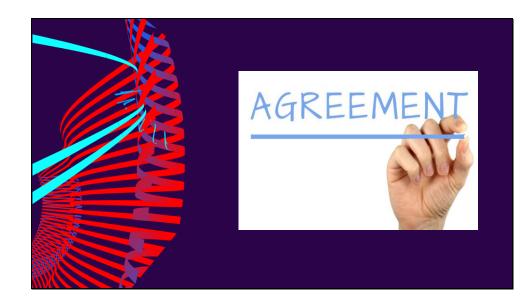
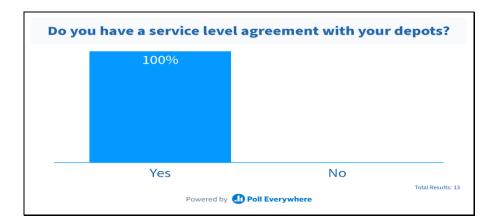
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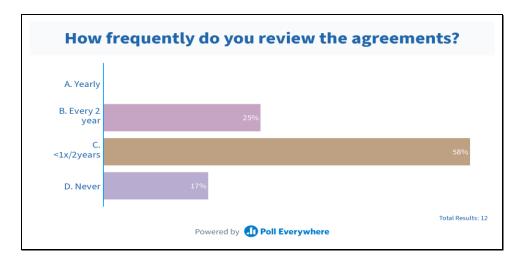


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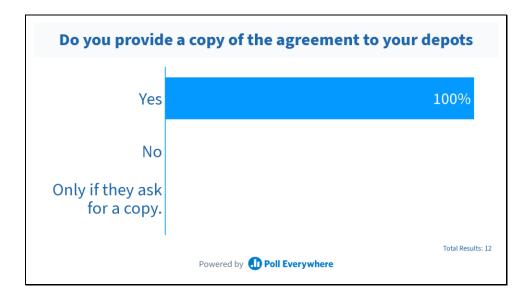


- EDQM: "These written agreements should be signed, dated and reviewed regularly (as defined by the parties concerned), but sooner if changes are required."
- JACIE: "Agreements shall be dated and reviewed on a regular basis, at a minimum every two (2) years.
- Most banks only review when a major change should be translated into the agreement.
- No uniformity in who has to sign. Try to avoid names in your agreement, rather work with addenda of the agreement to mention the responsible persons of your depot. The people who signed, must be notified about changes in the addendum. Also new signatures needed?
- It takes a lot of time to get the reviews and the signatures (very frustrating job)

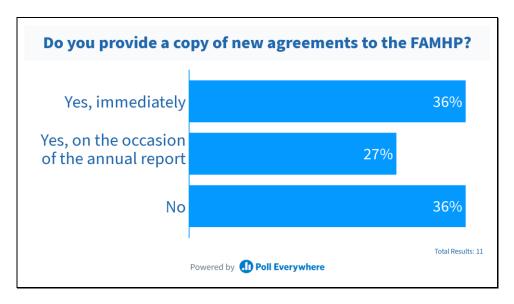
JACIE standards : *B4.6.1* Agreements shall be established with external parties providing critical services that could affect the quality and safety of the cellular therapy product or health and safety of the donor or recipient.

EDQM: To promote compliance with donor-selection criteria and procurement procedures, the TE must have written agreements with each person, clinical team or third-party procurement organization involved in carrying out procurement, as well as those collecting critical information used in donor selection

- **JACIE Standards:** *B4.6.3 Agreements shall be dated and reviewed on a regular basis, at a minimum every two (2) years.*
- **EDQM:** Agreements should be dated, reviewed and renewed on a regular basis

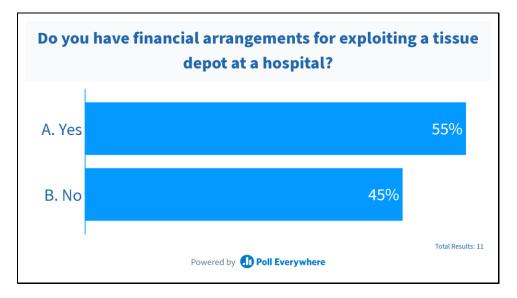


- Digital copy versus original copy? The original copy is always the best, in case of issues.
- One TE keeps a centralized digital copy (all procedures are centralized as well)

