

HISTORY

Pharmacists first established ICU practices around the 1970s. Since then, it has been established that critical care pharmacists (CCPs) are essential members of the interprofessional care team, improve patient-centered outcomes, and lead to the avoidance of unnecessary healthcare expenditures.

The American College of Clinical Pharmacy Critical Care Practice & Research Network (PRN) has consistently advocated for advancement of CCP practice.

RECENT ADVANCEMENTS

2020

A task force convened between the Critical Care PRN, Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM), and American Society of Health-System Pharmacists (ASHP) to update the roadmap for establishing and refining CCP services through 82 recommendations across five key domains:

1. patient care
2. quality improvement
3. research and scholarship
4. training and education
5. professional development



2023

A subsequent opinion paper endorsed by the Critical Care PRN outlined CCP patient care activities that align with the 2020 task force recommendations.



CCP PRACTICE MODELS TASK FORCE 2022-2024

The Problem: The COVID-19 pandemic and financial pressures have brought significant changes to CCP practice, resulting in high rates of attrition and burnout.

Purpose: Provide expert opinion and guidance on the implementation of optimal practice models for clinical cognitive services of CCPs to improve patient-centered outcomes.

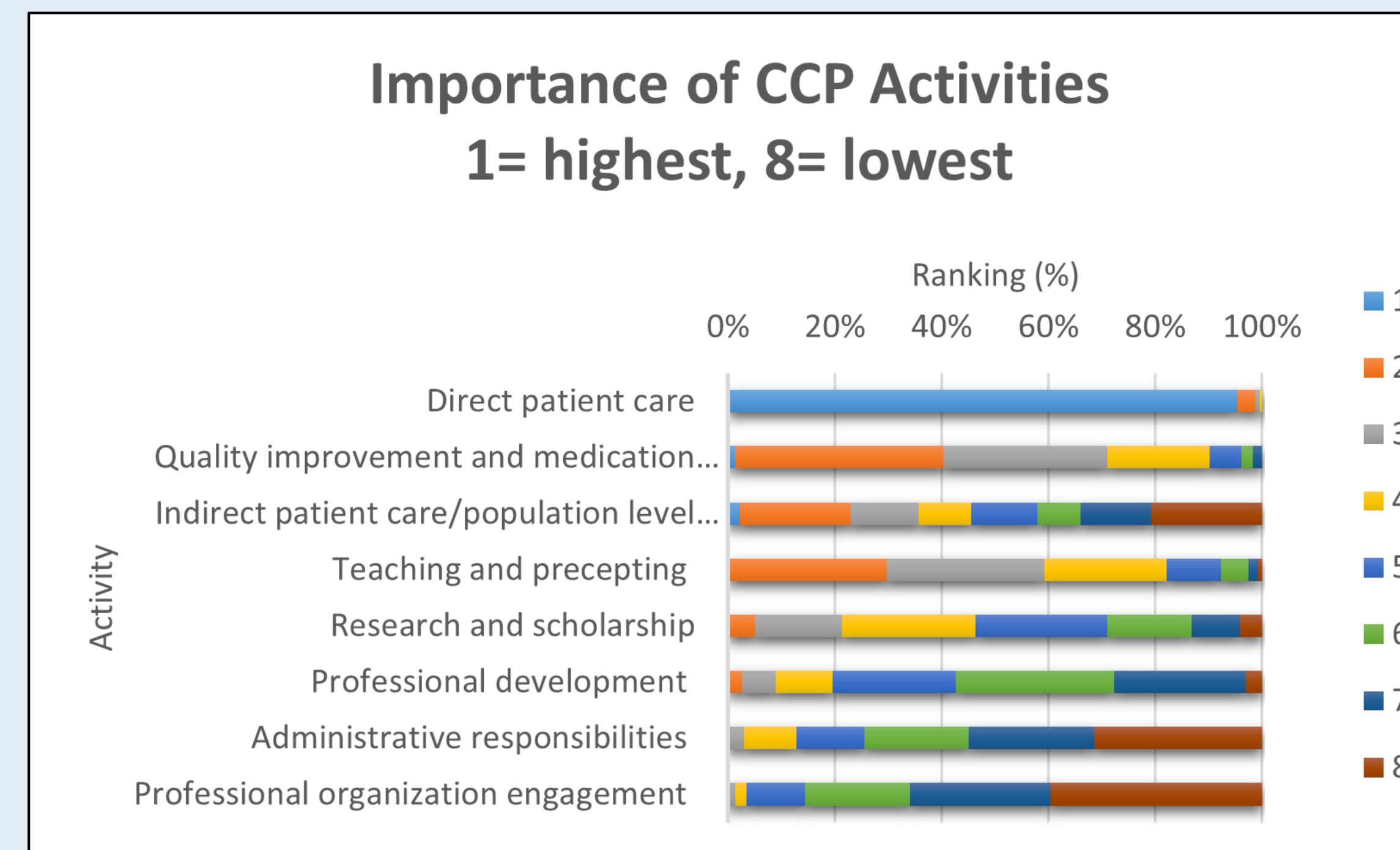
Intended to complement the existing Position Paper on Critical Care Pharmacy Services: 2020 Update.

