:		
Note	ote: Questions 33, 34 and 35 below use a scale of Yes, No and Unsure. Questions 33 and 34 questions are negatively worded, therefore the positive score is taken as those who responded 'No', the negative score as those who responded 'Yes' and those who responded 'Unsure' are not included in score calcuations. Question 35 is positively worded, therefore positive is 'Yes', negative is 'No'.							
		% No response	% Unsure response	% Yes response	% Positive Score	NSW Health	Australian and International Health Sector	
In	appropriate Behaviour				66	-2	-5	
33a	. In the last three (3) months, have you personally experienced verbal abuse?	58	3	39	58	-5	-5	
33b	In the last three (3) months, have you personally experienced repeated behaviour which is offensive, intimidating, intended to humiliate or threaten?		67	29	67	-4	-5	
33c.	In the last three (3) months, have you personally experienced any incident where you have been abused or assaulted?		84	13	84	-1	0	
34a	. In the last twelve (12) months, have you personally experienced verbal abuse?	50		48	50	-4	-8	
34b	In the last twelve (12) months, have you personally experienced repeated behaviour which is offensive, intimidating, intended to humiliate • or threaten?	6	1	35	61	-4	-9	
34c	. In the last twelve (12) months, have you personally experienced any incident where you have been abused or assaulted?		81	16	81	-1	-2	
	% Ye	s response	% Unsure response	% No response				
35a.	. Do you currently know how to report occurrences of these types of behaviour?		86	68	86	+3	+5	
35b	. Do you currently have confidence that if you report these behaviours that they will be responded to appropriately?	44	19	36	44	+1	-11	



A question identified as being a key driver of employee engagement	% Positive response	% Neutral response	% Negative response		ost 5% grea comparato least 5% lea comparato	or ss than			
						% Positive Variance Compared to:			
Your Workplace	I	Response Sca	le	66 % Positive Score	t NSW Health Overall	Australian and International Health Sector Benchmark			
41. Overall I am proud to be a part of this workplace		72	18 <mark>10</mark>	72	+4	-5			
42. I would recommend my workplace as a good place to work	59)	21 20	59	+1	-7			
43. I feel motivated to contribute more than what is normally required at work	6	3	19 18	63	+2	-3			
44. I have a strong sense of belonging to my workplace	6	64	22 14	64	+3	-3			
45. Overall I am satisfied to be working here at the present time		66	17 17	66	+2	-7			
46. Overall, I believe the culture at my workplace has improved in the last 12 months	31	35	34	31	+2	-10			