



Experience of Whipps Cross University Hospital

Healthwatch is the official consumer champion for users of health and social care services. We listen to people's stories, good and bad, and report on their collective experience.

In this report, we examine the service user experience of Whipps Cross University Hospital.

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Page 2 Data Source

Healthwatch talks to people across the community, week in, week out.

This section shows where we collected the feedback that underpins this report.



Pages 3 - 5 Top Trends

We review all the feedback we collect.

This enables us to find out what people think of their services.

This section reveals the top trends, and how people feel overall.



Pages 6 - 31 Patient Journey

In this section, we look at the patient journey (or 'care pathway').

We also examine the most popular hospital departments.



Page 32 Summary

This section summarises findings, in brief.



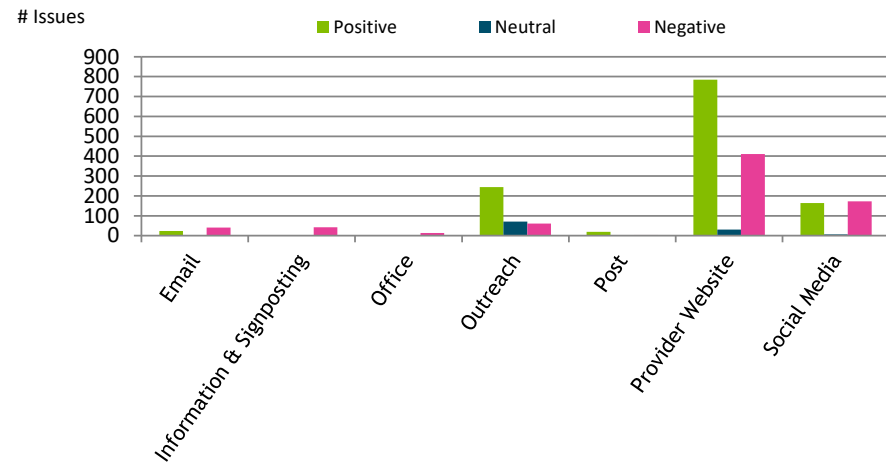
Disclaimer: The trends within this report are based on service user comments we have obtained from sources outlined on Page 2. Comments obtained from these sources may not be representative of all service users experiences or opinions.

Report compiled on 24 July 2019, to cover the period 1 July 2018 - 30 June 2019.

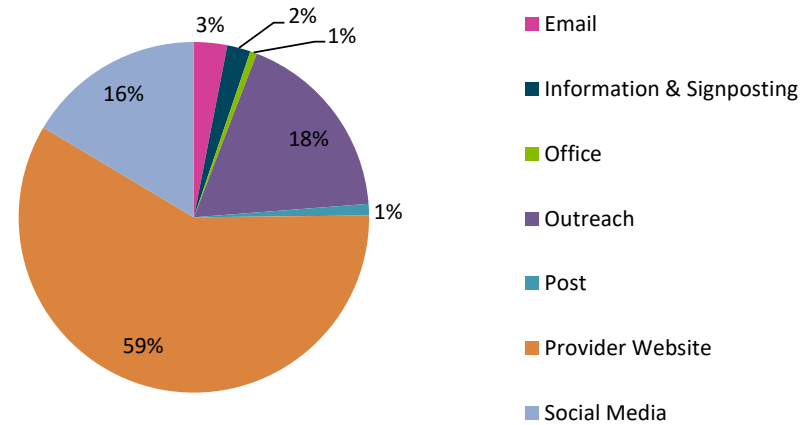
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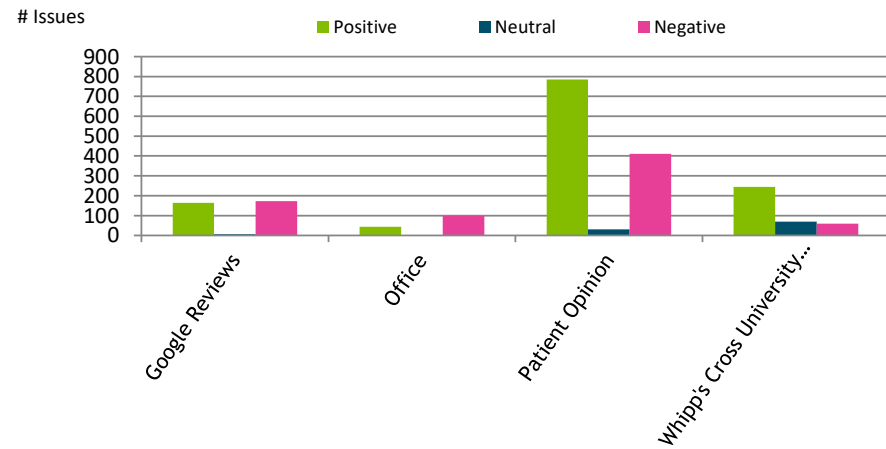
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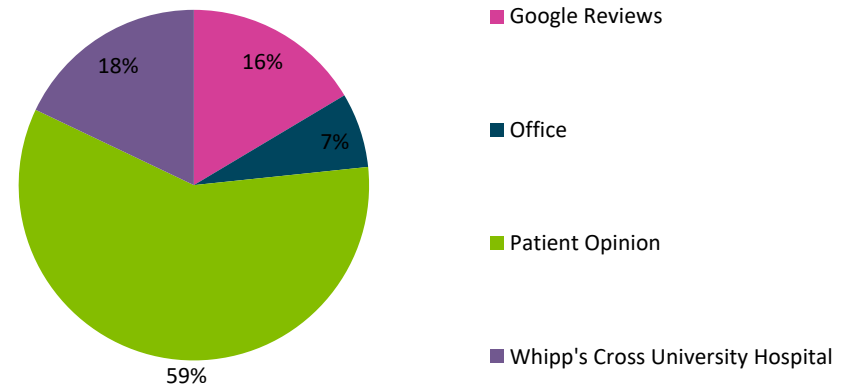
Sources providing the most comments overall



1.2 Origin



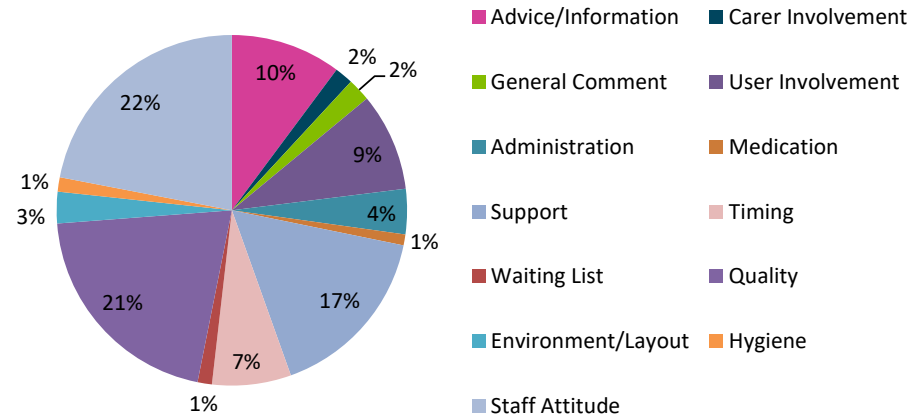
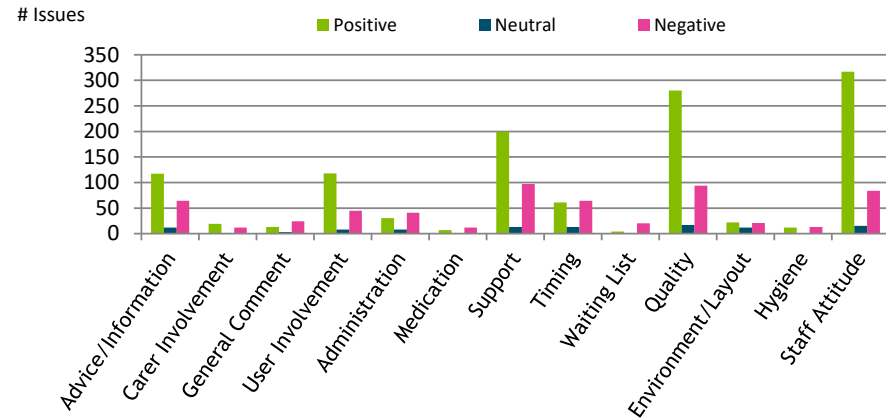
Origins providing the most comments overall



2. Top Trends: Which service aspects are people most commenting on?

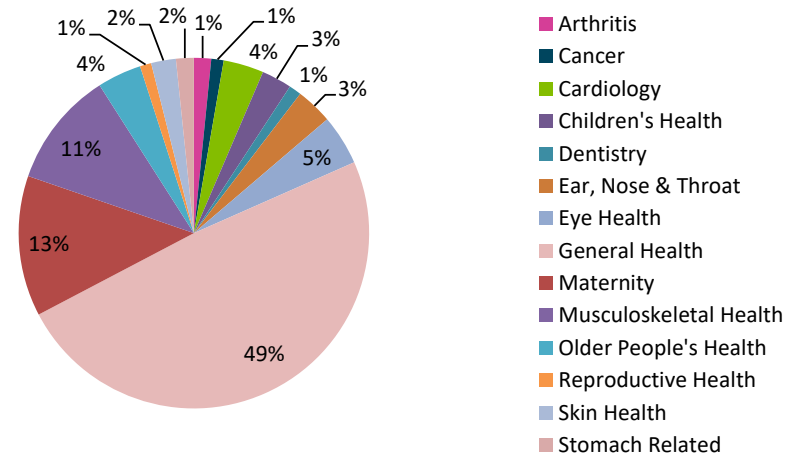
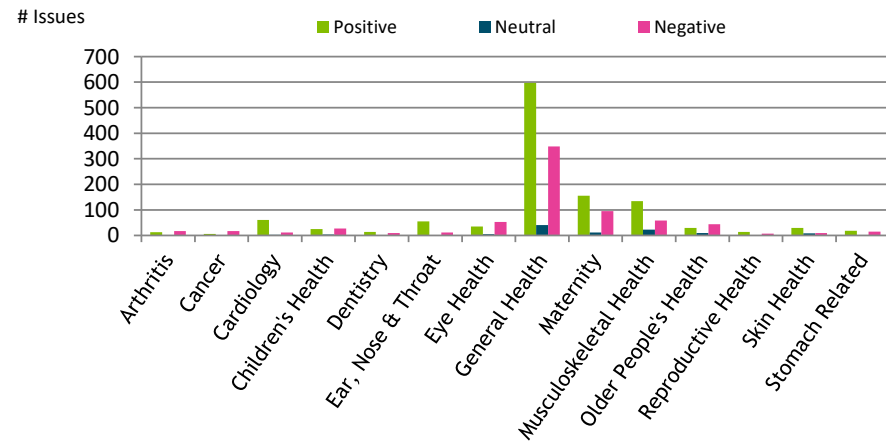


2.1 Service aspects: 2094 issues from 372 people



Issues receiving the most comments overall. See page 33 for issue descriptions.

2.2 Stated medical conditions

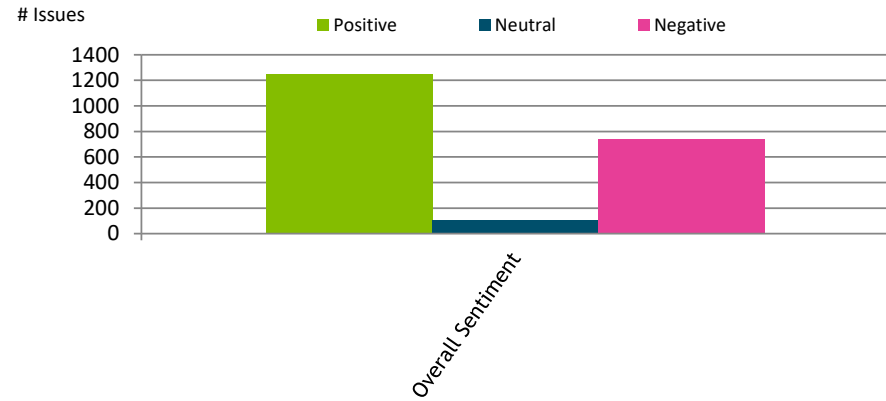


Medical conditions receiving the most comments overall

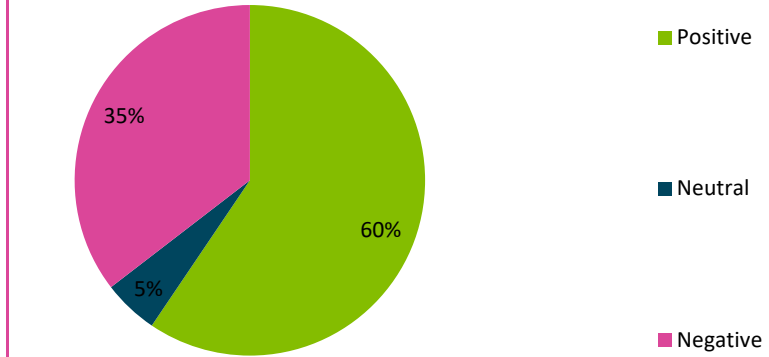
3. Sentiment: How do people feel about the service?



3.1 How do people feel as a whole?

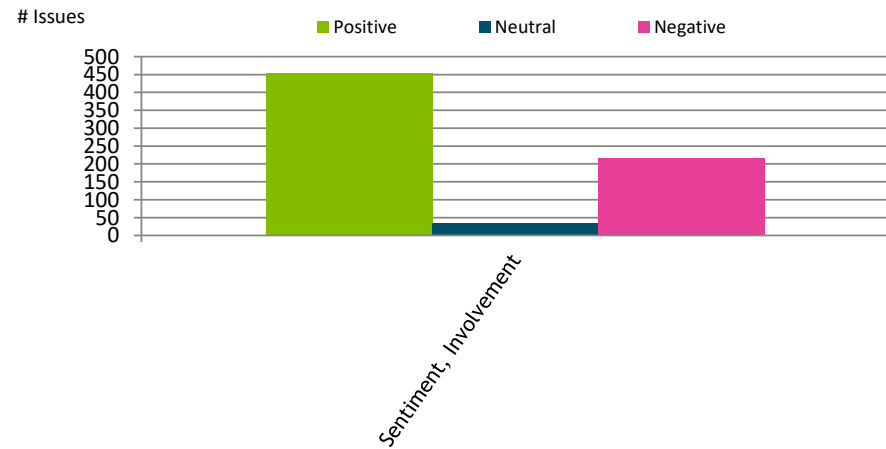


Quarterly Benchmark: 3% improvement on the previous quarter

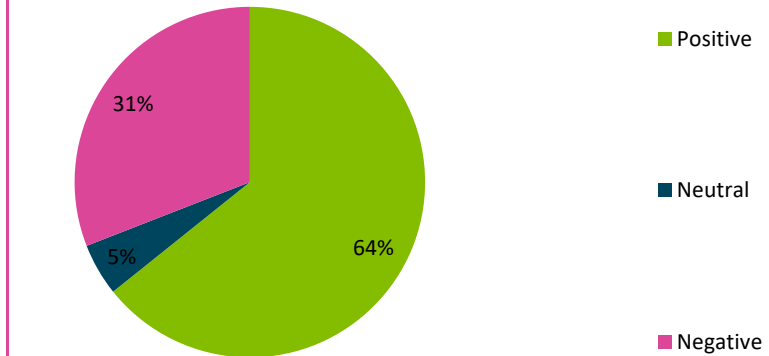


East London Average: 55% Positive

3.2 How well informed, involved and supported do people feel?



Quarterly Benchmark: 2% improvement on the previous quarter

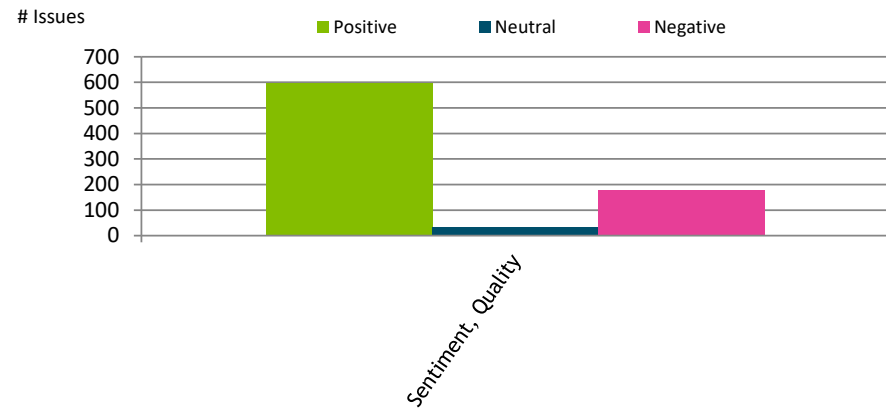


East London Average: 56% Positive

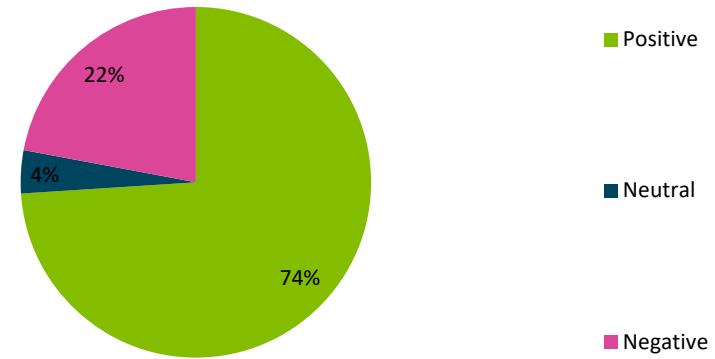
3. Sentiment: How do people feel about the service?