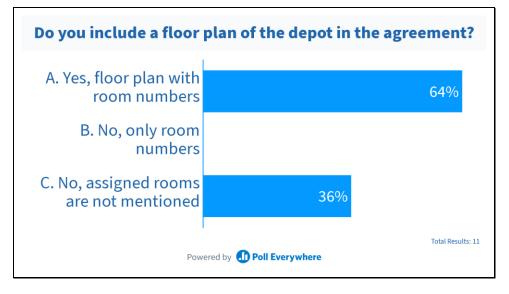


- FAMHP: This is not a change that requires mandatory reporting according to circular 551 (FAMHP), it is "desirable" that this is reported.
- Some banks send this with a yearly review of the SMF (with annual report), it is actually requested in the list of attachments of your site master file (provide a copy of each new agreement if not provided yet)



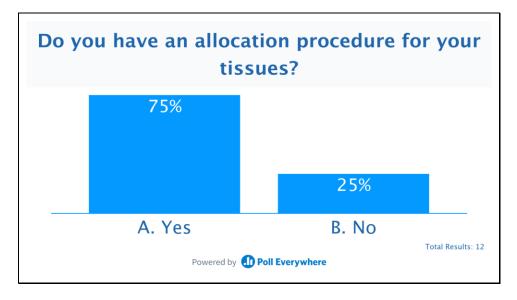


- There was confusion about this question. The depot activities are not charged by the TE. It's a favor for hospitals that also collect tissues for the TE.
- Financial agreements are made between the TE and the collection centers of femoral heads where the collection center receives an amount that varies from 0 € to 40€, 100€ and half of riziv/inami price. Some TEs only pay if everything was OK, including documentation. Other TEs only pay at the moment the tissue is transplanted. Other TEs wait for an invoice of the orthopedic surgeons. Some TEs only start paying after a minimum amount of prelevations is reached. Depending on the TE, the prices are premised for a collection as such, for a collection + complete file (questionnaire, sample, informed consent), for released femoral heads.
- It should be good to have an INAMI code for the prelevation itself, apart from the other steps in the tissue process.

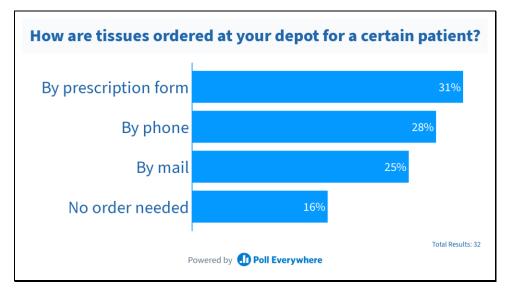


- A floor plan of the depot should be available.



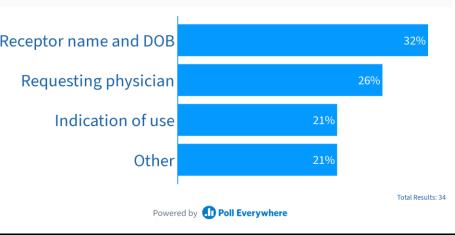


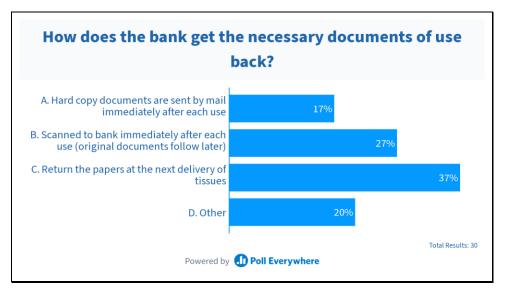
- An allocation procedure has to describe what you do in case of shortage of tissues. For cornea for
 instance. Which hospital > which patient will receive your last cornea tissue? One idea is that you
 stop replenishing your depots if your stock in the bank is too low. At that moment the TE manager is
 deciding about each use of the tissues.
- For musculoskeletal tissues, it seems only useful for specific types of bone / tendon with specific dimensions. There seems to be consensus about the fact that it makes no sense to have a strict allocation => the idea is not useful for musculoskeletal tissue.
- Certain banks use an allocation procedure, describing the following general guidelines:
 - A graft should be used at the site of the depot
 - A graft should be used by a physician
 - A graft should be used based on an approved indication (if not, approval needed by the TE manager)



- Fax can also be used in some TEs.



