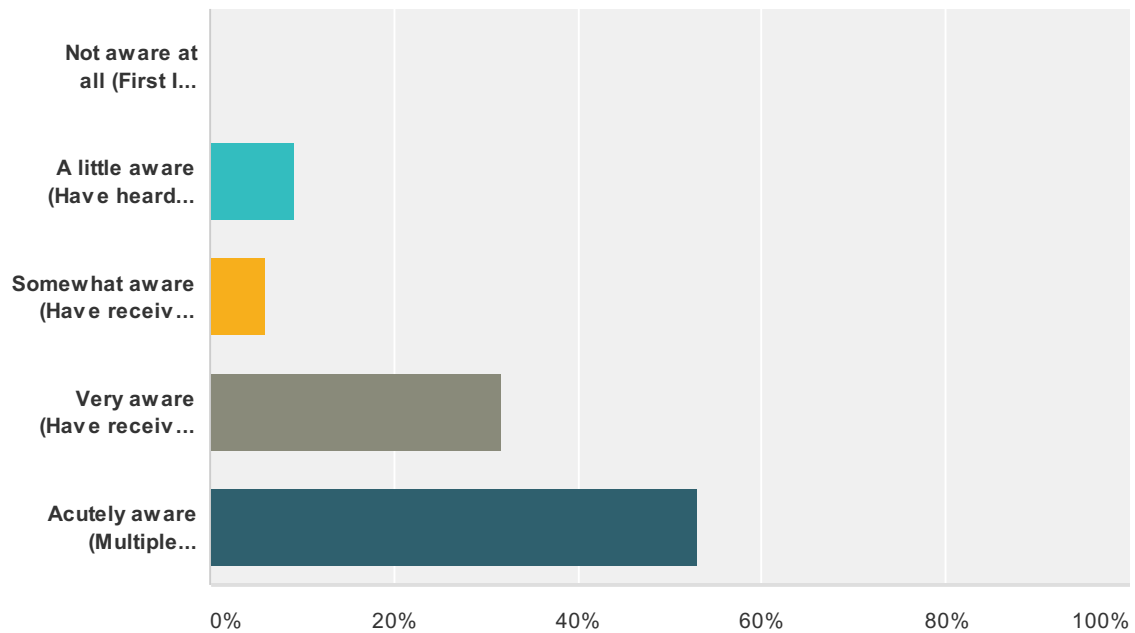


Q1 Are you aware of a potential shortage of IV fluids? (Select best answer)

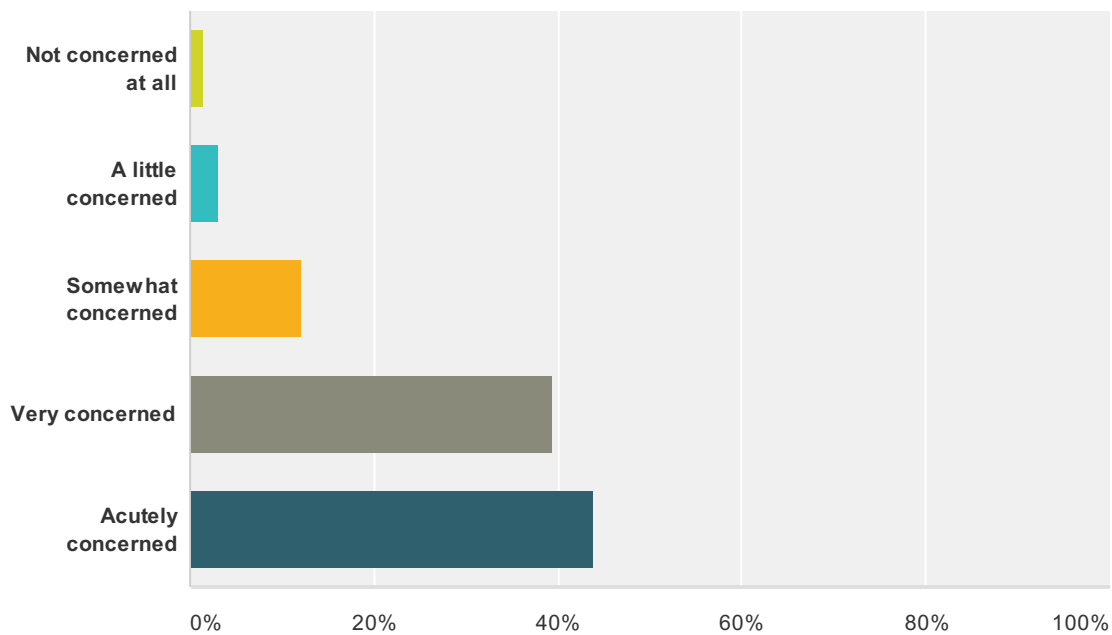
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Not aware at all (First I have heard about this issue)	0%	0
A little aware (Have heard rumor)	9.09%	6
Somewhat aware (Have received a warning from a manufacturer)	6.06%	4
Very aware (Have received multiple warnings from manufacturers)	31.82%	21
Acutely aware (Multiple warnings and have been impacted)	53.03%	35
Total		66

