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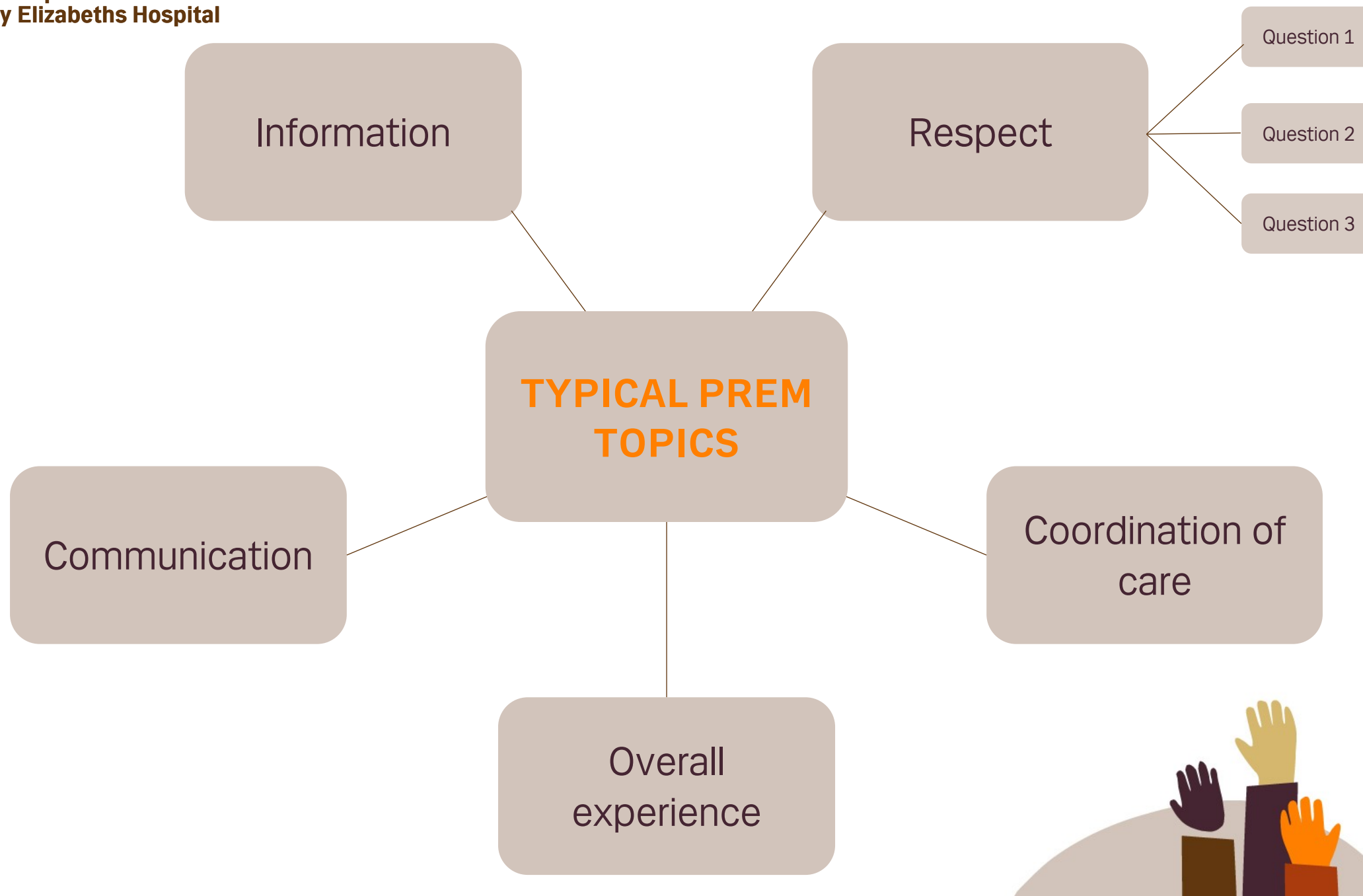


PREMs are not satisfaction questionnaires



“PREMs differ from the more subjective patient satisfaction measures, which are an indication of how well a patient's expectations were met”





How and where are PREMs used in paediatrics?

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Review Article

Patient experience or patient satisfaction? A systematic review of child- and family-reported experience measures in pediatric surgery

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Purpose: Patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs) and patient-reported experience measures (PREMs) are increasingly recognized as important health care quality indicators. PREMs measure patients' perception of the care they have received, differing from satisfaction ratings, which measure their expectations. The use of PREMs in pediatric surgery is limited, prompting this systematic review to assess their characteristics and identify areas for improvement.