3.3 How do people feel about general quality and empathy?

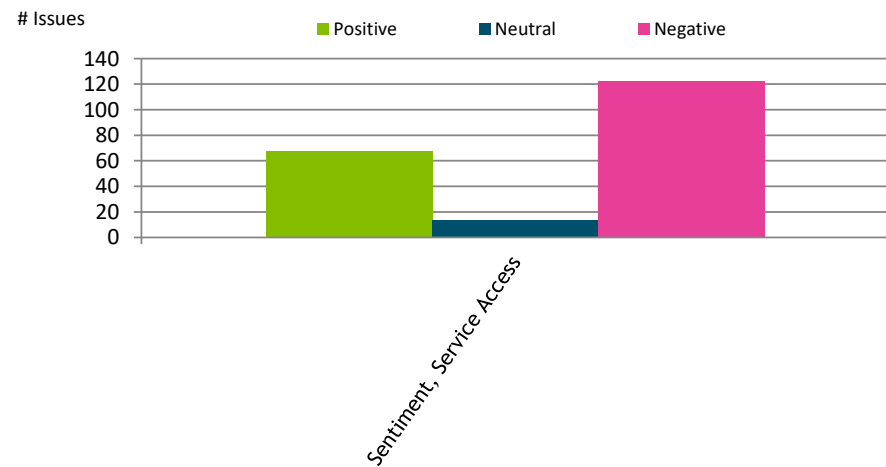


Quarterly Benchmark: *No change on the previous quarter*

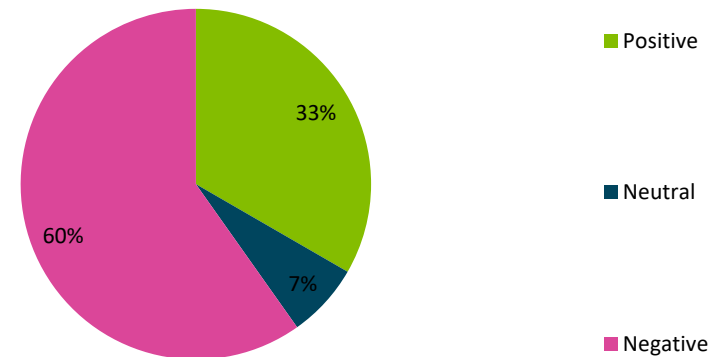


East London Average: *76% Positive*

3.4 How do people feel about general access to services?



Quarterly Benchmark: *3% improvement on the previous quarter*

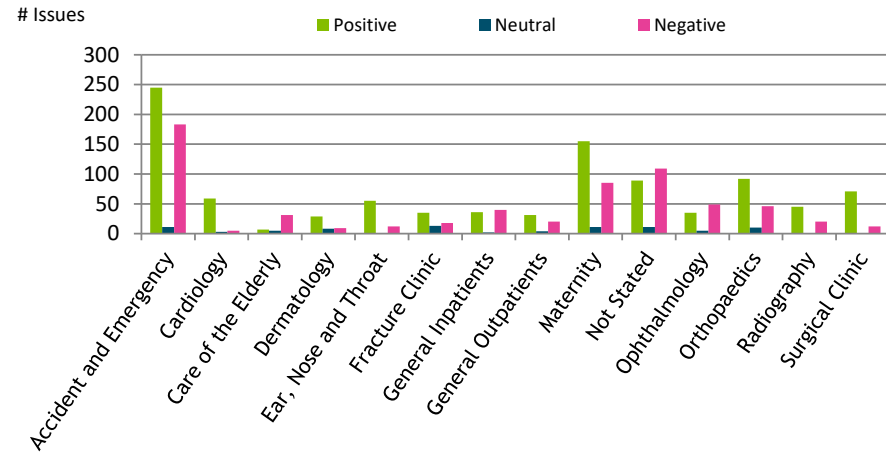


East London Average: *33% Positive*

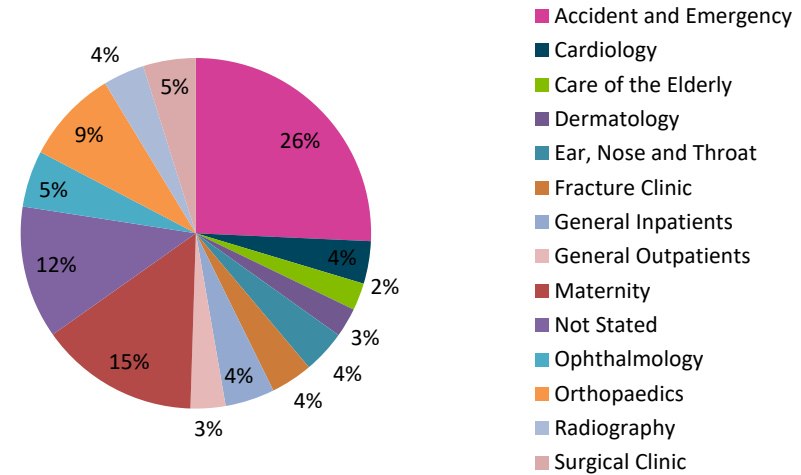
4. Trends: Which departments are people most commenting on?



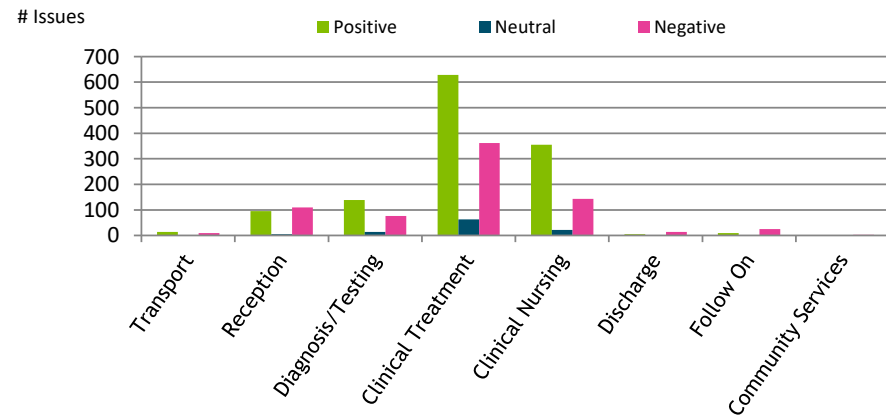
4.1 Departments (2094 issues)



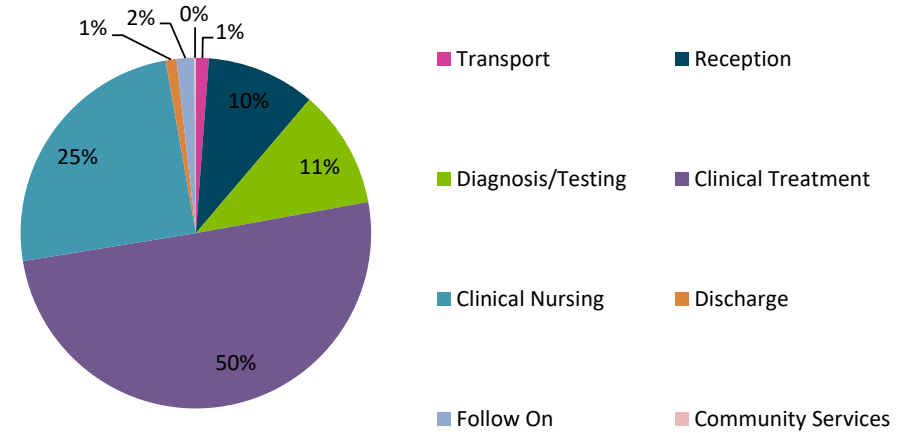
Departments receiving the most comments overall



4.2 Breakdown of care pathway locations (more on pages 24-31)



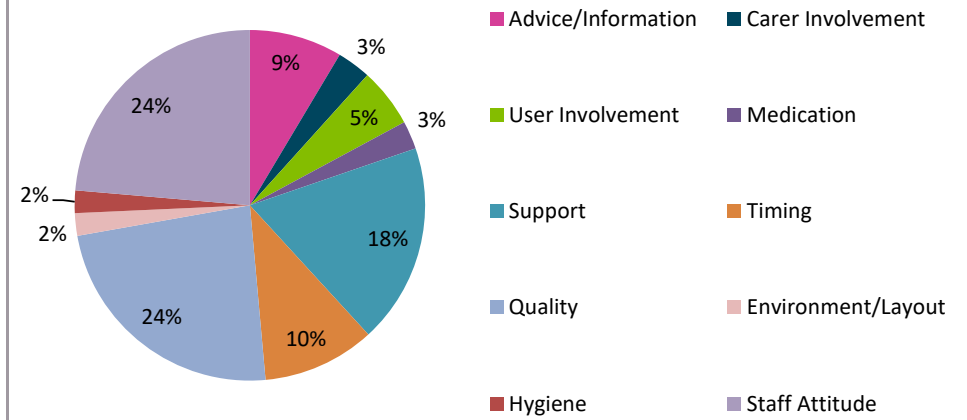
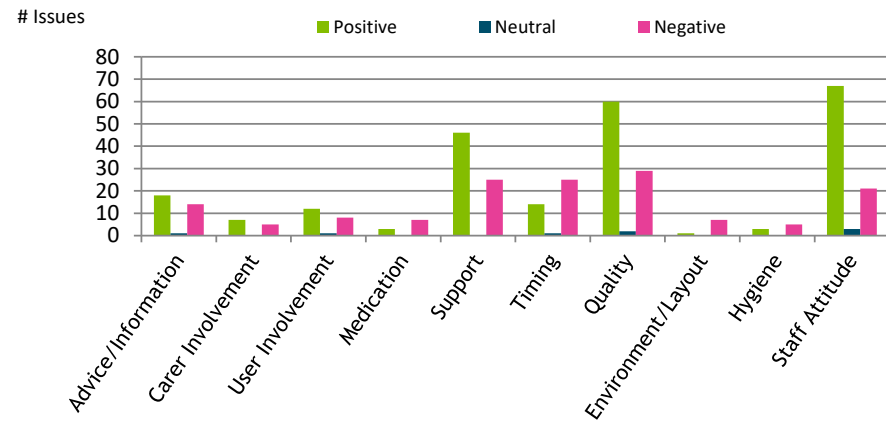
Care pathway locations



5. Trends: A&E

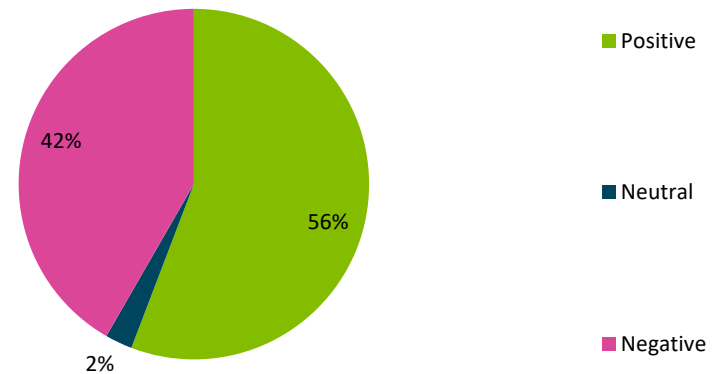
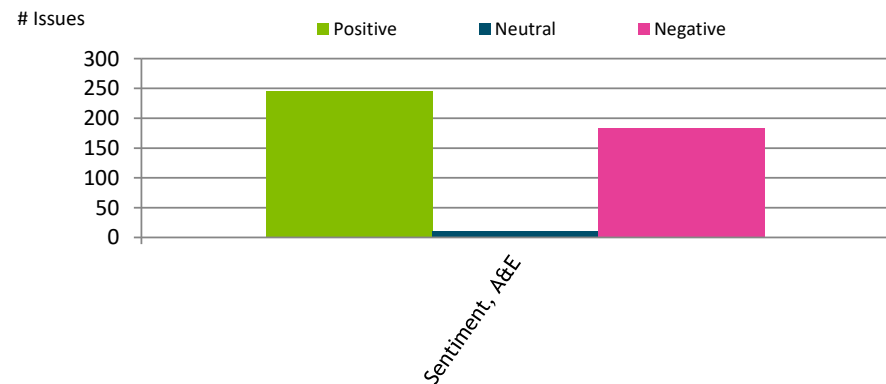


5.1 Trends, A&E (439 issues from 78 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

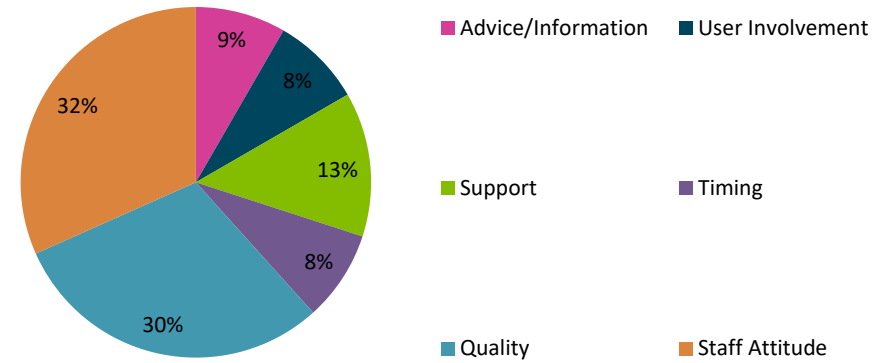
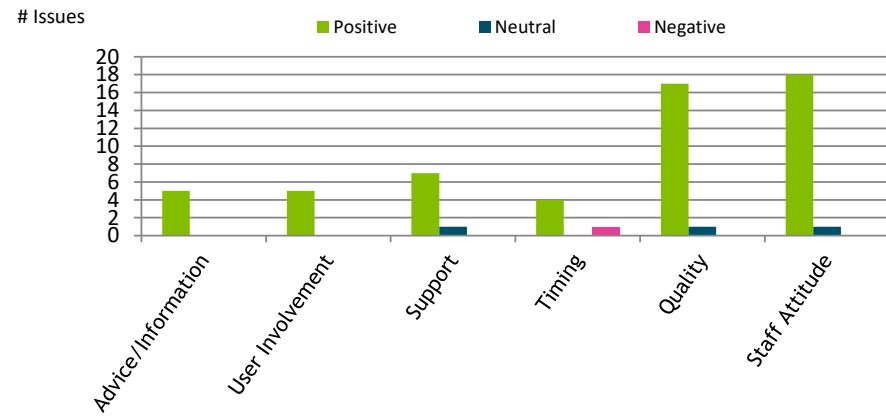
5.2 Sentiment, A&E



5. Trends: Cardiology

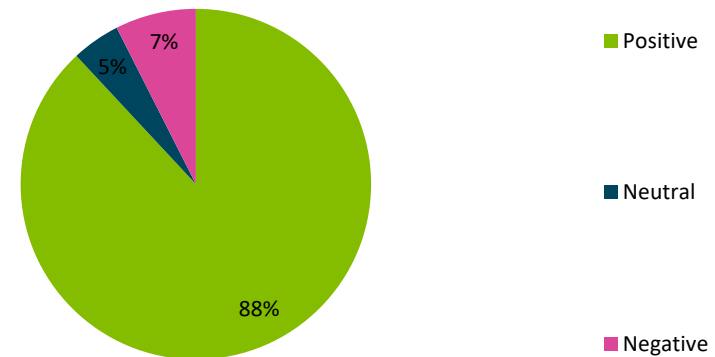
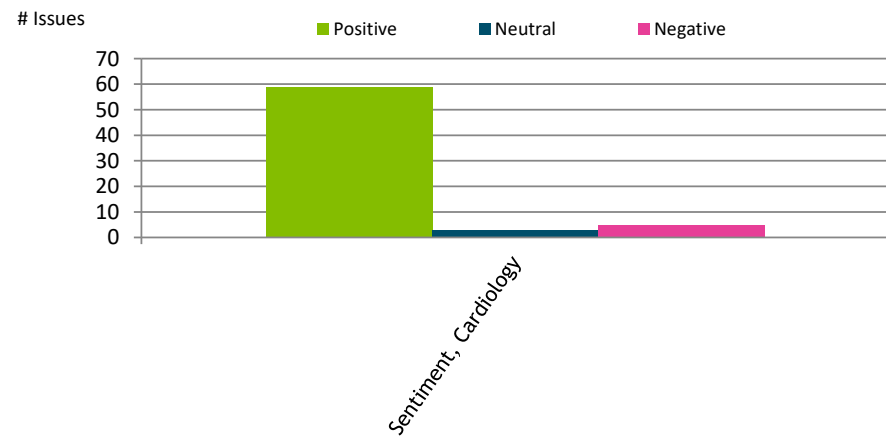


5.3 Trends, Cardiology (67 issues from 10 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

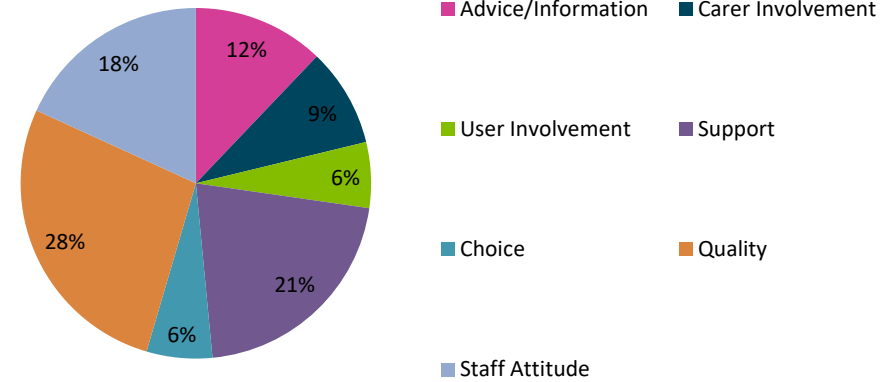
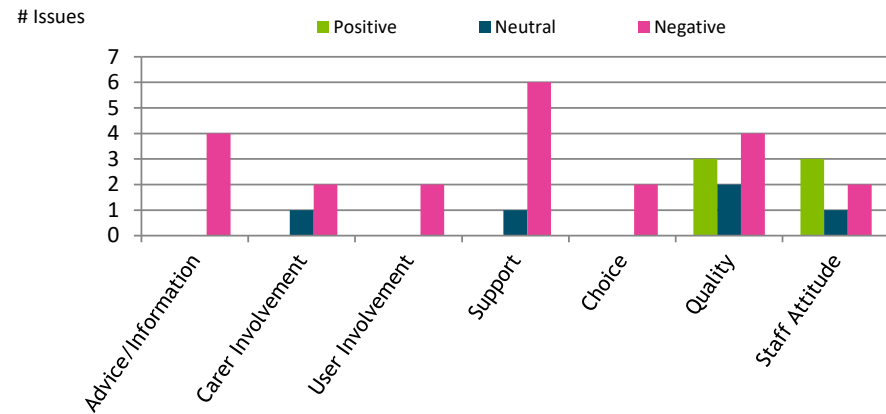
5.4 Sentiment, Cardiology