A modified Delphi process to build upon prior efforts and establish:

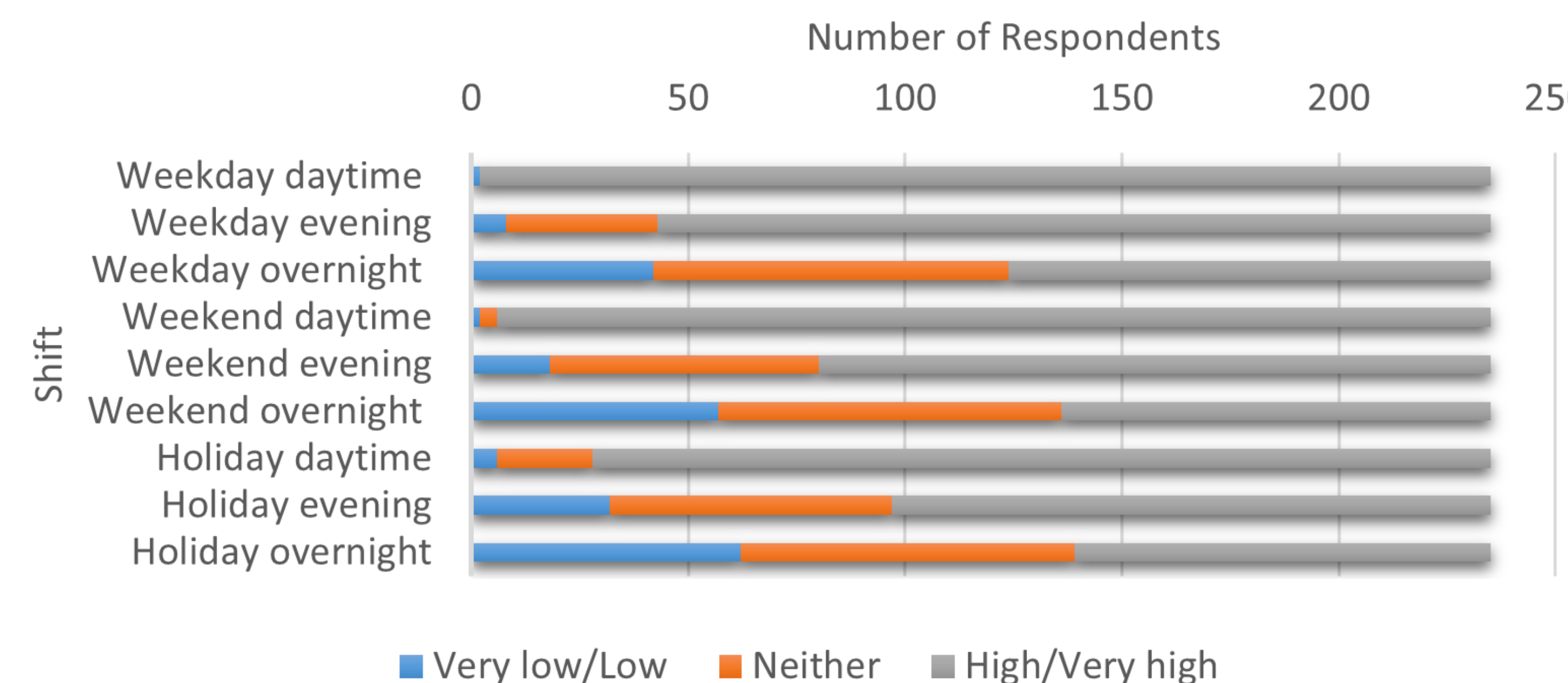
1. frameworks for optimal CCP practice models
2. recommendations for optimal practice
3. agendas for future areas of research and advocacy

