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## *Cardiology Symposium 2006*

**October 21, 2006**

*Park Hyatt Philadelphia  
Philadelphia, Pennsylvania*

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Program Evaluation

**December 18, 2006**

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## **Introduction**

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In October 2006, NACE sponsored a CME program *Cardiology Symposium 2006*, in Philadelphia, PA. The conference was geared toward physicians, nurse practitioners, and physician assistants caring for patients with cardiovascular disease. The goal of the program was to provide a review of established principles of cardiovascular medicine as well as present new concepts in the advancing field of cardiovascular medicine. The program covered program covered lipid management, acute coronary syndrome, pulmonary hypertension, heart failure and controversies in drug-eluting stents.

Eleven healthcare providers attended *Cardiology Symposium 2006* in Philadelphia, PA. Each attendee was asked to complete and return a conference satisfaction and needs assessment form prior to the end of the conference. Ten completed forms were received. The data collected is displayed in this report.

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## CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

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### Saturday, October 21, 2006

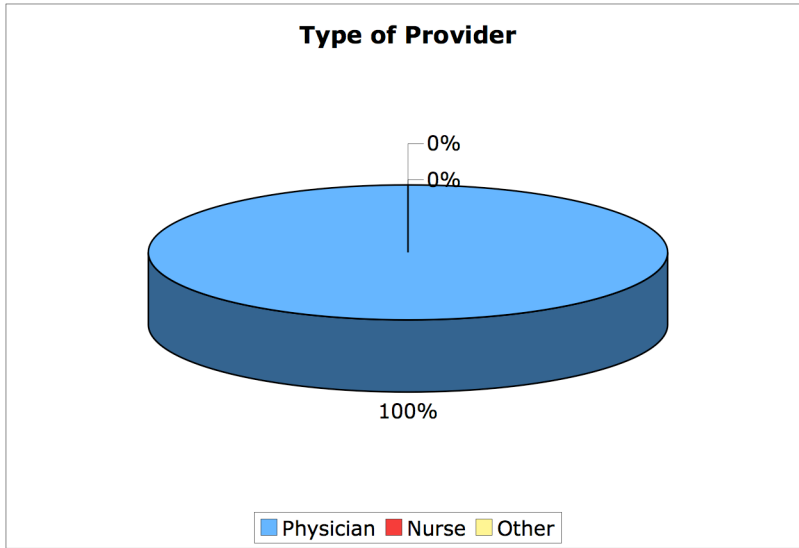
7:30-8:30	Continental Breakfast and Registration
8:30-8:45	Welcome Remarks Jose R. Soler, MD
8:45-9:45	New Insights in the Treatment of Dyslipidemia Alexandre Ferreira, MD
9:45-10:45	Diagnosis and Treatment of Anemia in Heart Failure Stuart David Katz, MD
10:45-11:10	Break
11:10-12:10	Diagnosis and Management of Pulmonary Arterial Hypertension Michael A. Mathier, MD, FACC
12:10-1:00	Lunch
1:00-2:00	Advances in PCI Harry R. Phillips, MD
2:00-3:00	Management of Acute Coronary Syndrome Harry R. Phillips, MD
3:00-3:10	Closing Remarks Jose R. Soler, MD