5. Trends: Care of the Elderly

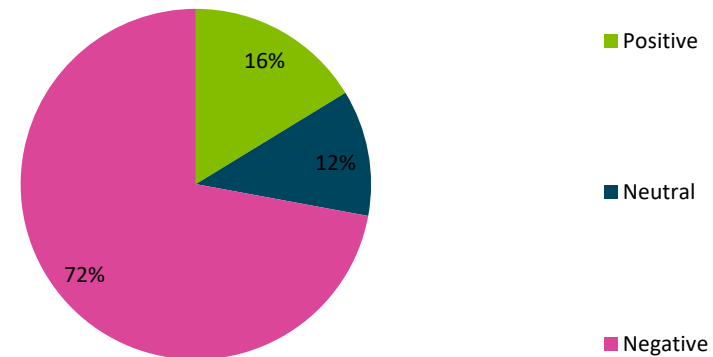
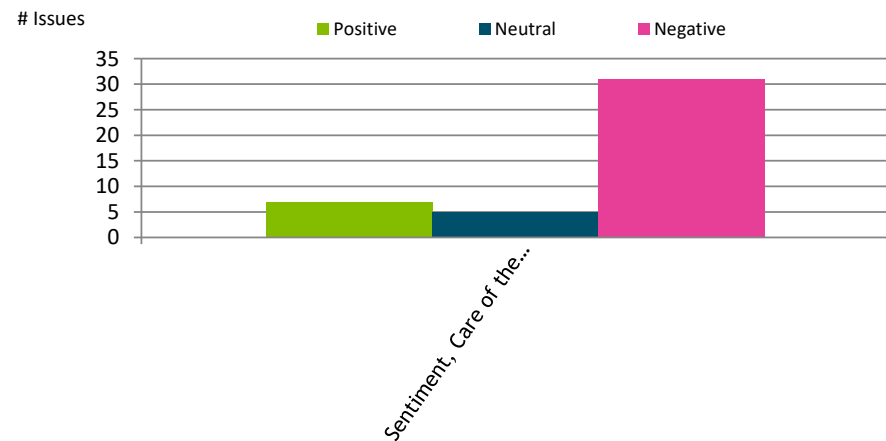


5.5 Trends, Care of the Elderly (43 issues from 7 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

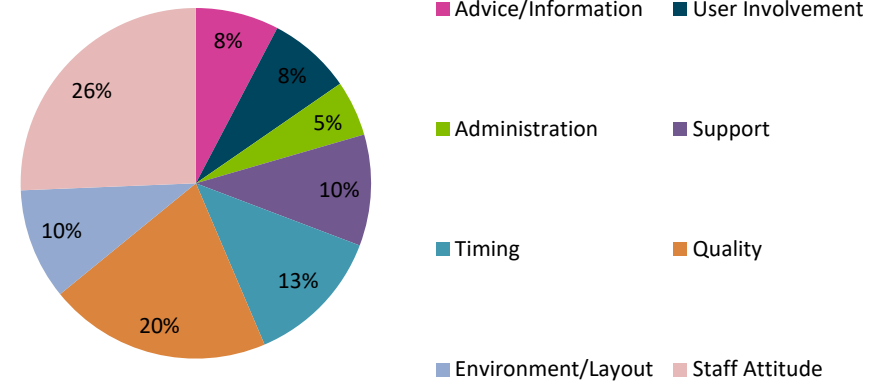
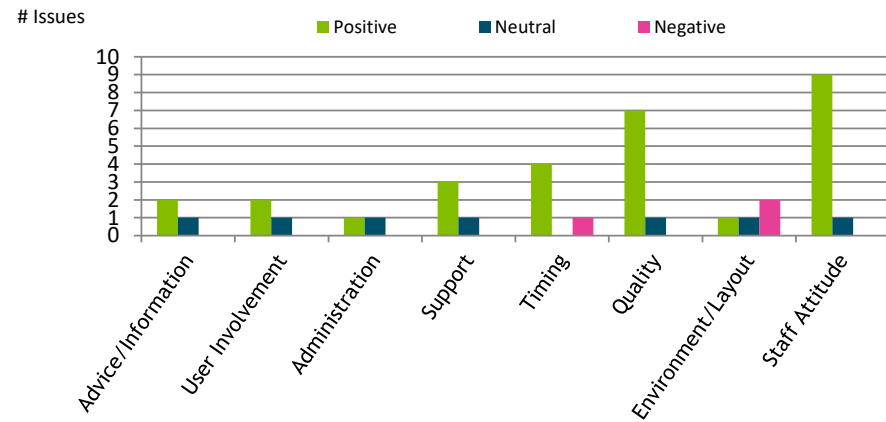
5.6 Sentiment, Care of the Elderly



5. Trends: Dermatology

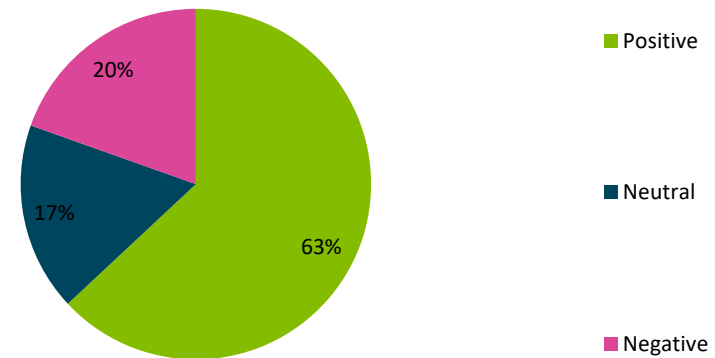
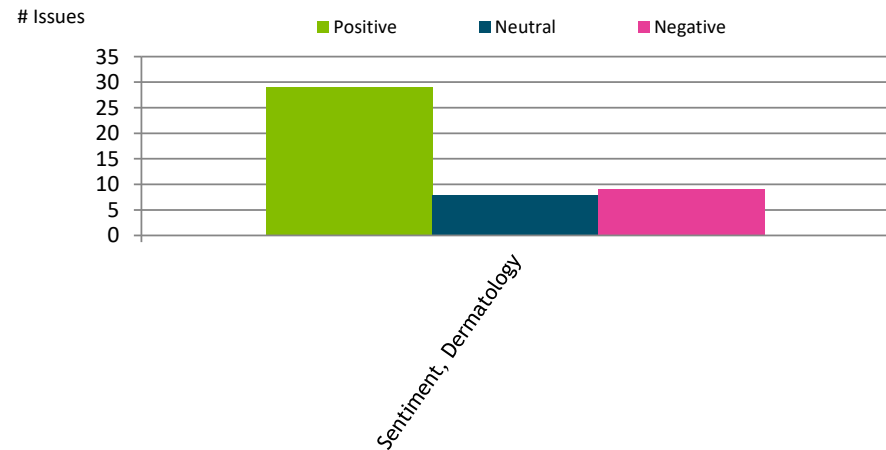


5.7 Trends, Dermatology (46 issues from 9 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

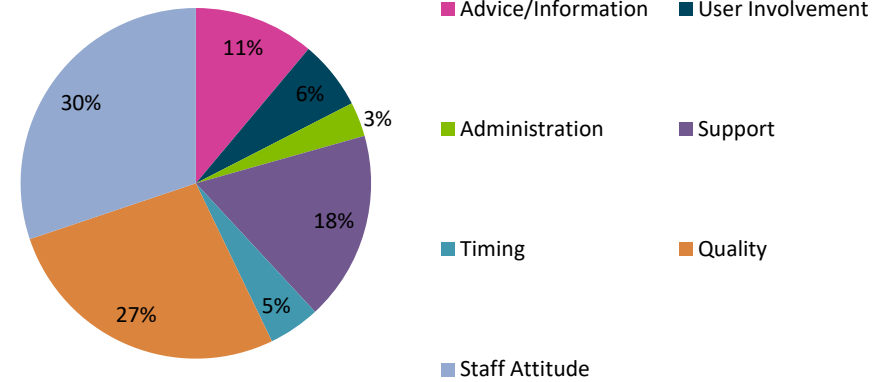
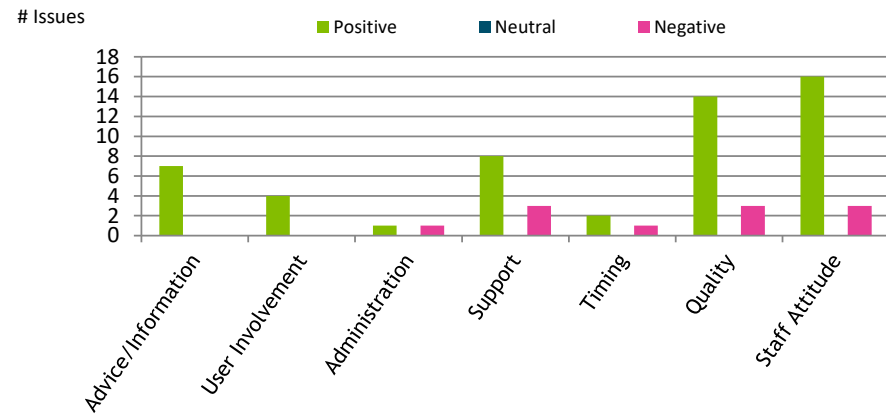
5.8 Sentiment, Dermatology



5. Trends: Ear, Nose & Throat

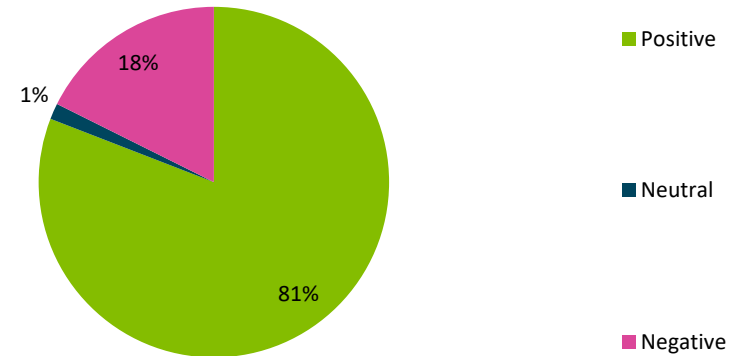
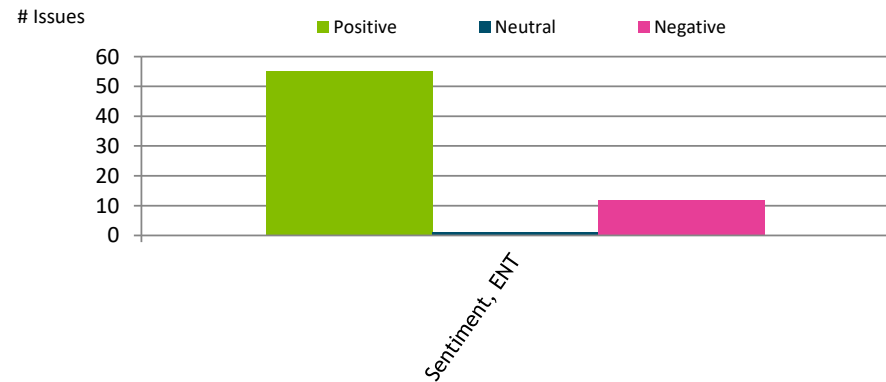


5.9 Trends, Ear, Nose & Throat (68 issues from 9 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

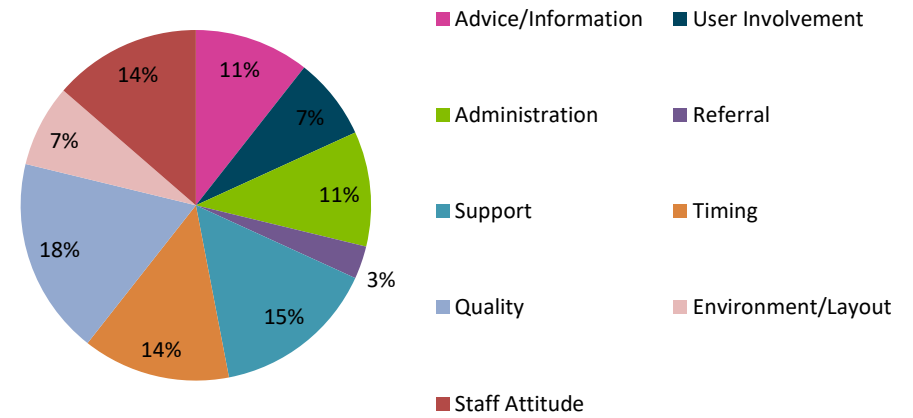
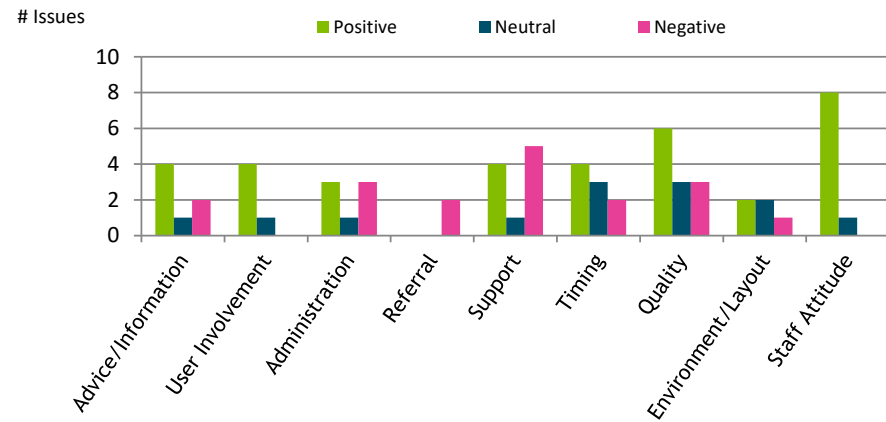
5.10 Sentiment, Ear, Nose & Throat



5. Trends: Fracture Clinic

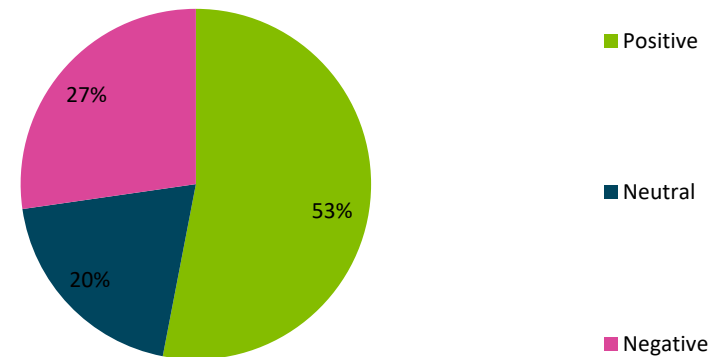
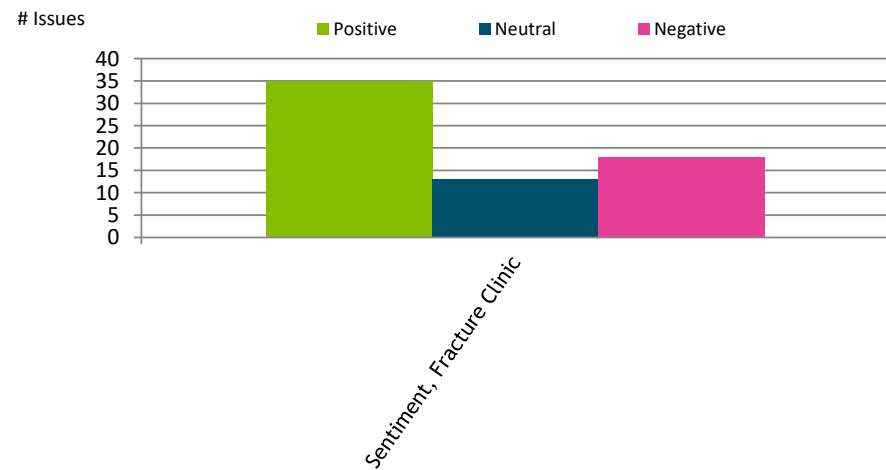


5.11 Trends, Fracture Clinic (66 issues from 10 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

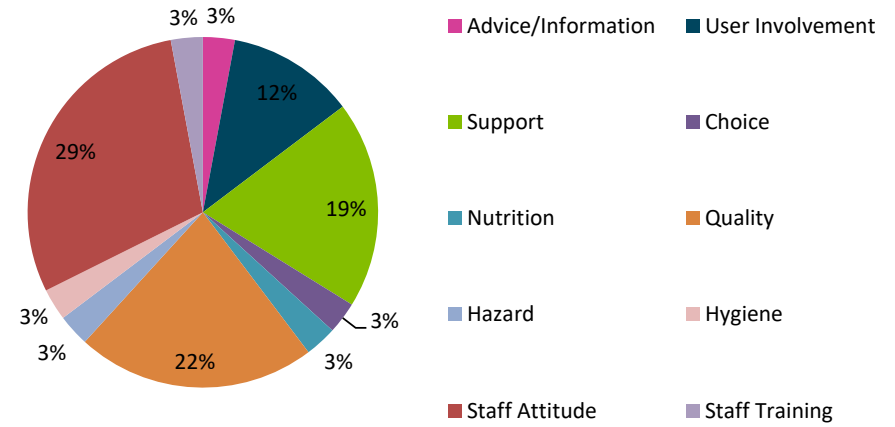
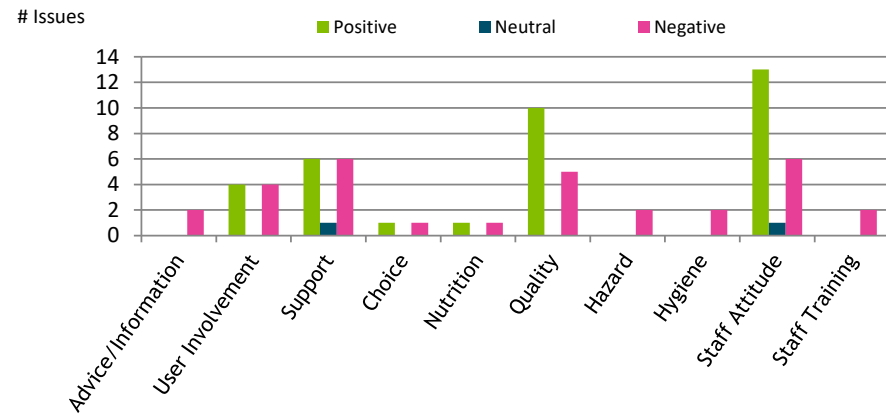
5.12 Sentiment, Fracture Clinic