Q2 How concerned are you over this potential shortage? (Select best answer)

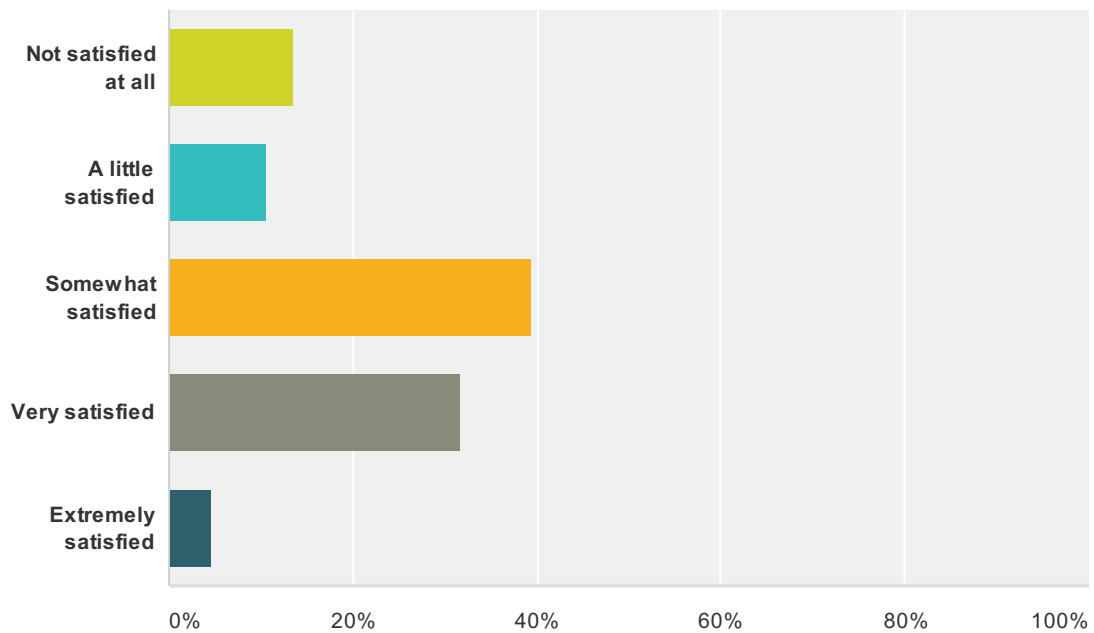
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Not concerned at all	1.52%	1
A little concerned	3.03%	2
Somewhat concerned	12.12%	8
Very concerned	39.39%	26
Acutely concerned	43.94%	29
Total		66

Q3 How satisfied are you with your distributor's attention to this issue? (Select best answer)