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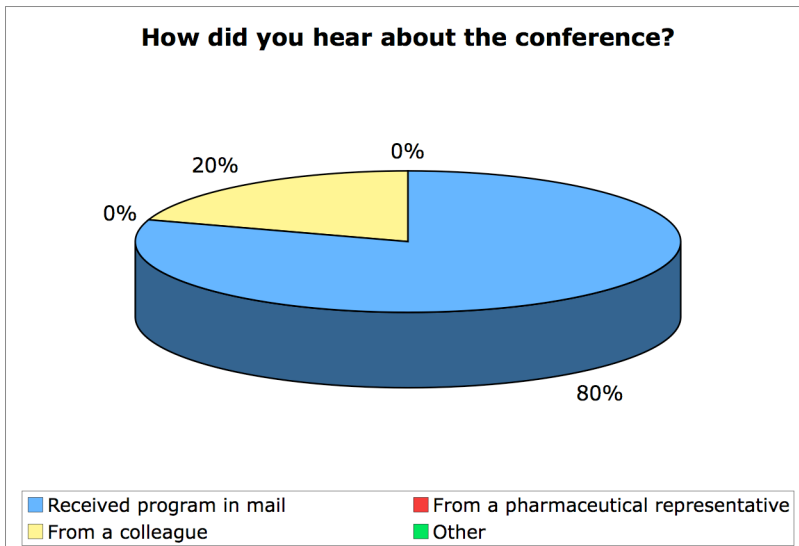
## Participant Information

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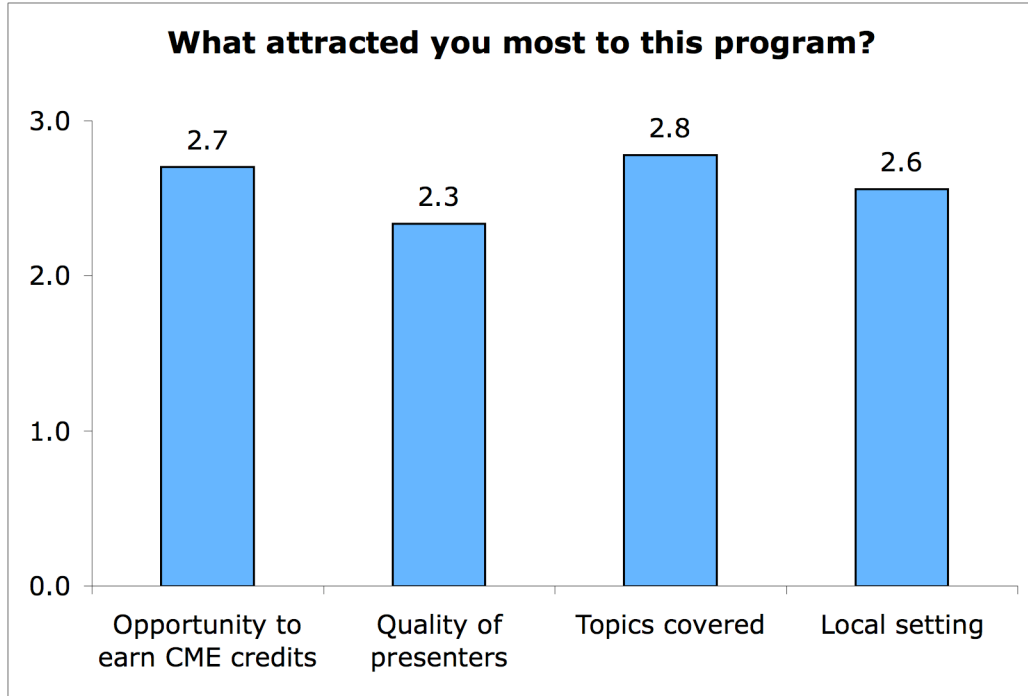
One hundred percent of attendees were physicians, specializing in family practice or internal medicine.



Eighty percent of attendees heard about the conference through the mailed program. The remainder of attendees heard about the program from a colleague (20%).



Attendees were asked to rate the importance of the aspects that attracted them to the program as “Not At All Important”, “Somewhat Important”, or “Very Important”. All aspects were rated on average as “ Very Important”, with the topics covered as the most important.