5. Trends: Inpatients (General)

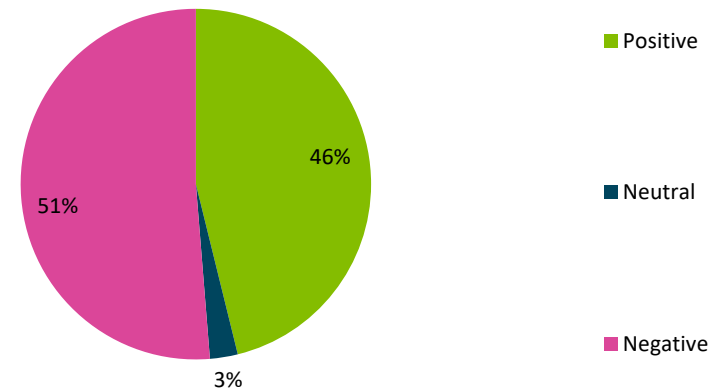
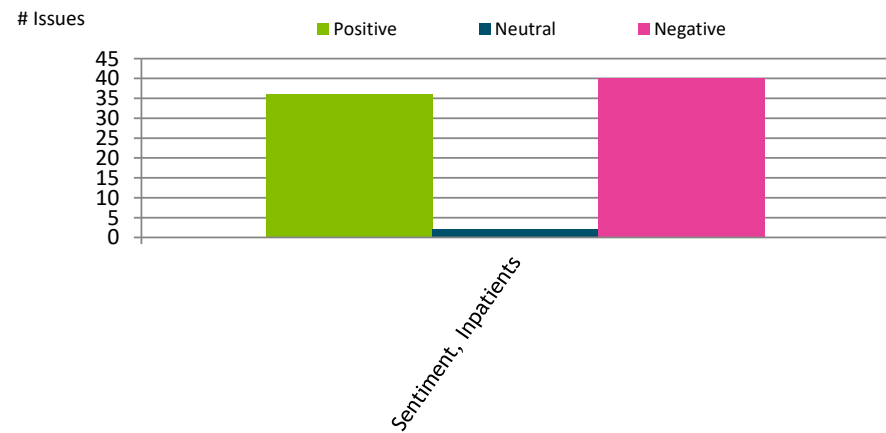


5.13 Trends, General Inpatients (78 issues from 15 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

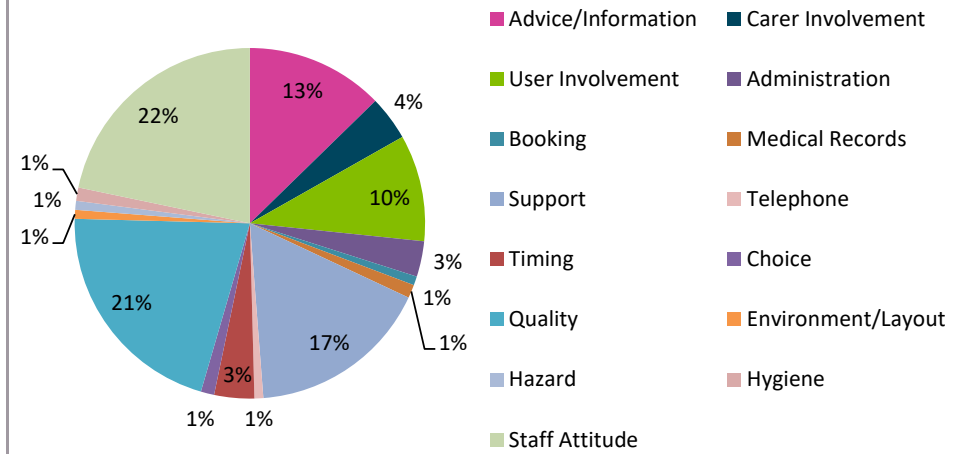
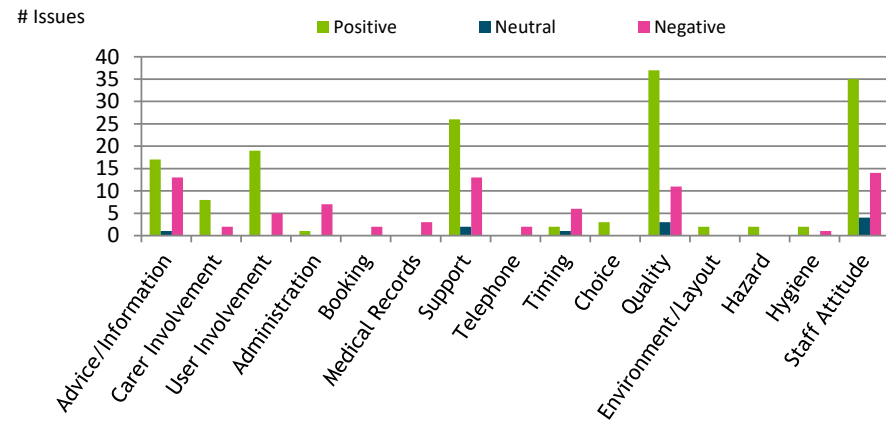
5.14 Sentiment, General Inpatients



5. Trends: Maternity

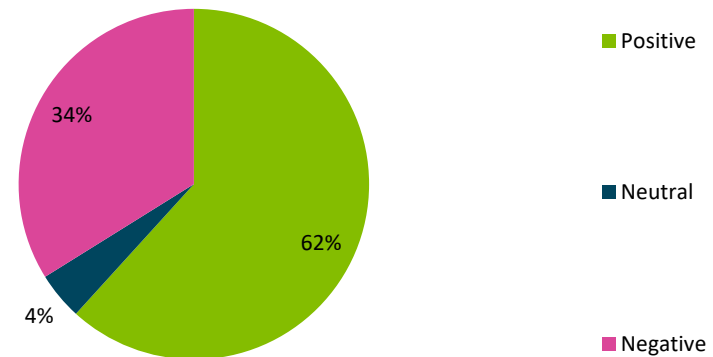
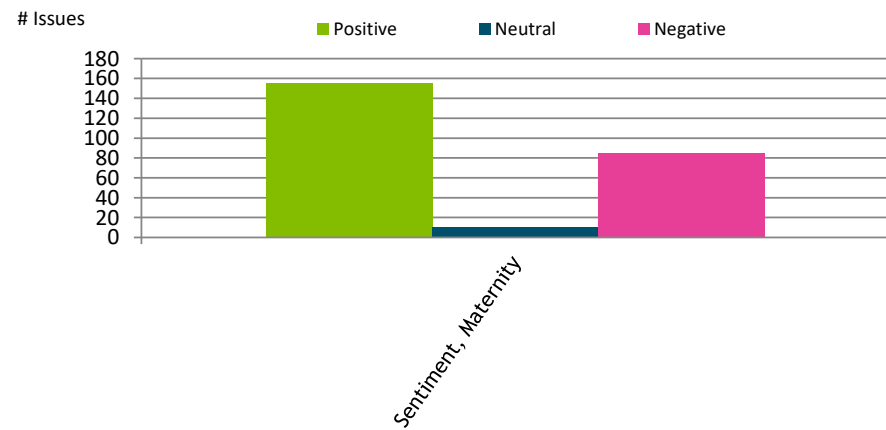


5.15 Trends, Maternity (251 issues from 38 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

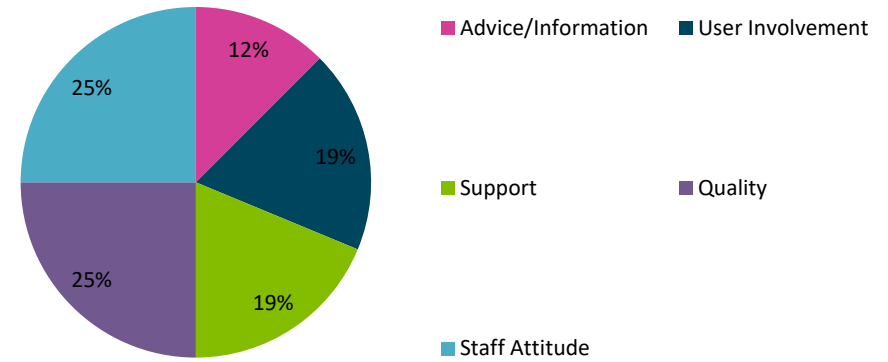
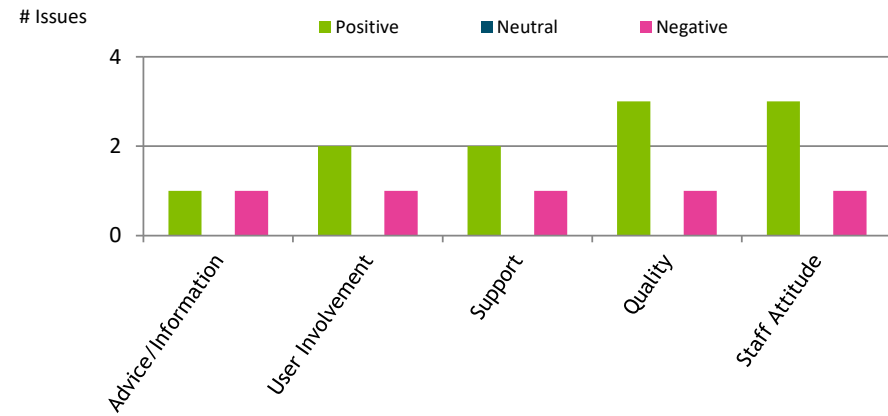
5.16 Sentiment, Maternity



5. Trends: Obstetrics and Gynaecology

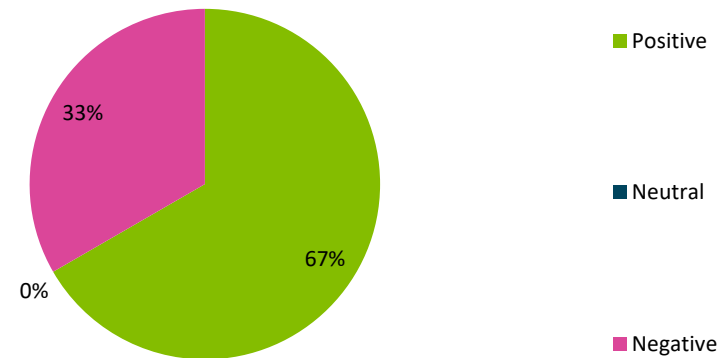
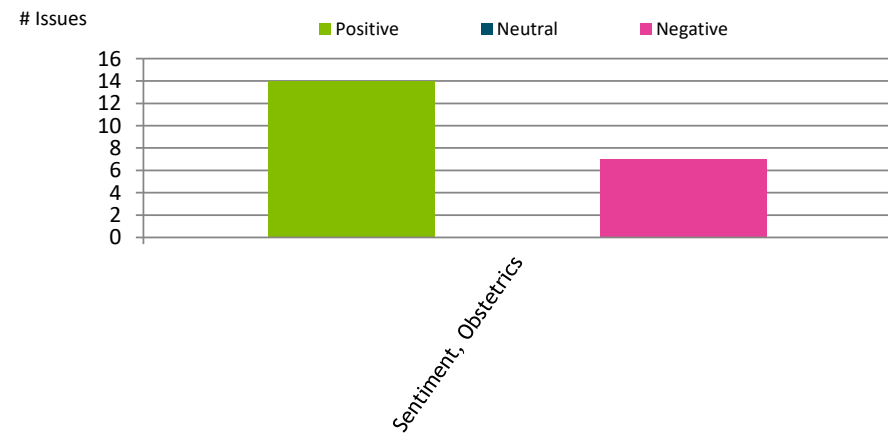


5.17 Trends, Obstetrics and Gynaecology (21 issues from 4 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

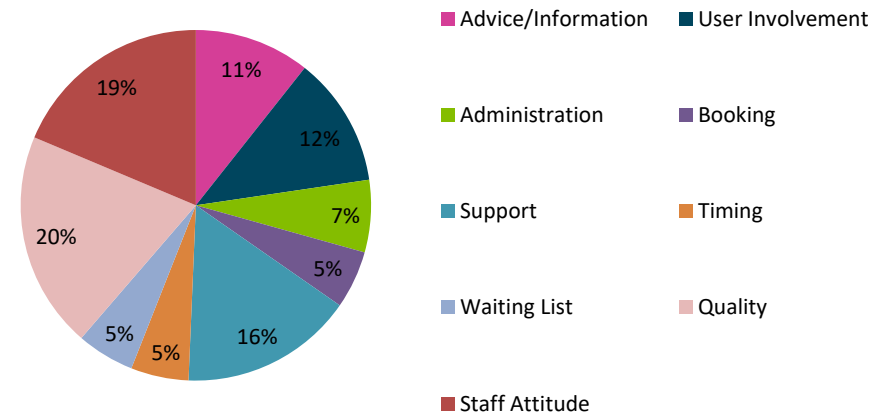
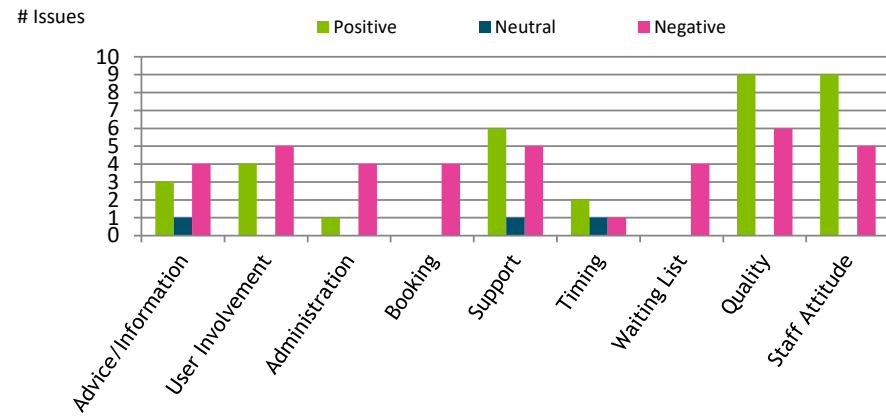
5.18 Sentiment, Obstetrics and Gynaecology



5. Trends: Ophthalmology

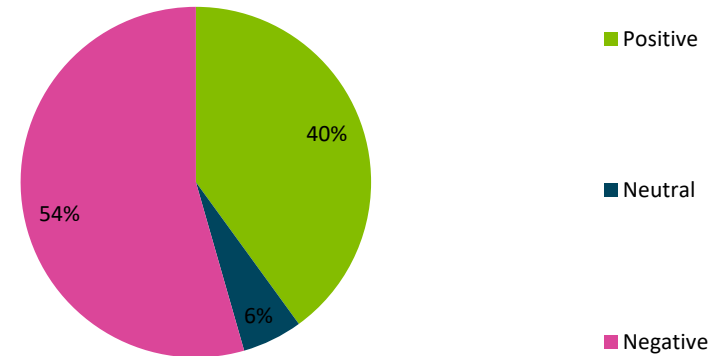
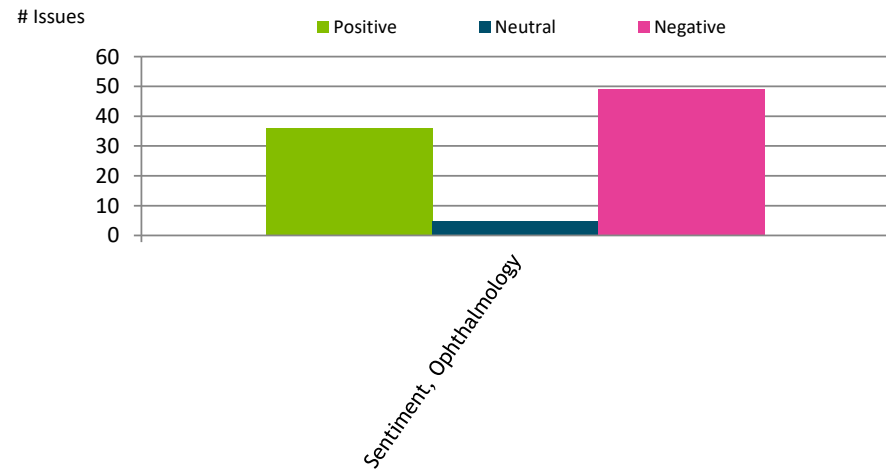