ACCP Critical Care PRN Survey Methods and Preliminary Results

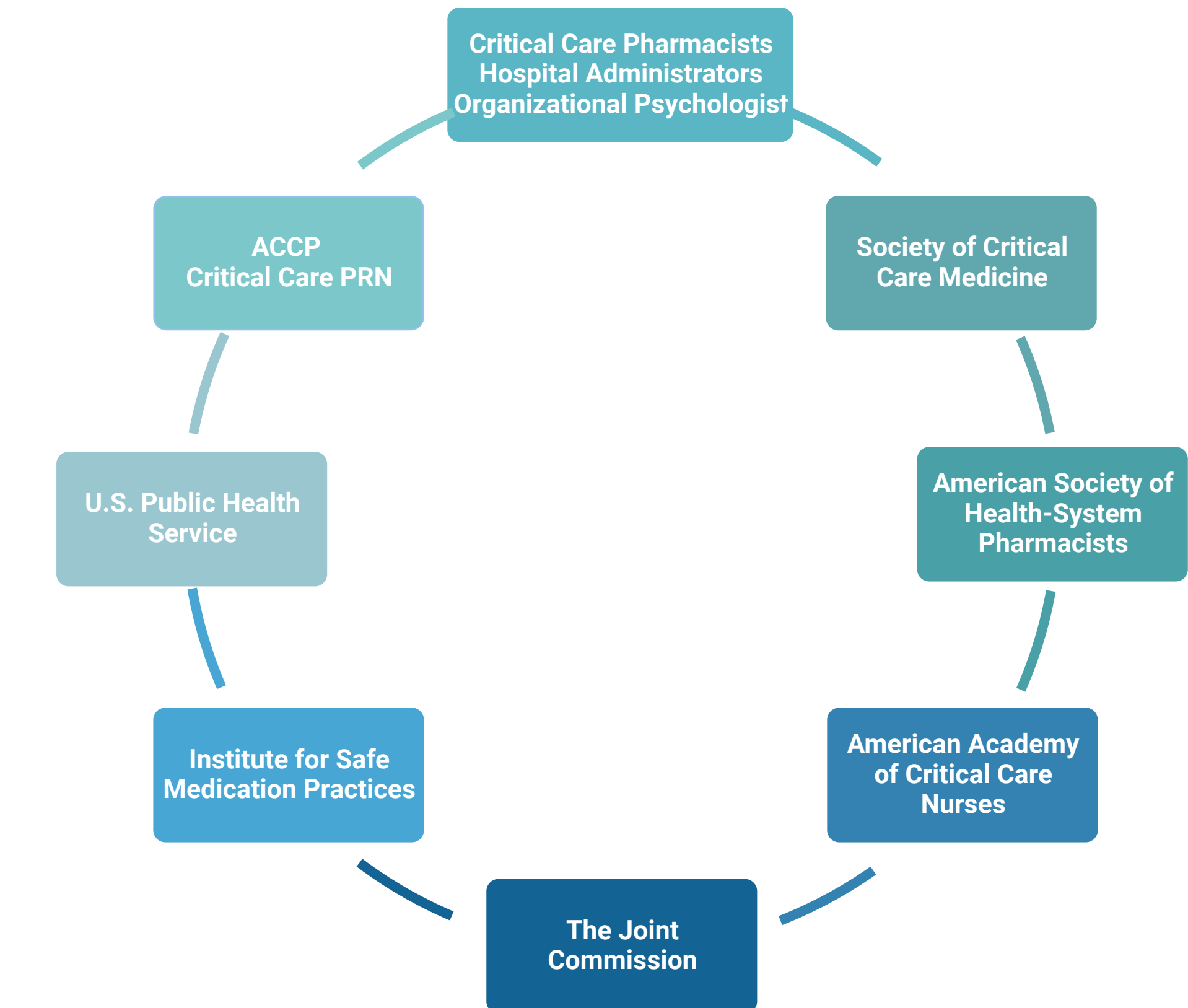
- Distributed to the ACCP Critical Care PRN Membership
- Key themes will be used to guide CCP Practice Models Task Force work groups
 - Survey open for 6 weeks
 - 41 questions
 - 235 full responses of 1,605 recipients
 - Inclusive of current practitioners, trainees, retirees and others



Importance of dedicated unit-based critical care pharmacy services by shift



TASK FORCE MEMBERS



NEXT STEPS

Develop key opinion statements related to specific domains.

- Direct patient care
- Indirect patient care
- Professional service