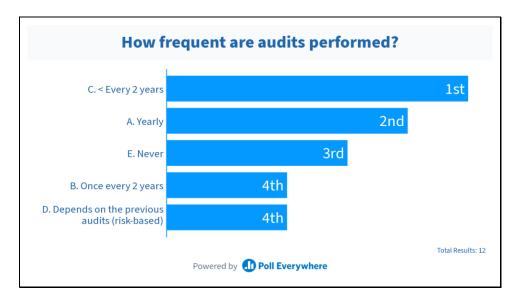




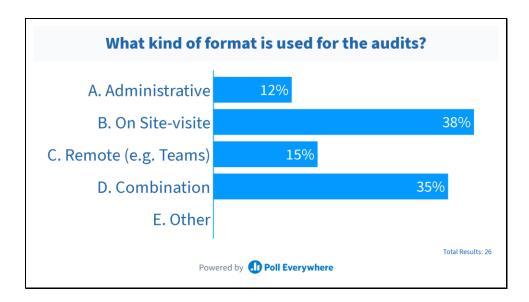
- One TE uses the cloud to share information (e.g. for medical release reports, register, log book, data T-monitoring, ...). Each depot has to upload the documents of use (no notification of upload to the TE). The hard copies are sent by post.
- One TE receives the paperwork at the moment of replenishment of the depot.
- A lot of reminders are being sent in order to receive all documentation. It's not easy for the TE _ employees to keep an overview.



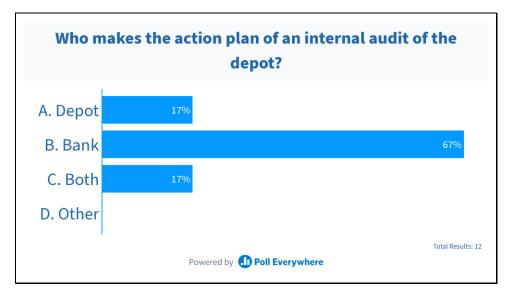




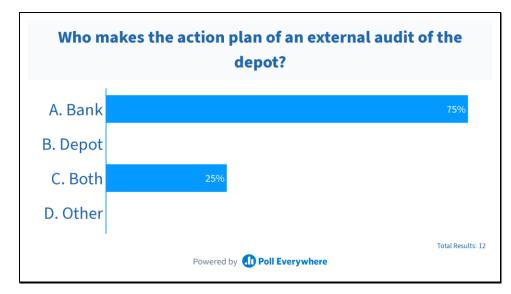
- Audits must be done on a regular basis.
- Suggestion: One can perform a risk assessment in order to determine the frequency, e.g. depending on the amount of grafts, only lyophilized grafts, non-conformities, compliance on previous audits.
 Document this assessment.



- Teams audits concern administrative, intermediate audits and can be used to alternate with on-site visits.
- One TE only performs an on-site visit when the remote audits are not OK. Other TEs yearly organize an on-site visit.
- In case of "badly" organized depots, the TE manager leads the audit. For the "good" depots, the quality manager can do this job.
- One TE really stopped the activities of a depot until all non-conformities are addressed. The problem is that these hospital also provide tissues to your TE...

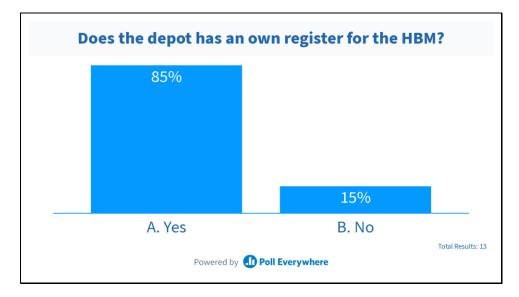


 The answers to this question were interpreted differently. In general, the bank writes an audit report and defines guidelines/restrictions/actions within the report. However, the depot can propose/define how the actions are addressed, the bank needs to agree.



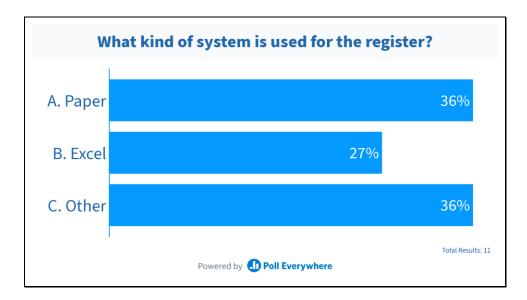
- 6 months seems to be a realistic and feasible deadline for the depots to perform actions. Remark: This also depends on the nature of the non-conformity (e.g. change the policy of your hospital versus small remark about a document)
- Suggestion for follow up: Perform a follow up via the documentation management system by setting a deadline every 2 months.
- Suggestion: immediately implement the preventive measures in all your depots. The FAMHP will request the same things in all depots.