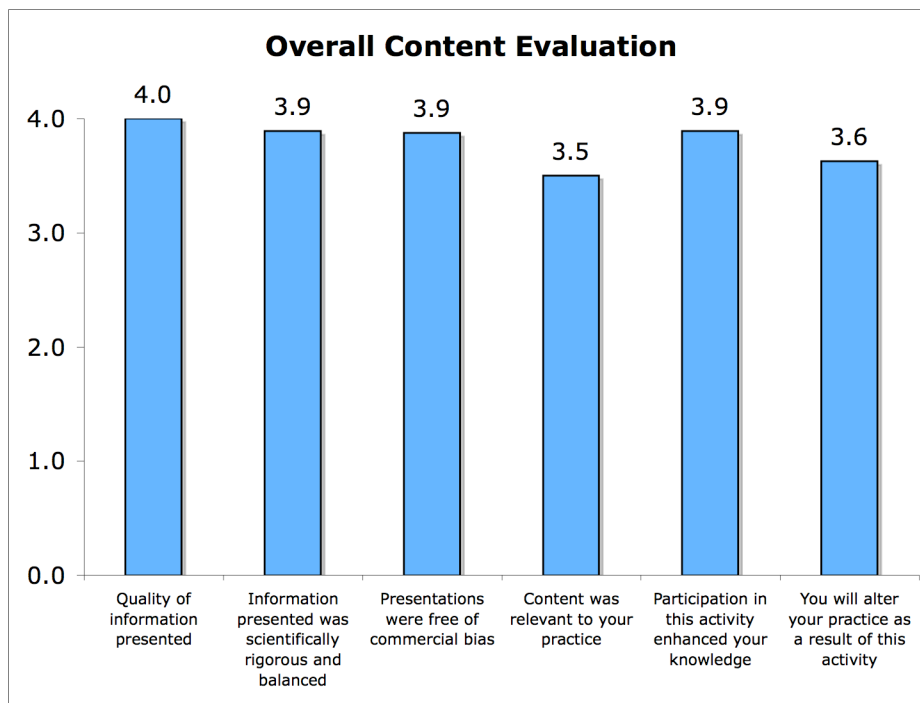
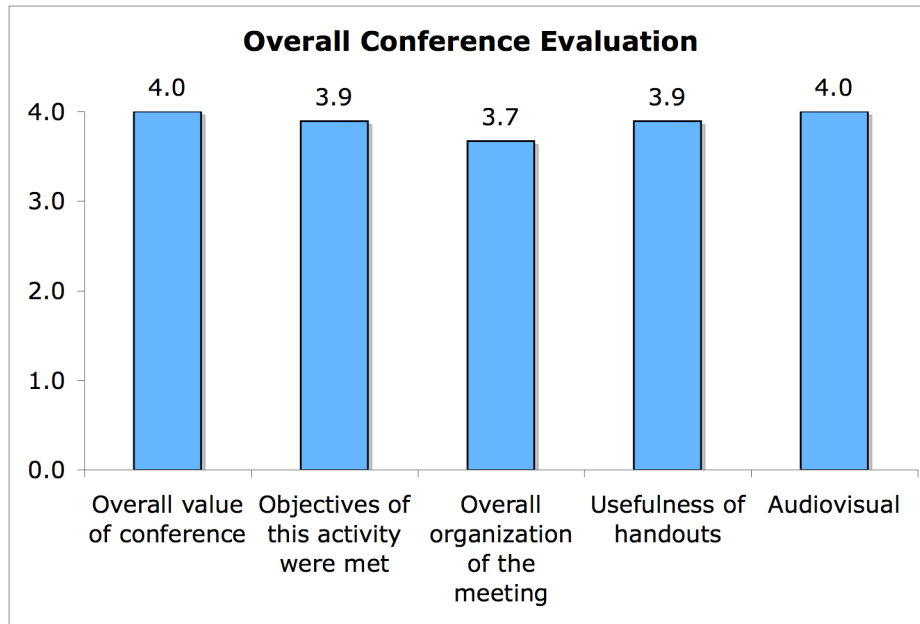