5.19 Trends, Ophthalmology (90 issues from 12 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

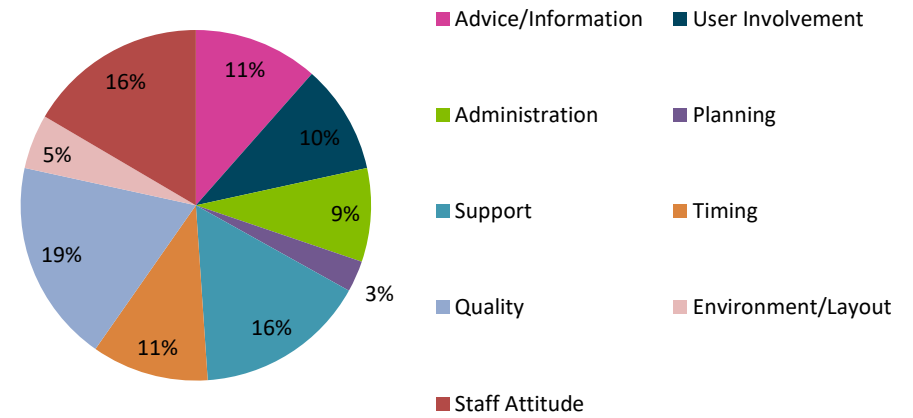
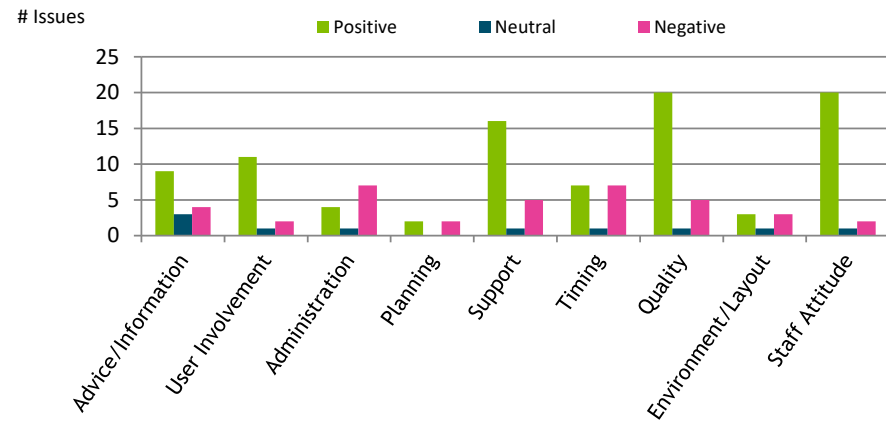
5.20 Sentiment, Ophthalmology



5. Trends: Orthopaedics

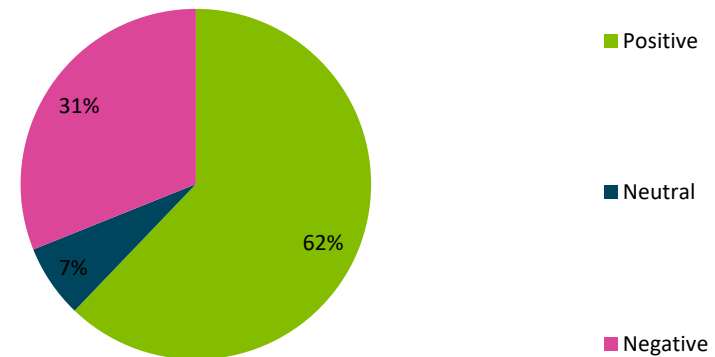
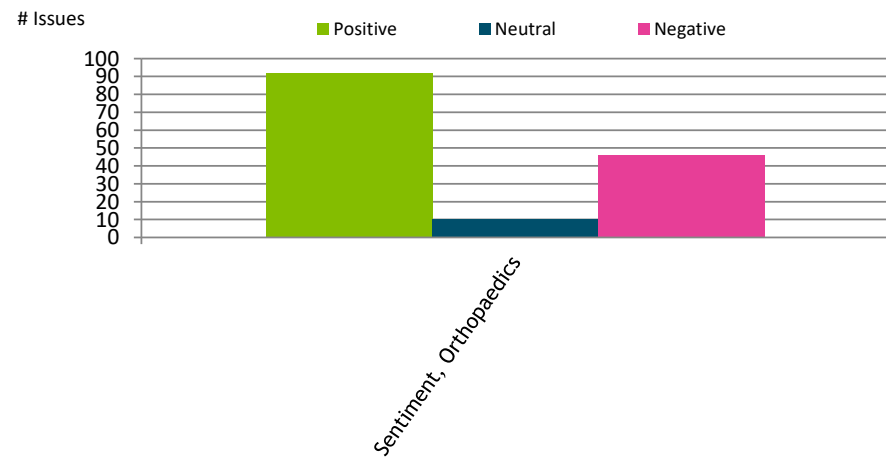


5.21 Trends, Orthopaedics (148 issues from 22 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

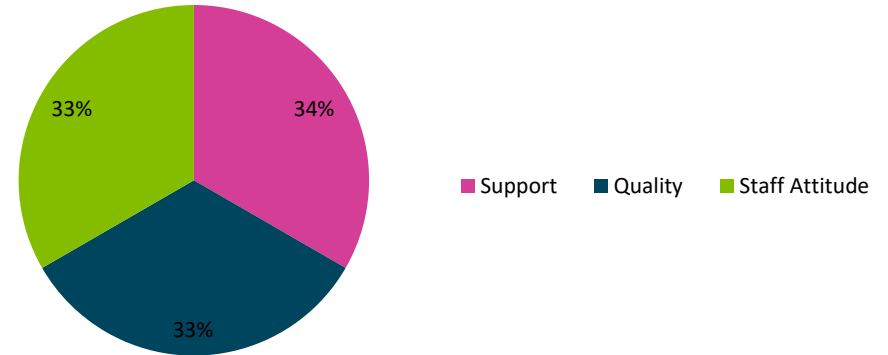
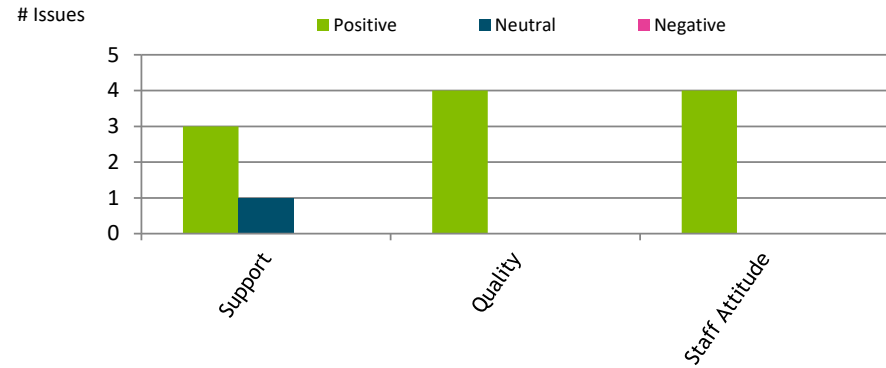
5.22 Sentiment, Orthopaedics



5. Trends: Paediatrics

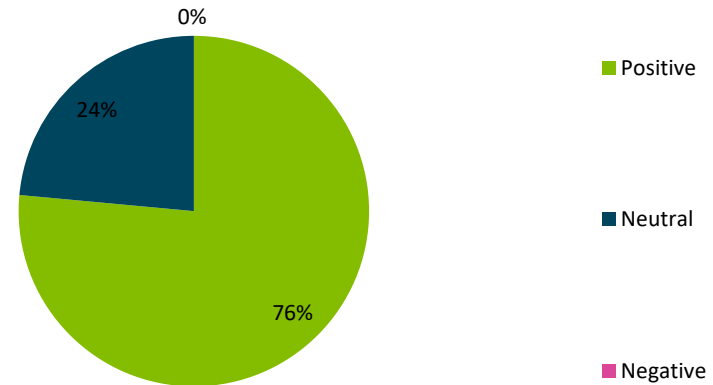
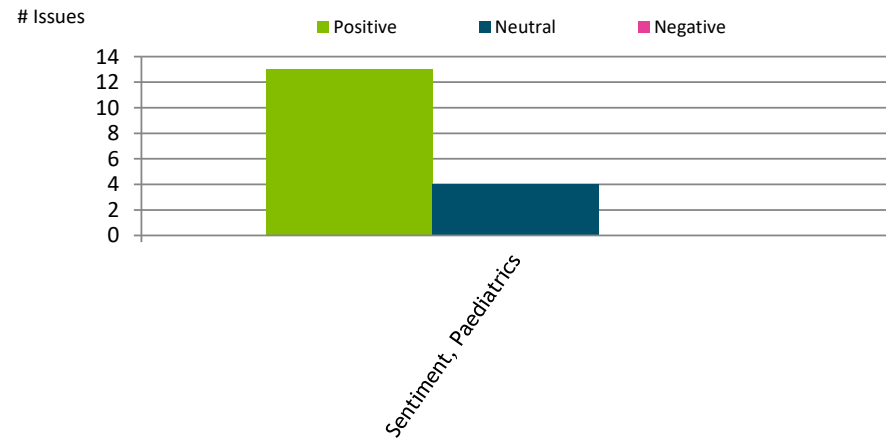


5.23 Trends, Paediatrics (17 issues from 2 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

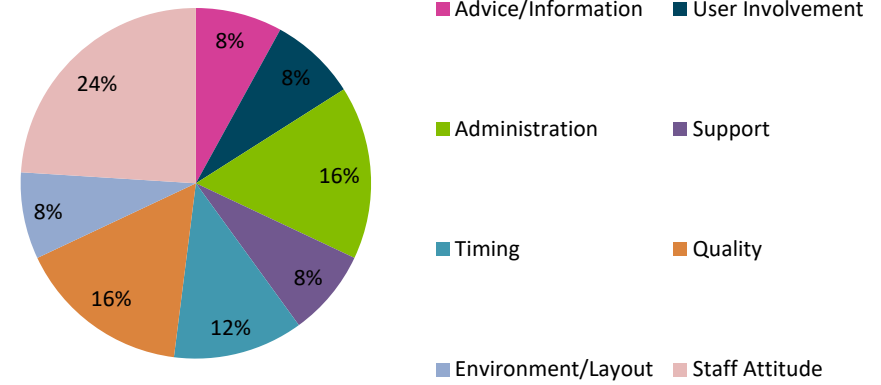
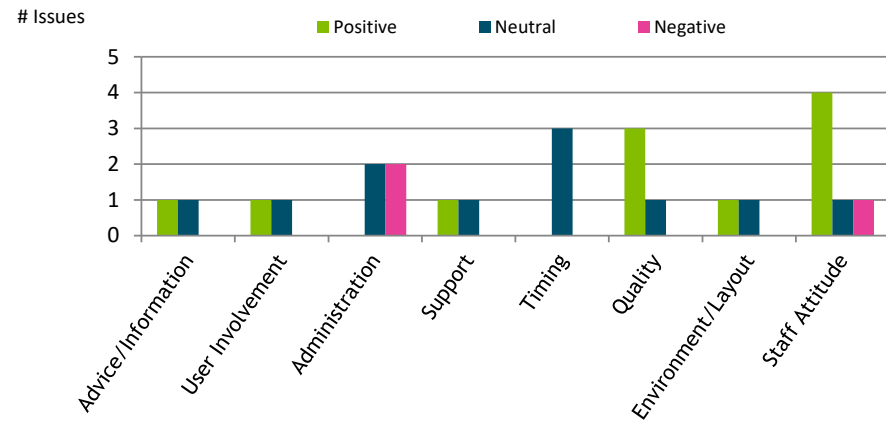
5.24 Sentiment, Paediatrics



5. Trends: Phlebotomy

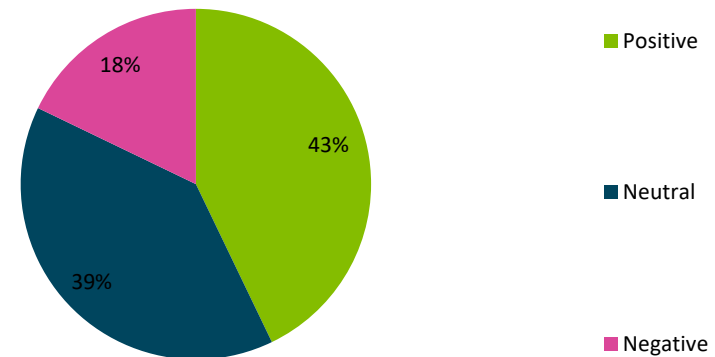
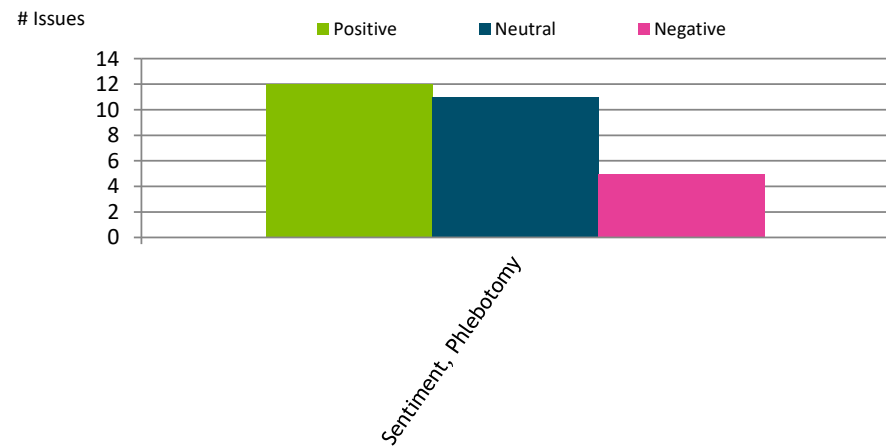


5.25 Trends, Phlebotomy (28 issues from 7 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

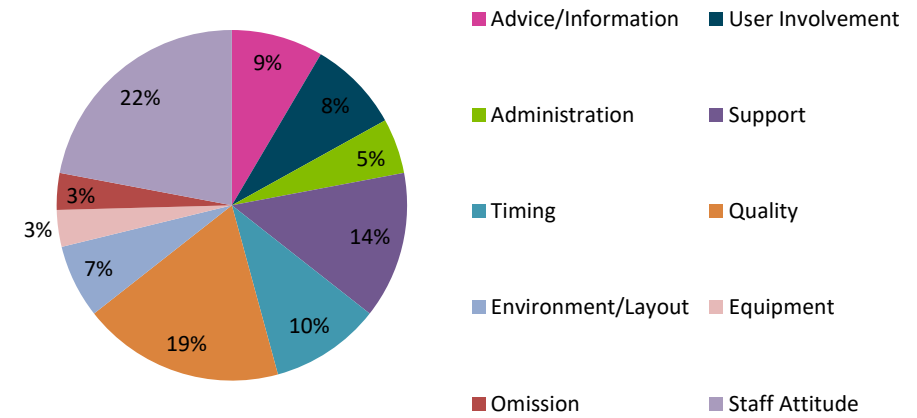
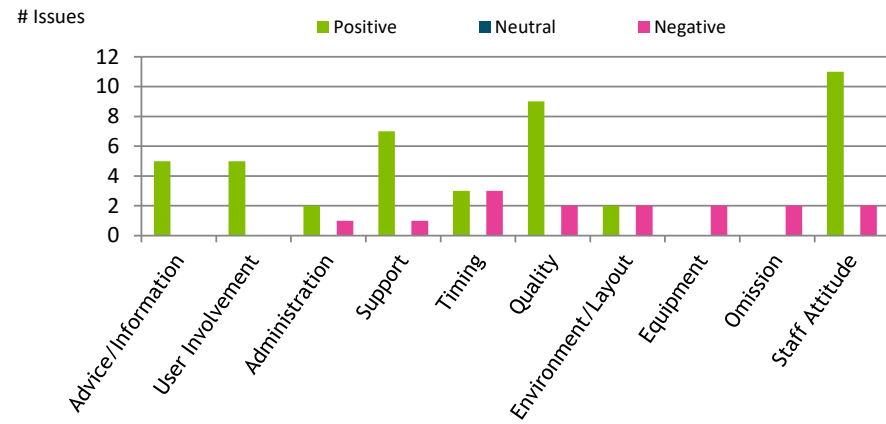
5.26 Sentiment, Paediatrics



5. Trends: Radiography

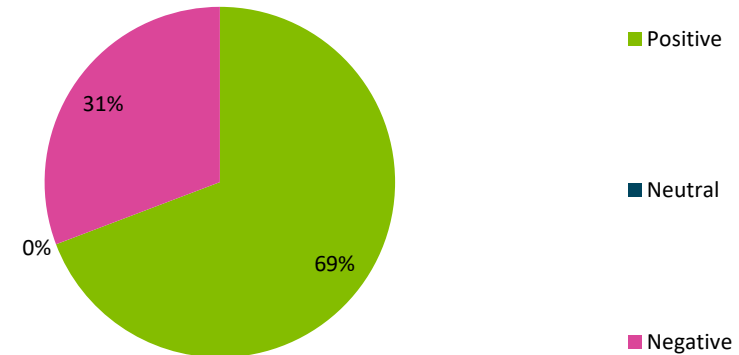
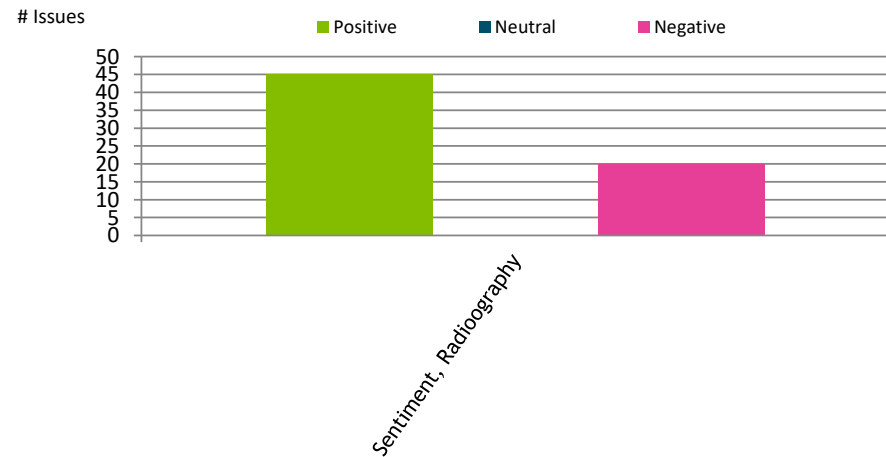