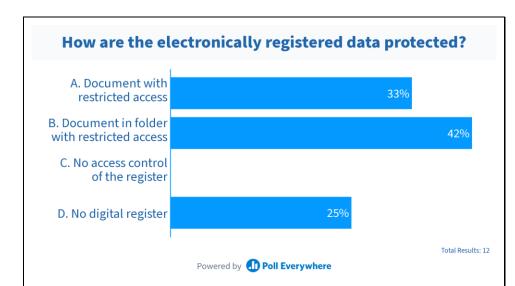


The discussion shows that most depots have a file with the following data: Reference number of graft, date + time + person receipt, date + time + person delivery, recipient data. This file is called either "register" (but does not contain the full line as defined in the legislation) or "log book". Most TEs keep a "Master register" at the bank which complies to the law, not at the depots (rather used to manage and crosscheck the inventory and traceability)

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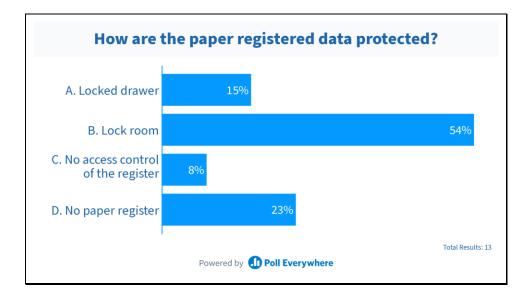


- One TE has a centralized register in the cloud where the depot personnel can register everything.

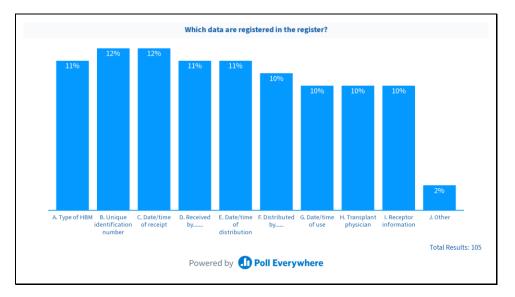


- For most depots, the general guidelines of the IT-department of the hospital are followed to obtain restricted access for the personnel of the depot: A protected file or folder is used. Is some cases, there is only the controlled general access of the hospital (personal login).
- No checks have been performed to verify whether or not unallowed access occurred.



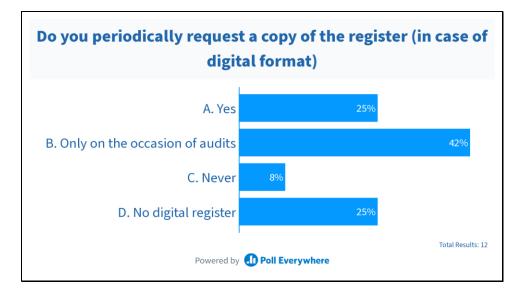


- Some TEs use different levels of protection.

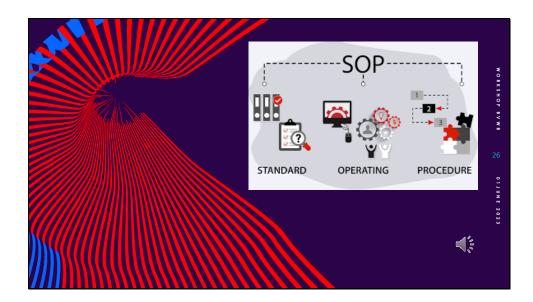


These data are laid down by law and should be registered.

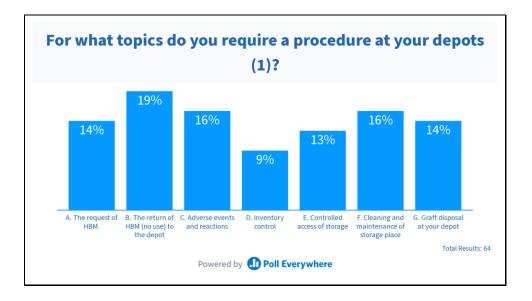
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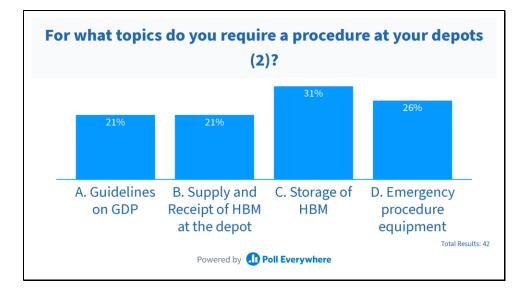


- Some TEs ask for a copy on monthly basis (this because of poor inventory management of some depots).

