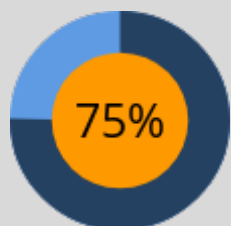


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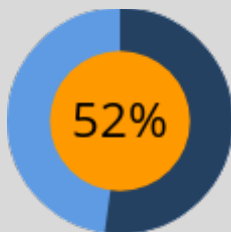
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Perceptions Regarding Safety Between PICCs and CVCs, in Respect to Complications

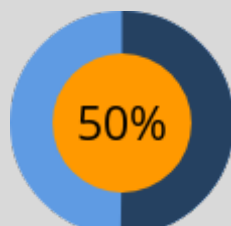
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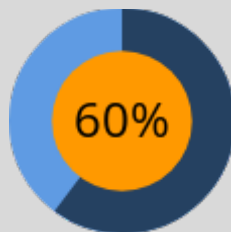
PICCs safer to insert



PICCs perceived as more convenient than CVCs

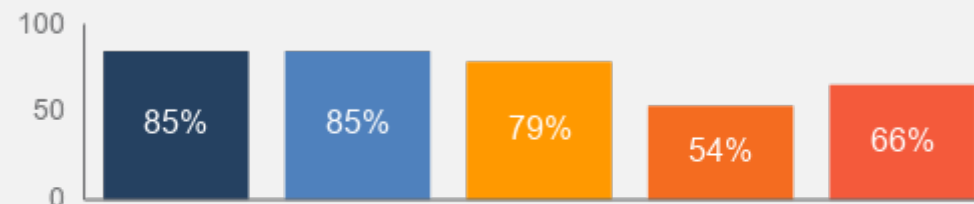


PICCs safer overall than CVCs



Were "neutral" about cost-effectiveness of PICCs compared to CVCs

Variation in Evidence-Based Practice



- Preferred CVCs over PICCs in ICU
- Routinely used ultrasound when placing CVCs
- Specified CVC lumens
- Specified PICC lumens
- Desire more research on vascular access

Defined local protocols may improve guideline adherence