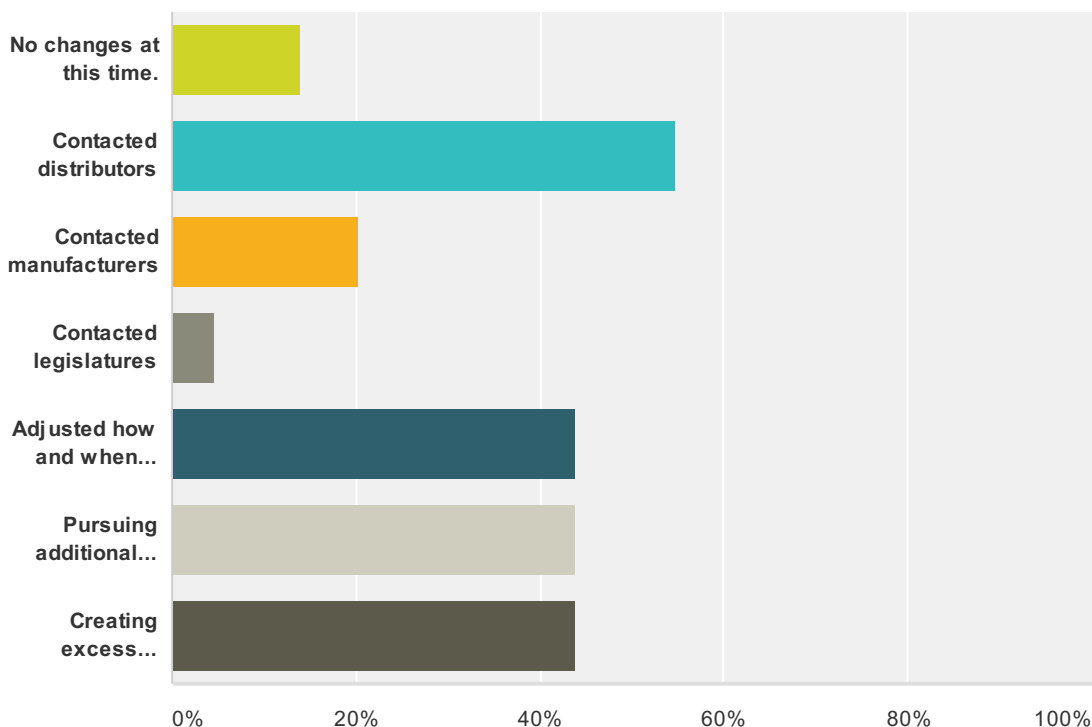
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Answer Choices	Responses	
Not satisfied at all	13.64%	9
A little satisfied	10.61%	7
Somewhat satisfied	39.39%	26
Very satisfied	31.82%	21
Extremely satisfied	4.55%	3
Total		66

Q4 Have you made any practice changes to adjustment for this potential shortage? (Select all that apply)

Answered: 64 Skipped: 2



Answer Choices	Responses
No changes at this time.	14.06% 9
Contacted distributors	54.69% 35
Contacted manufacturers	20.31% 13
Contacted legislatures	4.69% 3
Adjusted how and when certain fluids are used.	43.75% 28
Pursuing additional distributors	43.75% 28
Creating excess inventory	43.75% 28
Total Respondents: 64	

#	Other (please specify)	Date
1	trying to order what we can to not run out	2/19/2014 8:44 AM
2	critical management of inventory	2/10/2014 3:19 PM
3	We are currently purchasing the additional stock our distributor has and is allocating to each account. Also only able to purchase large 1000cc bags and are considering making our own smaller size bags. Also considering using D5W as a substitute when possible.	2/10/2014 1:49 PM
4	Changed products when usual items not available	2/10/2014 1:24 PM

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5	Substituting dextrose based solution where we can and ordering maximum allocation regardless of whether we need it or not.	2/10/2014 1:21 PM
6	we are using different mls of fluids and order weekly to ensure supply	2/10/2014 1:14 PM

Q5 Additional comments are welcome:

Answered: 12 Skipped: 54

#	Responses	Date
1	Our practices Huntersville and Mooresville have seen no shortage...yet.	2/19/2014 4:56 PM
2	In response to question #1, I answered acutely aware. This answer is based on my search for IV fluids with very few notices from mfg. My regular rep finally did some research once I complained about the shortage.	2/12/2014 9:51 AM
3	Shortages were first apparent mid summer and have gotten progressively worse over the past 2 weeks. We were able to "hoard" (sorry to admit) until recently when our stock ran out. I am told by BBraun that I am on an allotment based on useage but my third party distributor is saying they know nothing about an allotment. I am being advised there will be no resolution until July /August.	2/11/2014 2:58 PM
4	We have not run out to where it has caused a problem with patient care at this point.	2/11/2014 12:36 PM
5	Manufacturers are now requiring contracts that have other IV supplies attached with penalties if you do not purchase all supplies from them	2/10/2014 9:37 PM
6	This is a major problem and all distributors are having the same limitations.	2/10/2014 2:28 PM
7	We have seen shortage in 1000 milliliter bags, not in 500 milliliter or smaller bags. We are stocking up on the 500's	2/10/2014 1:56 PM
8	The prices are sometimes twice what I normally pay when I find product.	2/10/2014 1:33 PM
9	One supplier has instituted a significant price increase on a per case basis. Cost is astronomical and unsustainable.	2/10/2014 1:21 PM
10	monitoring as best we can; compromising when appropriate D 5 W instead of N/S, hydrations moniotried as well	2/10/2014 1:19 PM
11	our distributor has guarantee they are prioritizing clients quantities by what your history is so people can not get on the band wagon and take away from their loyal customers	2/10/2014 1:14 PM
12	No opinion on the distributor since we have not specifically been warned about a shortage so have no idea what they may or may not be doing about it.	2/10/2014 1:13 PM