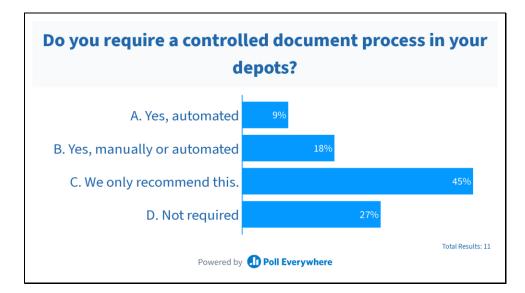




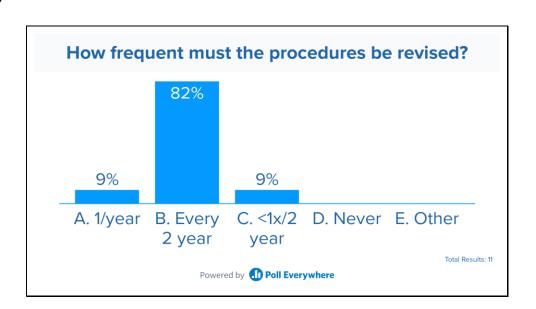




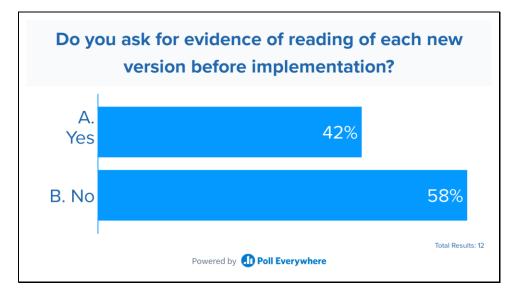
- These procedures are laid down by law and should be addressed for your depots (either in one procedure, several procedures)



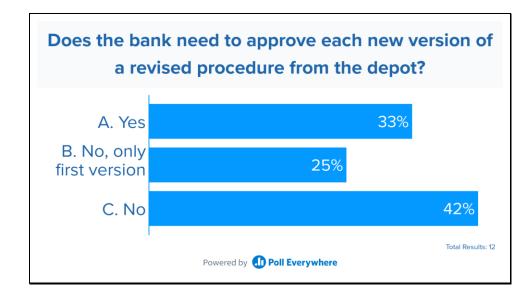
- It is difficult (not possible) to enforce this in other hospitals, even though we are convinced that it has added value.



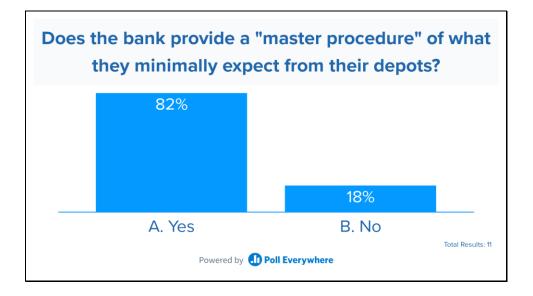
- Depending on the type of accreditation, there are different frequencies, e.g. JACIE requires a review every 2 years. Belgian law requires a "regular" review.



- The reading tasks can be followed up, e.g. a monthly overview can be obtained and verified.
- Other methods are used: An update of new versions of procedures are sent via email and/or are discussed in general meeting + report for evidence.





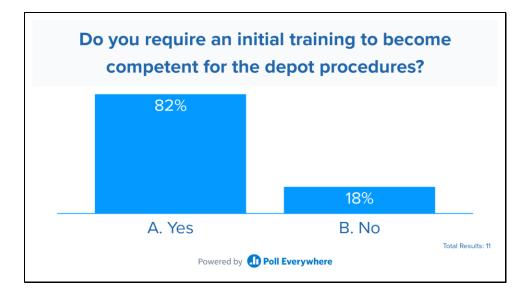




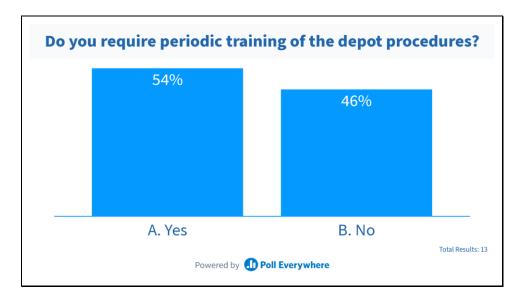


- A competency list is mandatory => See also discussion slide 38.