Methods: A search was conducted in eight databases from inception until January 12, 2022, to identify PREMs used with pediatric surgical patients, with no language restrictions. We focused on studies of patient experience but also included studies that assessed satisfaction and sampled experience domains. The quality of the included studies was appraised using the Mixed Methods Appraisal Tool.

Results: Following title and abstract screening of 2633 studies, 51 were included for full-text review, of which 22 were subsequently excluded because they measured only patient satisfaction rather than experience, and 14 were excluded for a range of other reasons. Out of the 15 included studies, questionnaires used in 12 studies were proxy-reported by parents and in 3 by both parents and children; none focused only on the child. Most instruments were developed in-house for each specific study, without patients' involvement in the process, and were not validated.

Conclusions: Although PROMs are increasingly used in pediatric surgery, PREMs are not yet in use, being typically substituted by satisfaction surveys. Significant efforts are needed to develop and implement PREMs in pediatric surgical care, in order to effectively capture children's and families' voices.

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Patient-reported outcome measures (PROMs) and patient-reported experience measures (PREMs) are critical for collecting information on patient care [1]. PROMs can measure patients' health status and the impact of a disease or treatment, including

patient symptoms, functional status, quality of life, and health-related quality of life (HRQOL) [2,3]. PREMs measure patients' perception of their experience with the healthcare received [2]. The use of PROMs and PREMs has been shown to lead to shared decision-making, improved communication, and detection of overlooked problems, ensuring better and individualized care [4]. These instruments can also influence healthcare interventions, resource allocation, and policymaking [1,4,5]. PROMs and PREMs are complementary tools and should be used together to capture a complete patient-centered journey [6].

A PREM exists to capture "what" happened during an episode of care and "how" it happened from the patient's perspective [2]. PREMs cover domains like communication with staff, access to information, care received, physical and emotional support, shared