5.27 Trends, Radiography (65 issues from 13 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

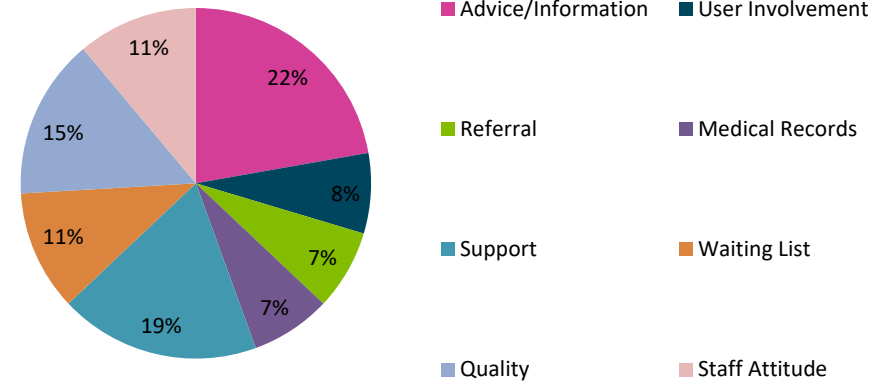
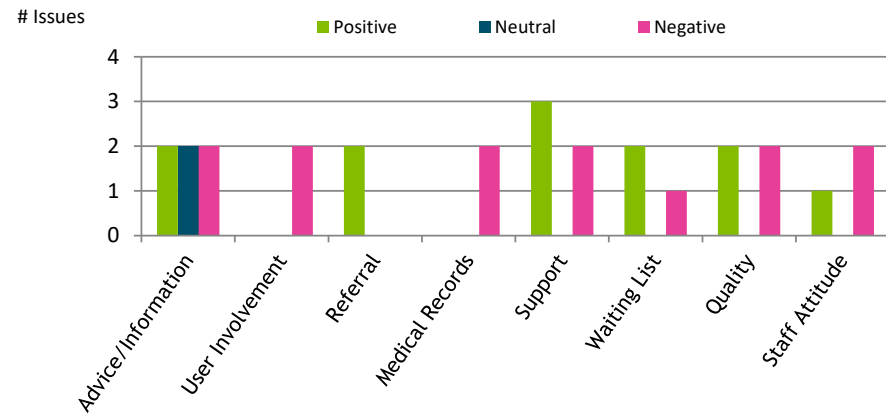
5.28 Sentiment, Radiography



5. Trends: Rheumatology

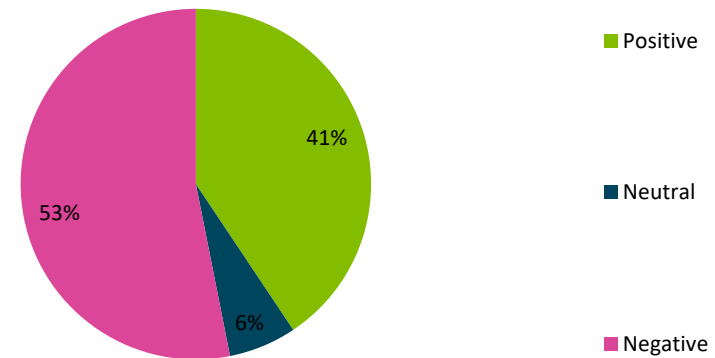
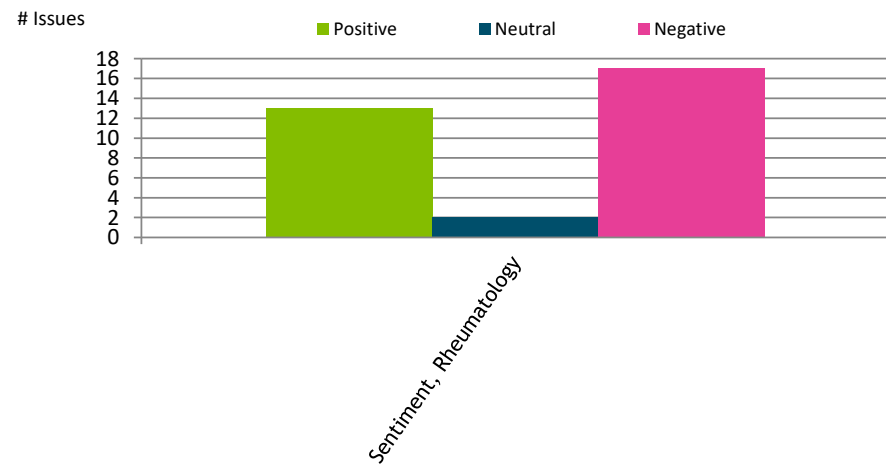


5.29 Trends, Rheumatology (32 issues from 5 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

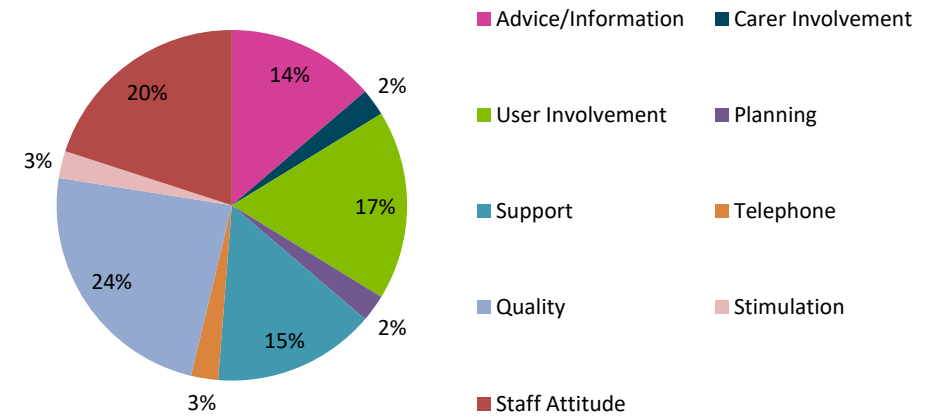
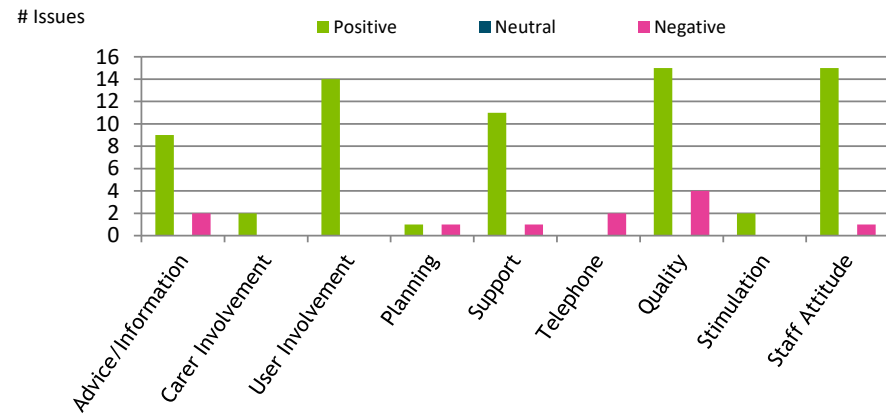
5.30 Sentiment, Rheumatology



5. Trends: Surgery (General)

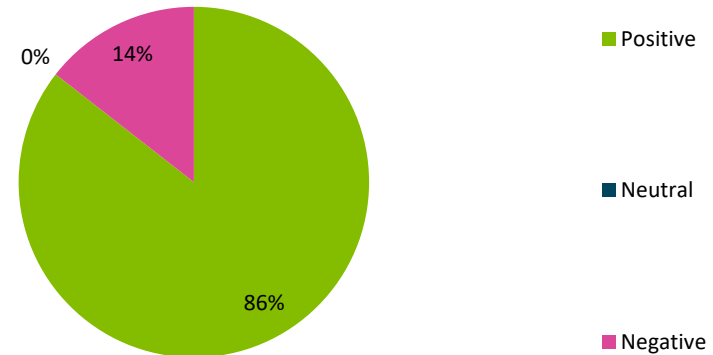
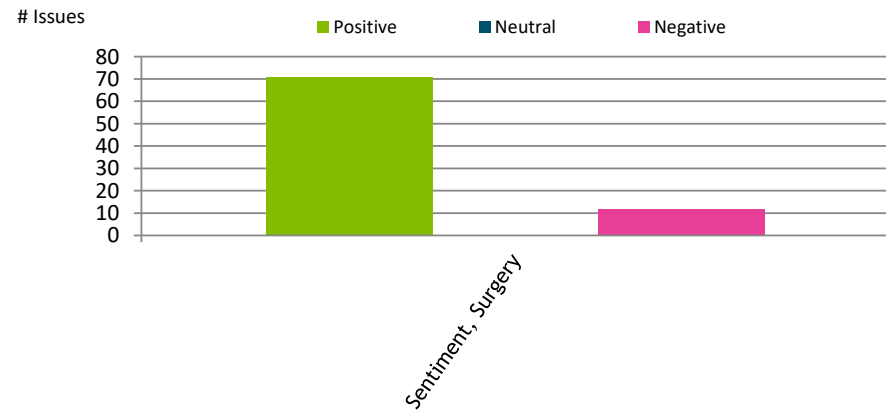


5.31 Trends, General Surgery (83 issues from 10 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

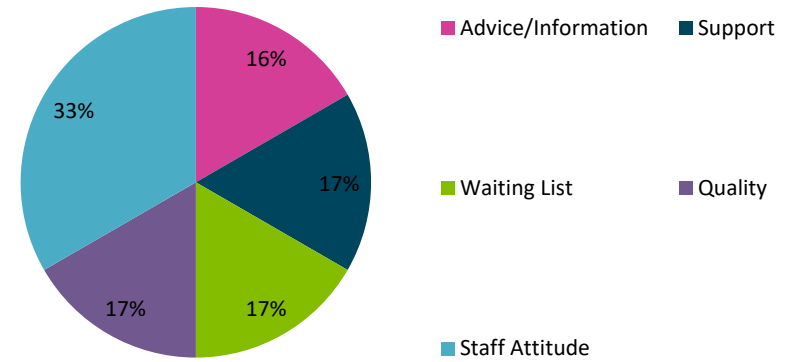
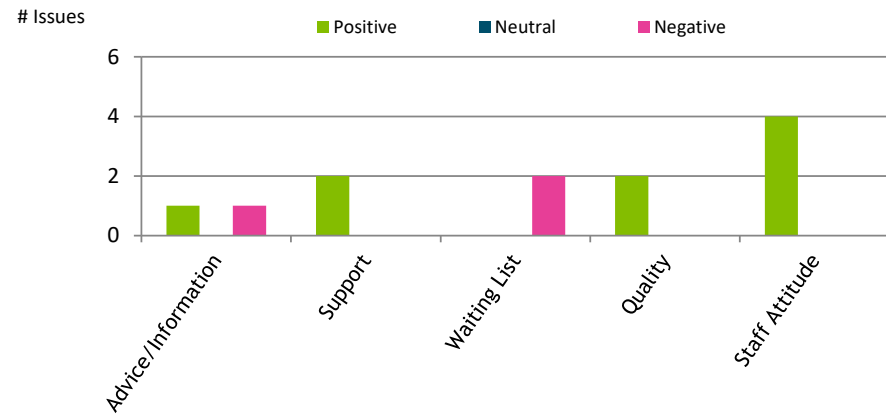
5.32 Sentiment, General Surgery



5. Trends: Urology

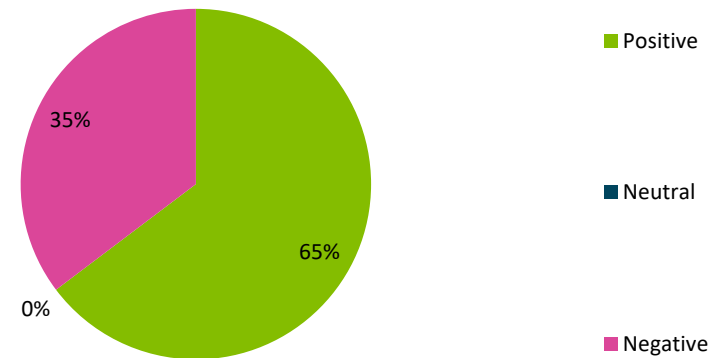
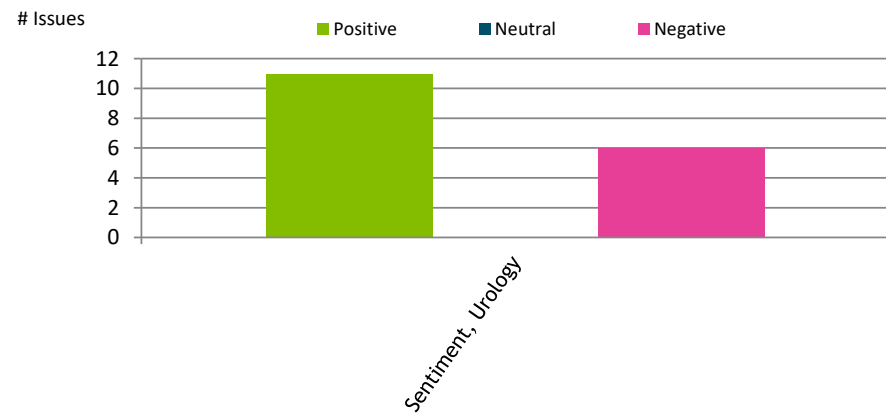


5.33 Trends, Urology (17 issues from 4 people)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

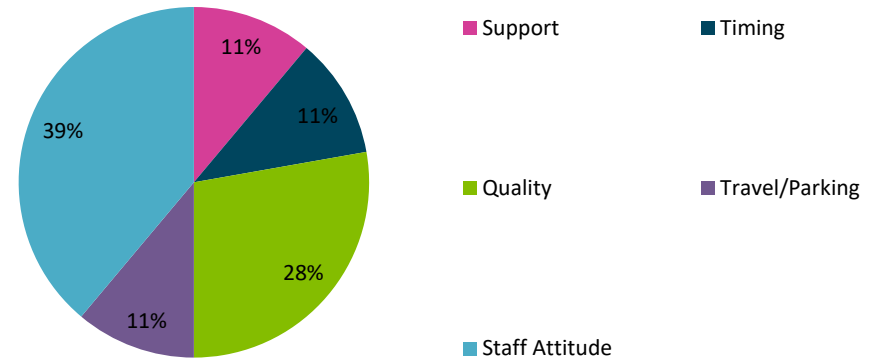
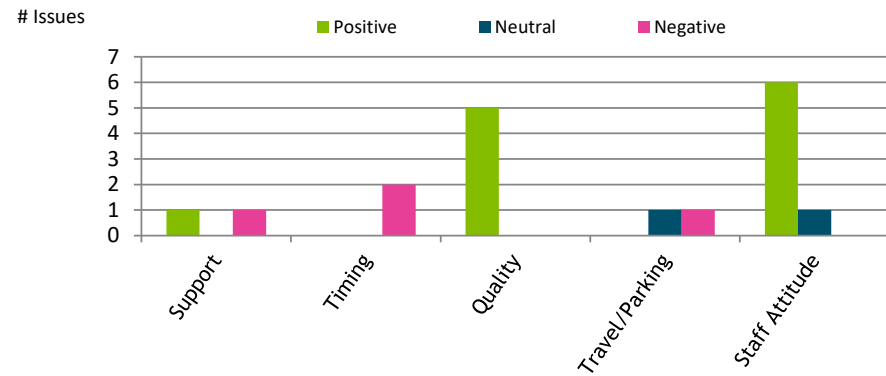
5.34 Sentiment, Urology



6. Care Pathway: Transport (ability to get to-and-from services)

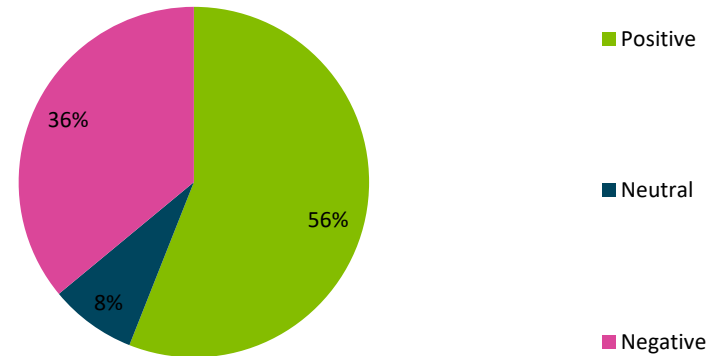
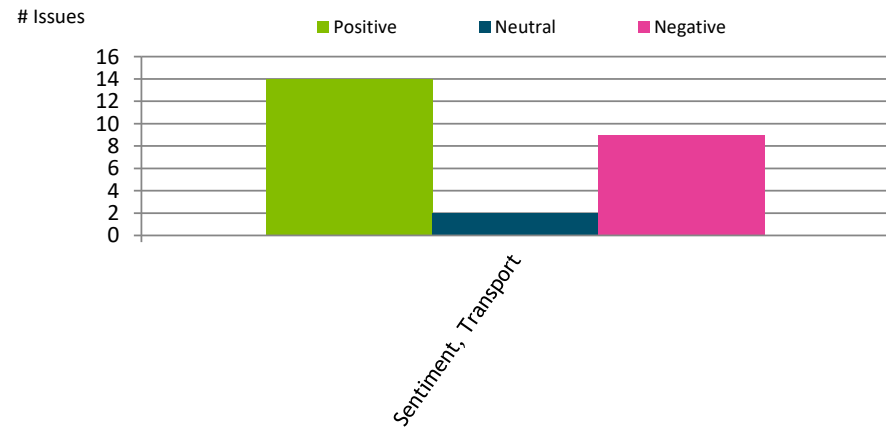