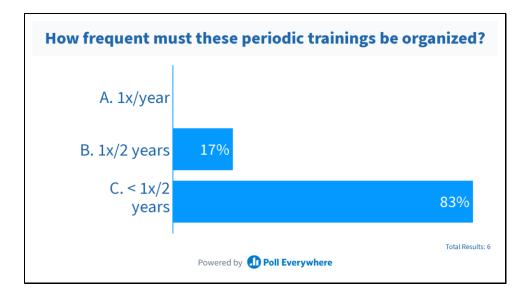
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- The suggestion was made to add to the service level agreements that the responsible person of the depot is responsible for the training of the personnel and the competency list.



- In some depots, procedural changes are discussed in a general meeting + report.



Relevant parts of the regulation are shown underneath:

AGENCE FEDERALE DES MEDICAMENTS ET DES PRODUITS DE SANTE

F. 2009 — 3602

[C - 2009/18414]

28 SEPTEMBRE 2009. — Arrêté royal fixant les normes de qualité et de sécurité pour le don, le prélèvement, l'obtention, le contrôle, le traitement, le stockage et la distribution de matériel corporel humain, auxquelles les banques de matériel corporel humain, les structures intermédiaires de matériel corporel humain, les établissements de production doivent répondre

Section 3. — Personnel

Art. 5. Le personnel qui intervient directement dans le prélèvement, l'obtention, le traitement, la conservation, le stockage et la distribution de matériel corporel humain dans ou sous la responsabilité d'un établissement, doit posséder les qualifications nécessaires et doit recevoir à cet effet la formation nécessaire.

B. Personnel

 Le personnel des établissements doit être disponible en nombre suffisant et être qualifié pour les tâches à effectuer. La compétence du personnel doit être évaluée à des intervalles appropriés, précisés dans e système de qualité. het kwaliteitssysteem, geëvalueerd. 2. Il doit exister des descriptions de poste claires, documentées et actualisées pour tous les membres du personnel. Leurs tâches, leurs fonctions et leur responsabilité doivent être clairement documentées et bien comprises. 3. Le personnel doit bénéficier d'une formation de base et d'une 3. Het personeel krijgt een basisopleiding, de nodige bijscholing bij formation de mise à jour lorsqu'une modification des procédures ou une évolution des connaissances scientifiques l'exige, et se voir offrir des propositions appropriées de perfectionnement professionnel dans le domaine considéré. Le programme de formation assure et prouve par des documents que chaque individu : dat elk individu : a) a apporté la preuve de sa compétence dans l'exécution des tâches qui lui sont assignées; zijn aangewezen taken;

b) possède une connaissance et une compréhension adéquates des principes et/ou des processus scientifiques et/ou techniques qui sont importants pour les tâches qui lui incombent;

c) comprend le cadre organisationnel, le système de qualité et les règles de santé et de sécurité de l'établissement dans lequel il travaille;

d) est dûment informé du contexte éthique, juridique et réglementaire plus large dans lequel son travail s'inscrit.

FEDERAAL AGENTSCHAP VOOR GENEESMIDDELEN EN GEZONDHEIDSPRODUCTEN

[C - 2009/18414]

N. 2009 — 3602

28 SEPTEMBER 2009. — Koninklijk besluit tot vaststelling van de kwaliteits- en veiligheidsnormen voor het doneren, wegnemen, verkrijgen, testen, bewerken, bewaren en distribueren van menselijk lichaamsmateriaal, waaraan de banken voor menselijk lichaamsmateriaal, de intermédiaire structuren voor menselijk lichaamsmateriaal en de productie-instellingen moeten voldoen

Afdeling 3. - Personeel.

Art. 5. Het personeel dat rechtstreeks betrokken is bij het wegne-men, verkrijgen, bewerken, preserveren, bewaren en distribueren van menselijk lichaamsmateriaal in of onder verantwoordelijkheid van een instelling, dient over de nodige vakbekwaamheid te beschikken en hiervoor de nodige **opleiding** te krijgen.