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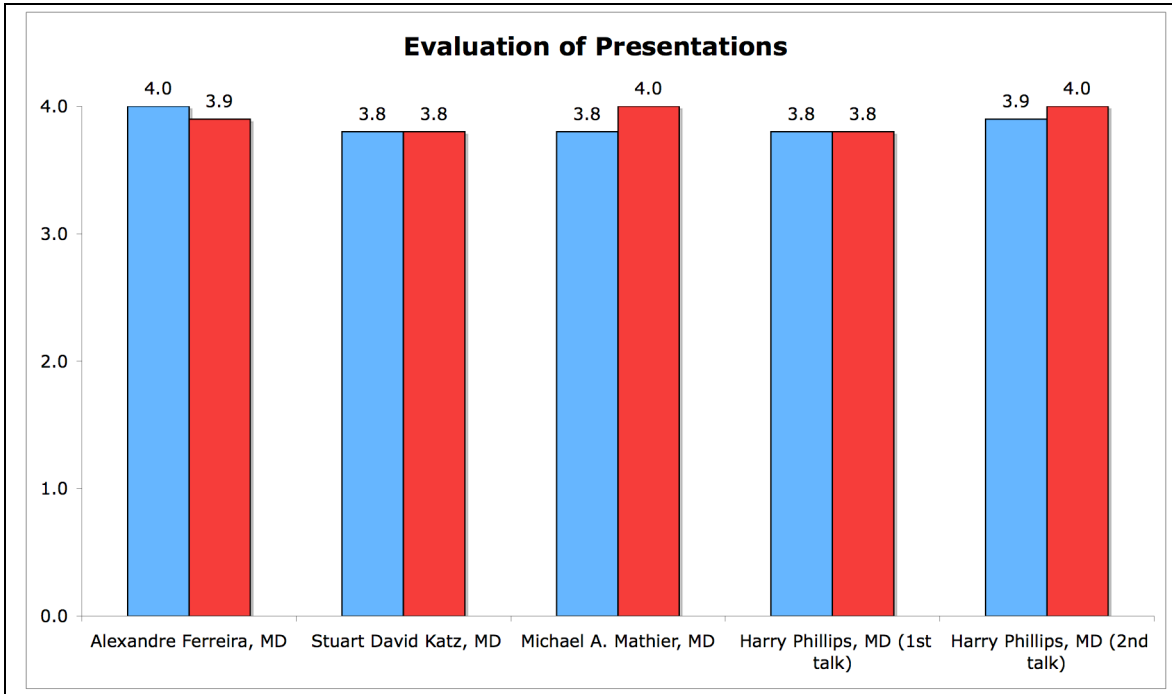
## Program Evaluation

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Attendees were asked to rate aspects of the overall conference on a four-point scale, with one being “Unsatisfactory” and four being “Excellent”. Overall, attendees rated the program as “Excellent”, with an average score of 3.8. Average scores for each aspect are displayed in the charts below.



Attendees were also asked to rate the content of each presentation and the presentation skills of each speaker on a four-point scale, with one being “Unsatisfactory” and four being “Excellent”. Average scores for each presentation and speaker are displayed in the chart below.



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## **Needs Assessment**

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Attendees were asked to complete a needs assessment survey to assist in planning future continuing education activities. Below is a list of the suggested topics.

### **What medical disorders or topics would you like to receive further information about through a continuing education activity?**

- ADHD
- Asthma
- Bipolar
- Cardiomyopathy
- Coronary heart failure (2)
- Dermatology
- Diabetes (2)
- Hypertension
- Infectious diseases
- OSA
- Pulmonary hypertension
- Thyroid disease (2)
- Urology in general practice
- Vascular disease

### **What diagnostic procedures would you like to learn more about?**

- MRI
- Office based procedures
- PET
- Pulmonary hypertension

### **What types of therapies or treatments would you wish courses to be offered about?**

- Artherosclerosis
- Dialysis

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## **Summary**

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Overall, the *Cardiology Symposium 2006* was successful. Attendees were satisfied with the topics, speakers, and overall quality of the conference.

One hundred percent of the attendees said that they would attend another conference next year in the same location.

Based on the evaluations, attendees were very pleased with the conference.