6.1 Trends, Transport (25 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

6.2 Sentiment, Transport

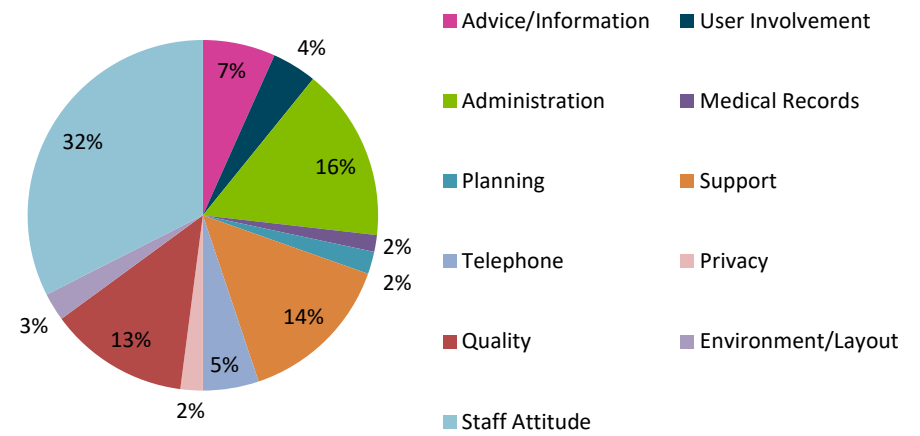
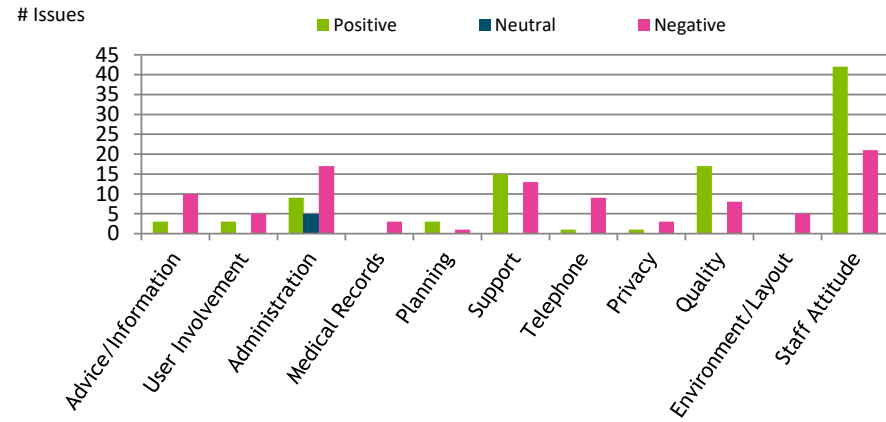


Quarterly Benchmark: 6% decline on the previous quarter

6. Care Pathway: Reception (reception services including back-office)

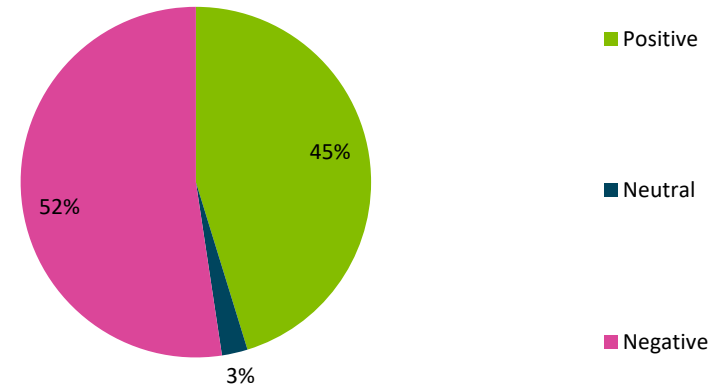
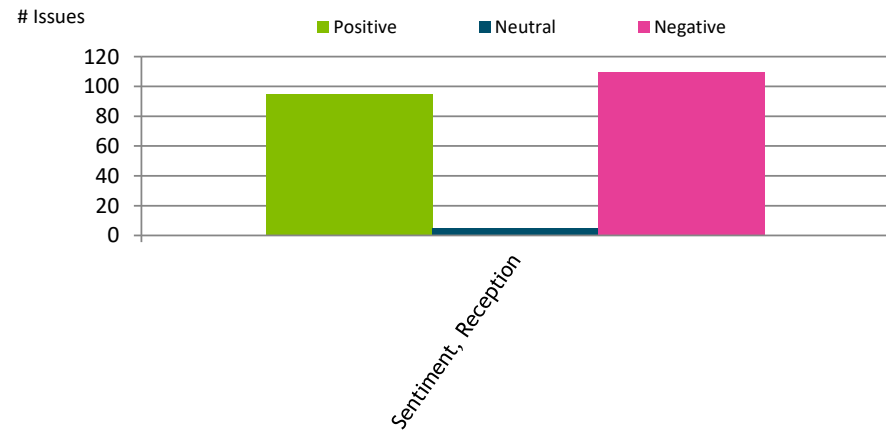


6.3 Trends, Reception (210 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

6.4 Sentiment, Reception

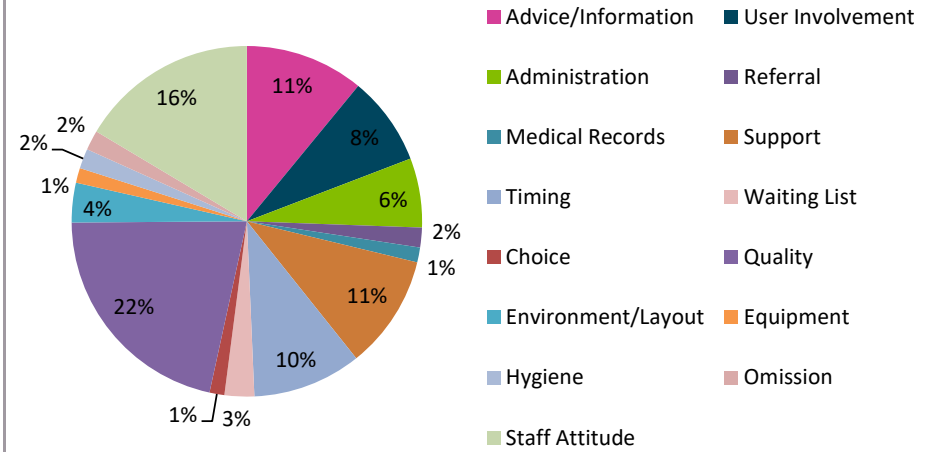
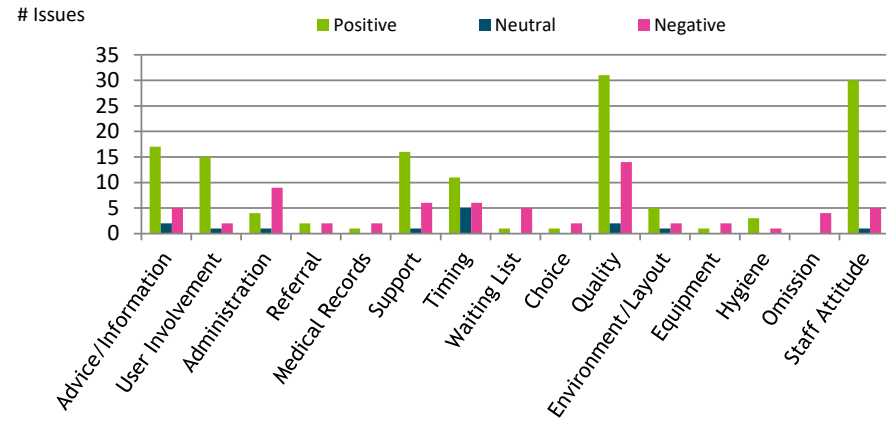


Quarterly Benchmark: 2% improvement on the previous quarter

6. Care Pathway: Diagnosis/Testing (diagnosis of condition, including testing and scans)

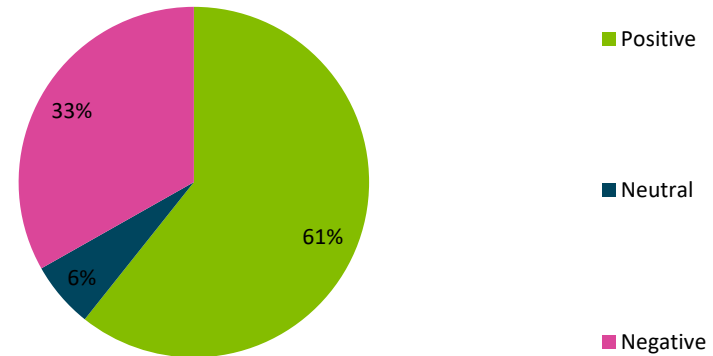
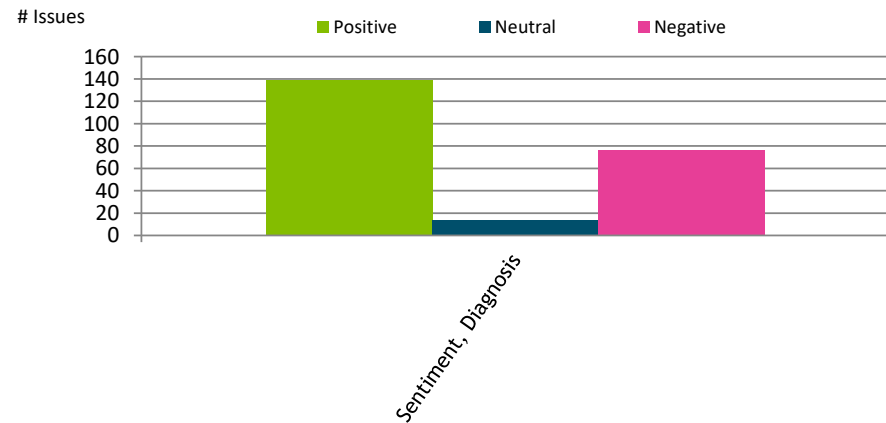


6.5 Trends, Diagnosis/Testing (229 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

6.6 Sentiment, Diagnosis/Testing

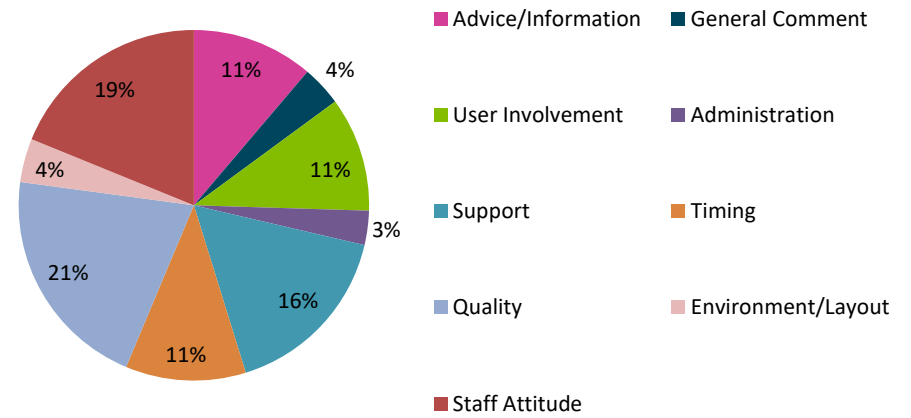
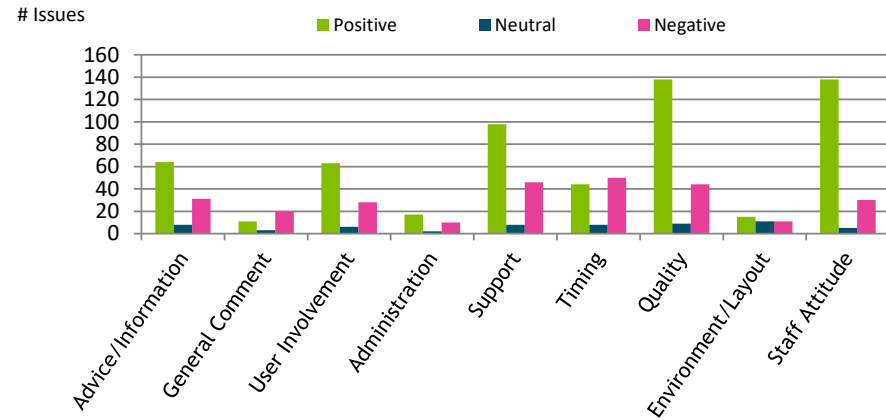


Quarterly Benchmark: 2% improvement on the previous quarter

6. Care Pathway: Clinical Treatment (treatment provided by trained clinicians)

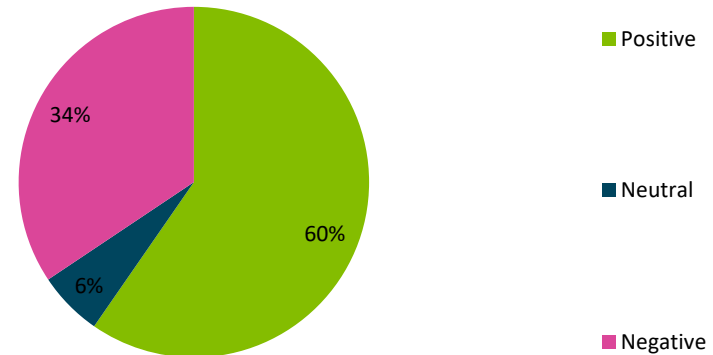
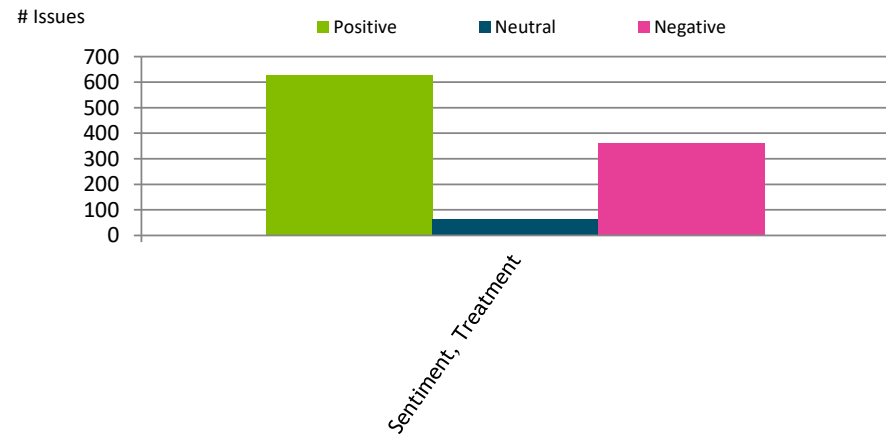


6.7 Trends, Clinical Treatment (1053 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

6.8 Sentiment, Clinical Treatment

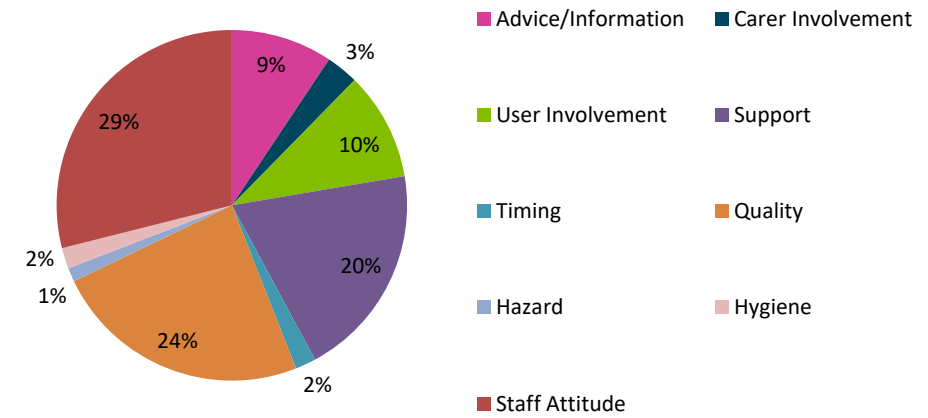
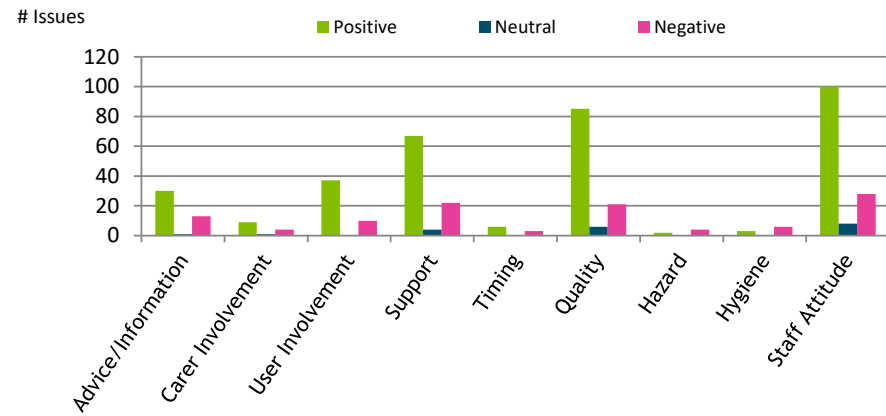


Quarterly Benchmark: 3% improvement on the previous quarter

6. Care Pathway: Clinical Nursing (care provided by trained nurses)

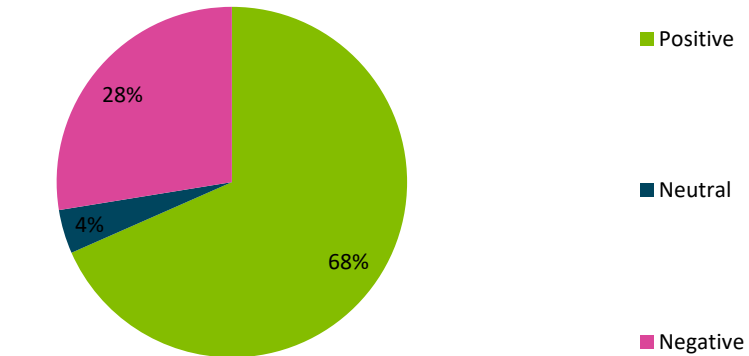
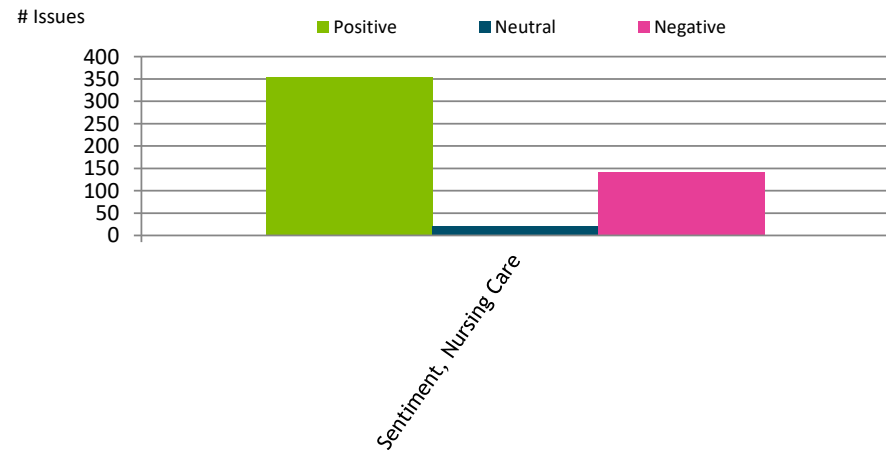