Abbreviations: CYP, Children and Young People; HIC, High-income countries; HRQOL, Health-Related Quality of Life; PREMs, Patient-Reported Experience Measures; PROMs, Patient-Reported Outcome Measures; USA, United States.
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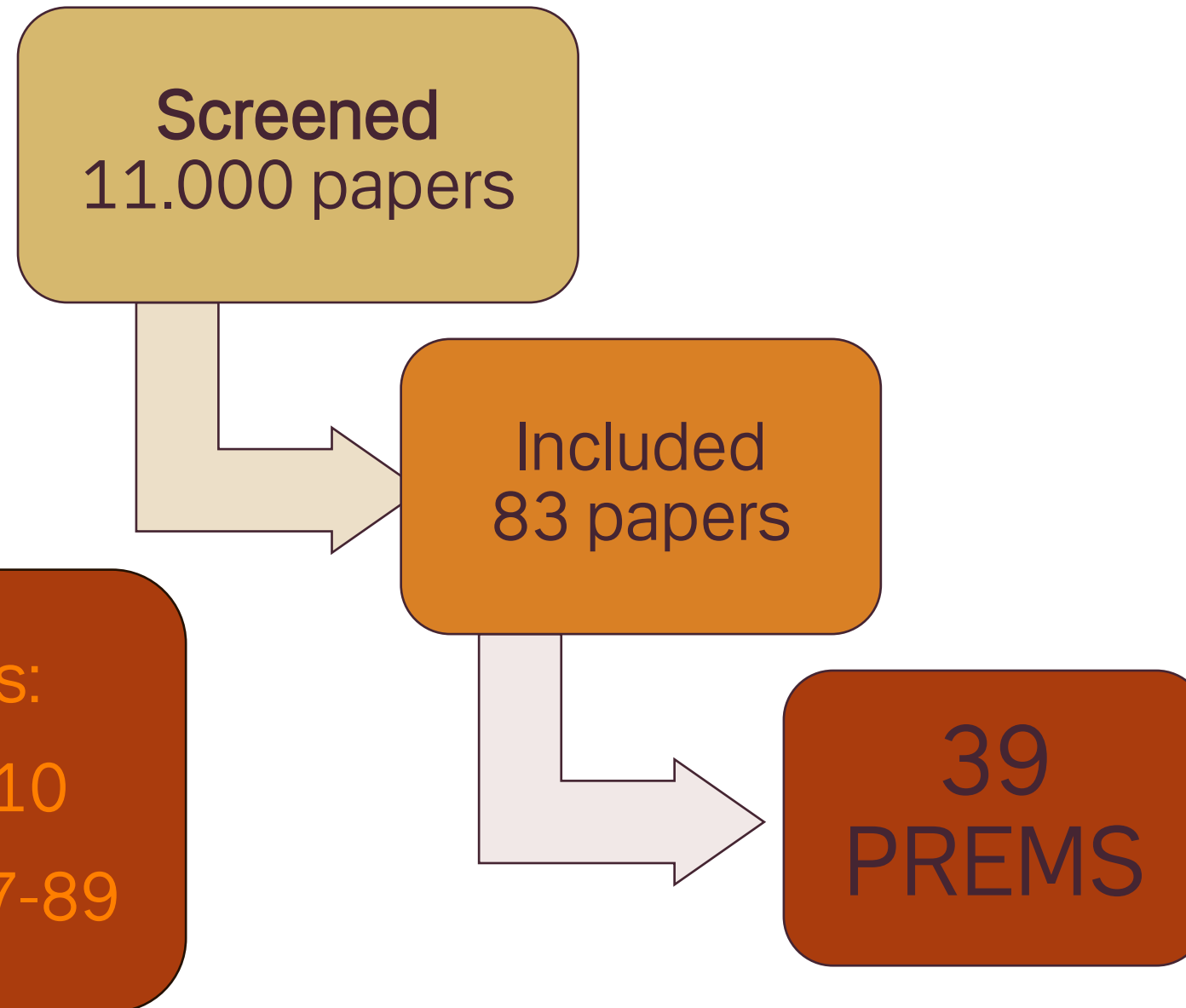
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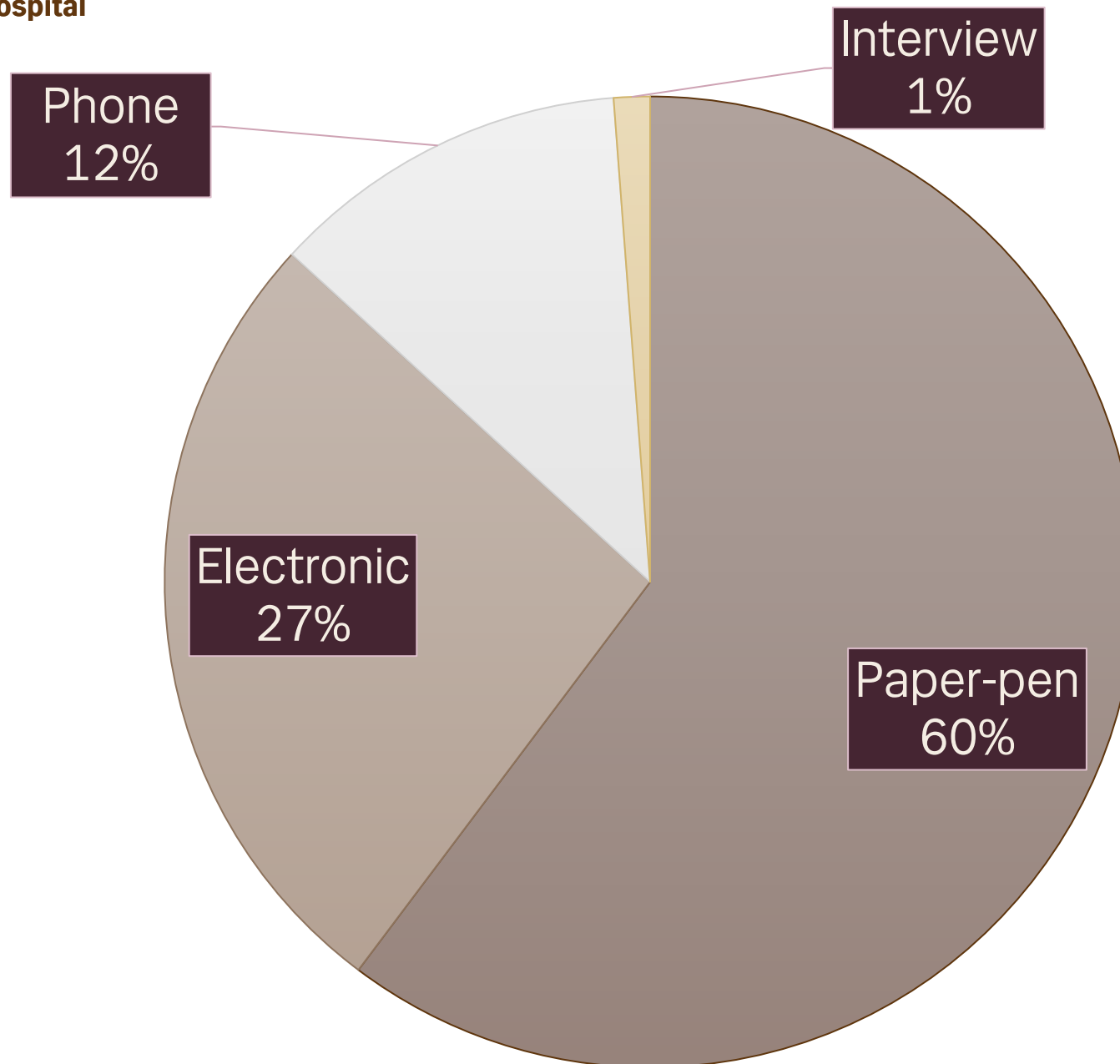
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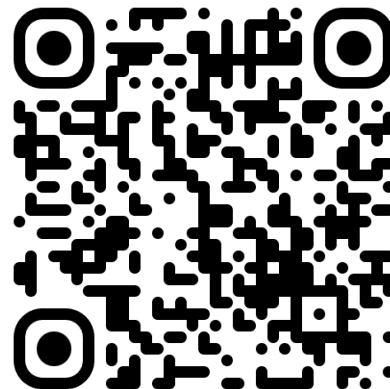
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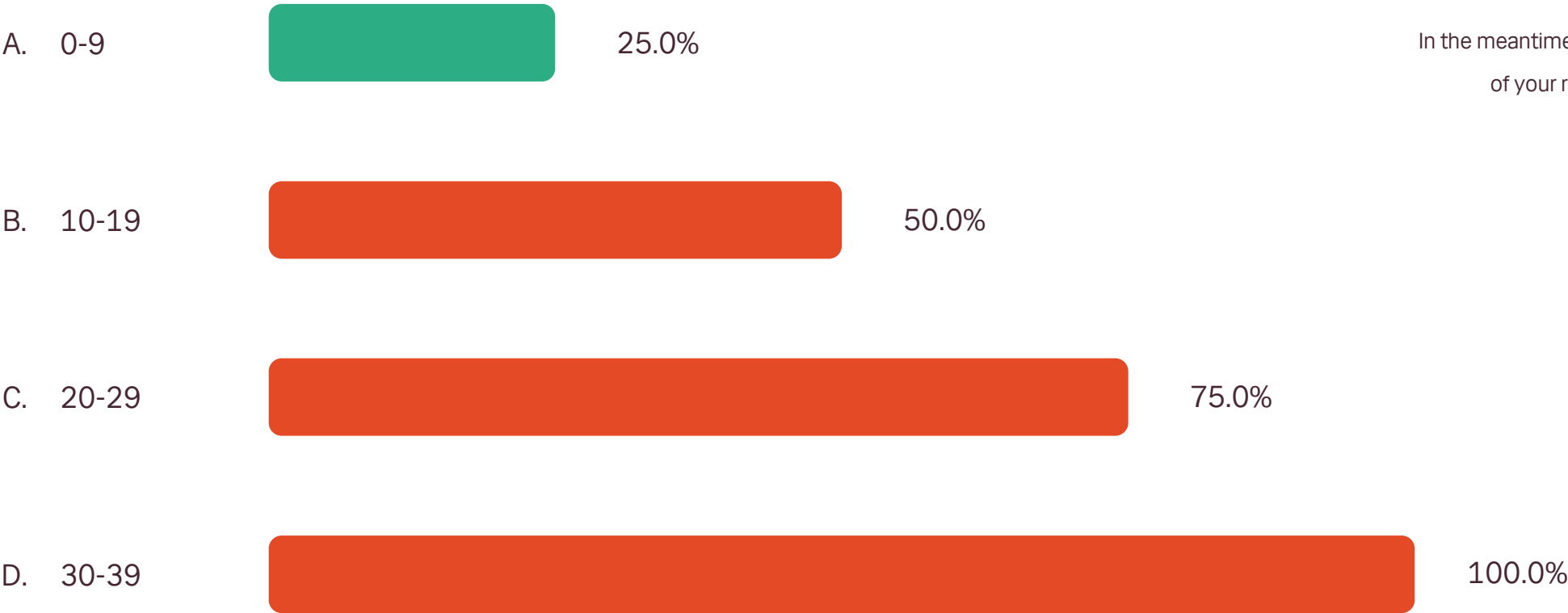
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**”6 out of 39 PREMs
had been explicitly developed for completion by the
paediatric patient themselves”**



- US early movers
- Trending in high-income countries
- Key marker for patient-centred care
- Central to value-based healthcare systems





Why use patient-reported experience measures?



What
can we learn about
the patients who
report the best
experiences?

Where
are opportunities to
improve quality of
care?

Where
should our hospital
focus efforts to
improve patient
experiences?

What
can we learn about
our patients?

Opportunities to learn and improve patient-centred care

Which
department or
hospital can I look
to for best
practices?