6.9 Trends, Clinical Nursing (519 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall

6.10 Sentiment, Clinical Nursing

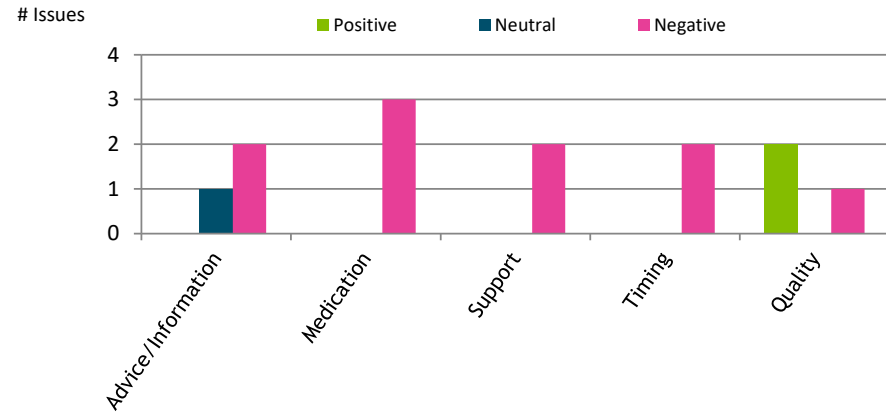


Quarterly Benchmark: 3% improvement on the previous quarter

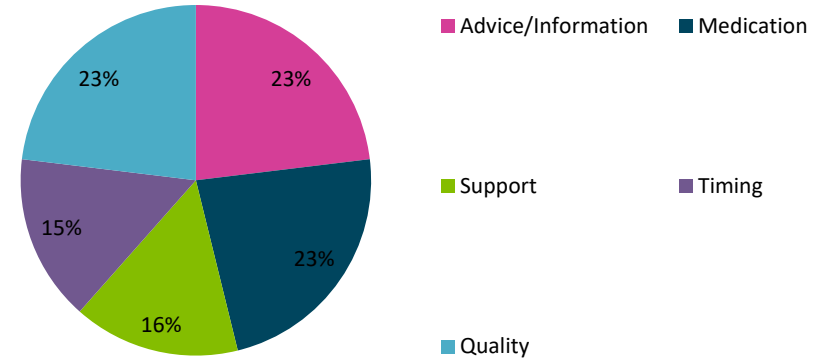
6. Care Pathway: Discharge (discharge from a service)



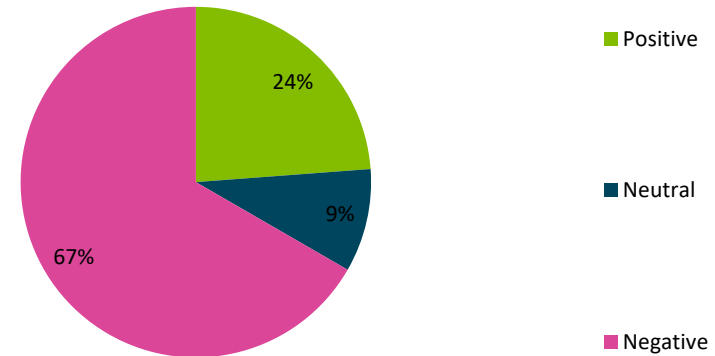
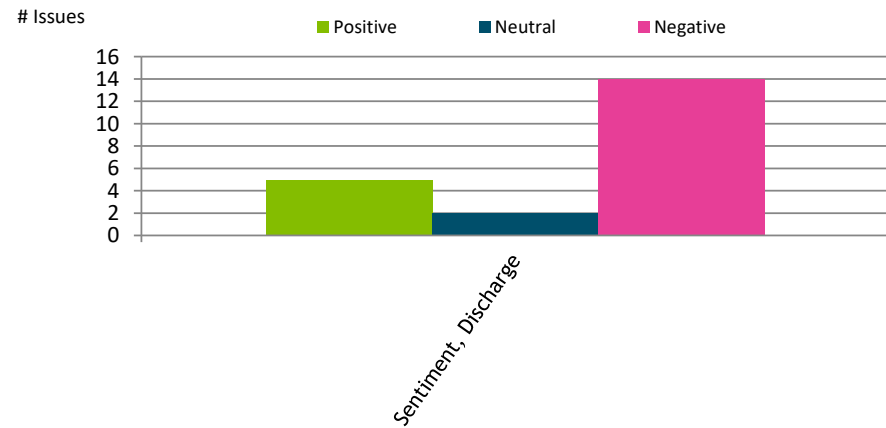
6.11 Trends, Discharge (21 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall



6.12 Sentiment, Discharge

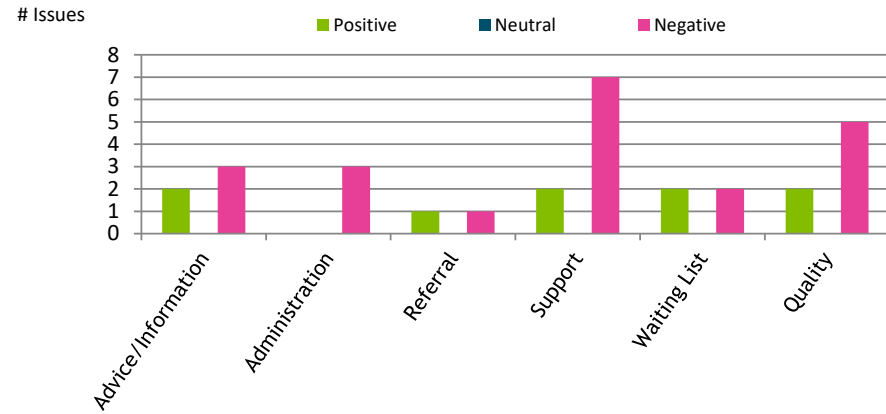


Quarterly Benchmark: N/A

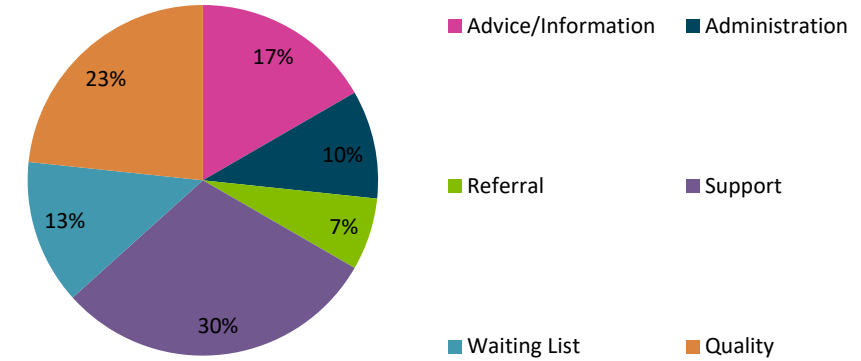
6. Care Pathway: Follow On (supplementary services following discharge, including care packages)



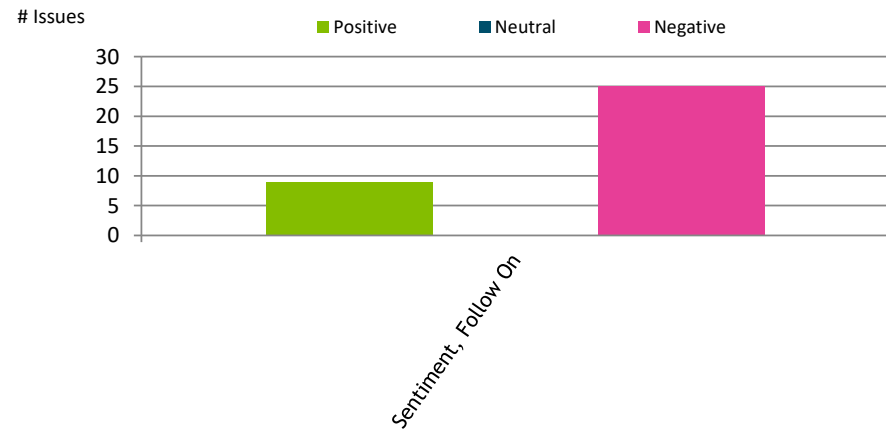
6.13 Trends, Follow On (34 issues)



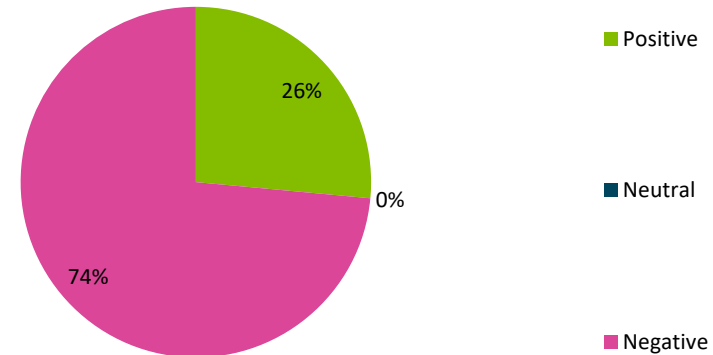
Issues receiving the most comments overall



6.14 Sentiment, Follow On



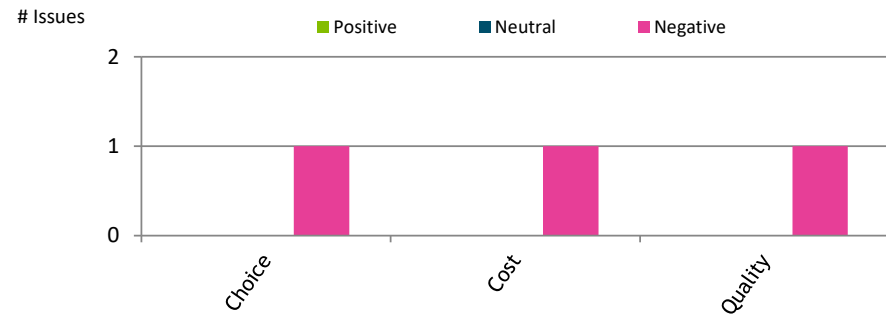
Quarterly Benchmark: 3% decline on the previous quarter



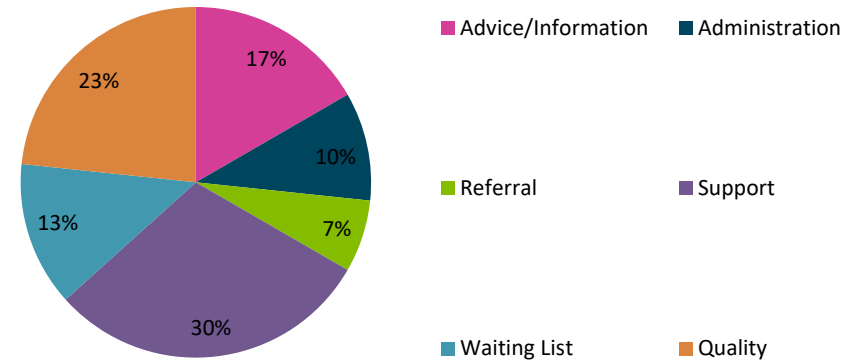
6. Care Pathway: Community (community based health services)



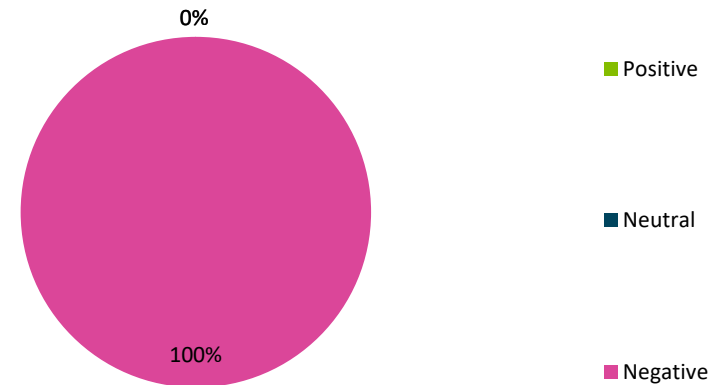
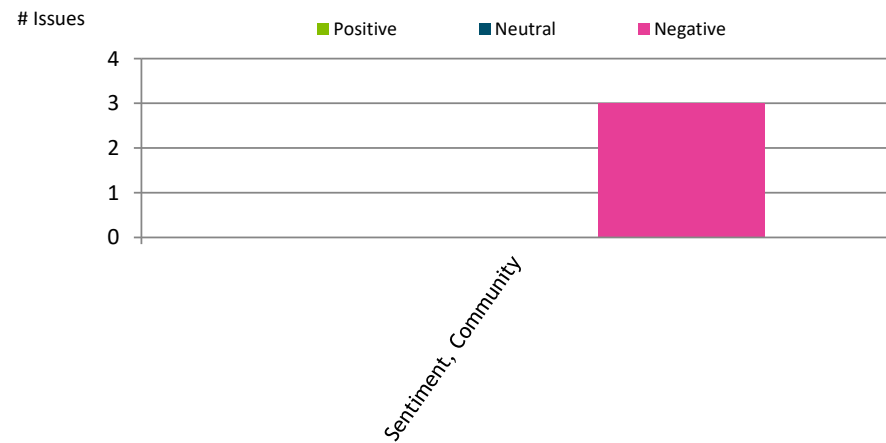
6.15 Trends, Community (3 issues)



Issues receiving the most comments overall



6.16 Sentiment, Community



Quarterly Benchmark: N/A



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* Findings may not be representative of all service users experiences or opinions.

8. Data Table: Number of issues



	Issue Name	Descriptor	# Issues			
			Positive	Neutral	Negative	Total
Patients/Carers	Advice/Information	<i>Communication, including access to advice and information.</i>	117	12	64	193
	Carer Involvement	<i>Involvement of carers, friends or family members.</i>	19	1	12	32
	General Comment	<i>A generalised statement (ie; "The doctor was good.")</i>	13	3	24	40
	User Involvement	<i>Involvement of the service user.</i>	118	8	45	171
Systems	Administration	<i>Administrative processes and delivery.</i>	30	8	41	79
	Admission	<i>Physical admission to a hospital ward, or other service.</i>	0	0	4	4
	Booking	<i>Ability to book, reschedule or cancel appointments.</i>	2	0	12	14
	Cancellations	<i>Cancellation of appointment by the service provider.</i>	0	0	11	11
	Data Protection	<i>General data protection (including GDPR).</i>	0	0	3	3
	Referral	<i>Referral to a service.</i>	7	0	6	13
	Medical Records	<i>Management of medical records.</i>	1	0	8	9
	Medication	<i>Prescription and management of medicines.</i>	7	0	12	19
	Opening Times	<i>Opening times of a service.</i>	1	2	0	3
	Planning	<i>Leadership and general organisation.</i>	8	0	9	17
	Registration	<i>Ability to register for a service.</i>	0	0	2	2
	Support	<i>Levels of support provided.</i>	199	13	97	309
	Telephone	<i>Ability to contact a service by telephone.</i>	1	0	15	16
	Timing	<i>Physical timing (ie; length of wait at appointments).</i>	61	13	64	138
Waiting List	<i>Length of wait while on a list.</i>	4	1	20	25	
Values	Choice	<i>General choice.</i>	6	1	5	12
	Cost	<i>General cost.</i>	0	0	4	4
	Language	<i>Language, including terminology.</i>	0	0	1	1
	Nutrition	<i>Provision of sustenance.</i>	4	0	5	9
	Privacy	<i>Privacy, personal space and property.</i>	3	0	7	10
	Quality	<i>General quality of a service, or staff.</i>	280	17	94	391
	Sensory	<i>Deaf/blind or other sensory issues.</i>	0	0	0	0
	Stimulation	<i>General stimulation, including access to activities.</i>	4	0	1	5

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	Issue Name	Descriptor	# Issues			
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Environment	Catchment/Distance	<i>Distance to a service (and catchment area for eligibility).</i>	0	0	2	2
	Environment/Layout	<i>Physical environment of a service.</i>	22	12	21	55
	Equipment	<i>General equipment issues.</i>	1	0	9	10
	Hazard	<i>General hazard to safety (ie; a hospital wide infection).</i>	3	0	7	10
	Hygiene	<i>Levels of hygiene and general cleanliness.</i>	12	0	13	25
	Mobility	<i>Physical mobility to, from and within services.</i>	1	0	2	3
	Travel/Parking	<i>Ability to travel or park.</i>	1	1	6	8
Staff	Omission	<i>General omission (ie; transport did not arrive).</i>	0	0	11	11
	Security/Conduct	<i>General security of a service, including conduct of staff.</i>	1	0	1	2
	Staff Attitude	<i>Attitude, compassion and empathy of staff.</i>	317	15	84	416
	Complaints	<i>Ability to log and resolve a complaint.</i>	1	0	5	6
	Staff Training	<i>Training of staff.</i>	0	0	5	5
	Staffing Levels	<i>General availability of staff.</i>	1	0	10	11
Total:			1245	107	742	2094