B. Personeel

1. Instellingen beschikken over voldoende personeel dat gekwalifi-ceerd is voor de taken die het uitvoert. De bekwaamheid van het personeel wordt met passende tussenpozen, die zijn gespecificeerd in

2. Alle personeelsleden hebben een duidelijke, gedocumenteerde en actuele functieomschrijving. Hun taken, verantwoordelijkheden en verantwoordingsplicht zijn duidelijk gedocumenteerd en begrepen.

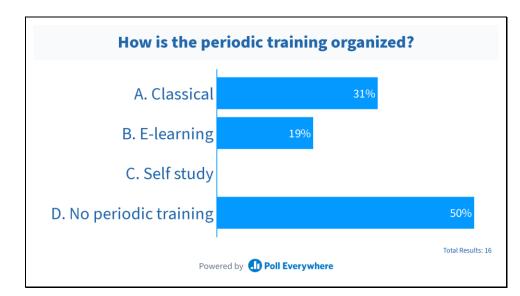
verandering van de procedures of ontwikkeling van de wetenschappe-lijke kennis en geschikte mogelijkheden voor verdere relevante beroeps-ontwikkeling. Het opleidingsprogramma waarborgt en documenteert

a) over aantoonbare bekwaamheid beschikt voor het uitvoeren van

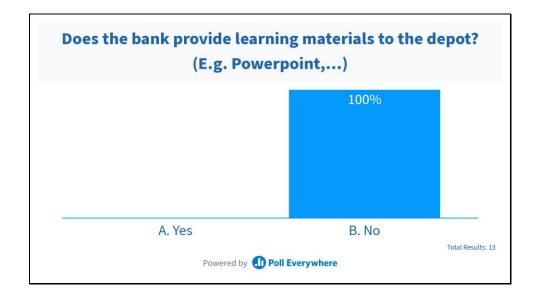
b) beschikt over voldoende kennis van en inzicht in de wetenschappelijke en/of technische processen en principes die van belang zijn voor zijn aangewezen taken;

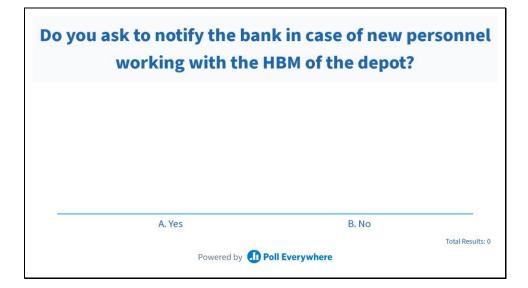
c) inzicht heeft in het organisatorische kader, het kwaliteitssysteem en de gezondheids- en veiligheidsvoorschriften van de instelling waar het werkzaam is:

d) voldoende geïnformeerd is over de ruimere ethische, juridische en wettelijke context van zijn werkzaamheden.

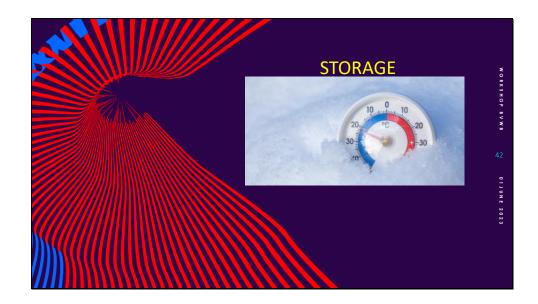


- Some TEs started with elearnings. This can save time and money. Easier for the depots and the TEs. Always the same information is given during the training.
- But elearning also takes a lot of time to develop. And also to follow-up (who has done the e-learning, who failed, who was passed the test,...). This is only feasible if the hopitals has an e-learning platform (not always accessible for external persons=depot personnel)

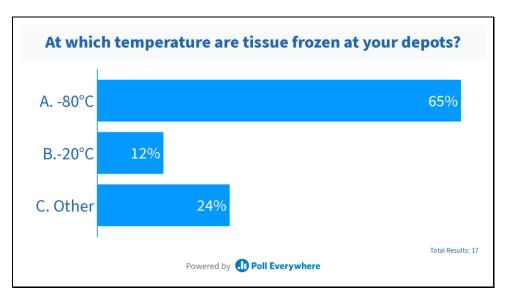




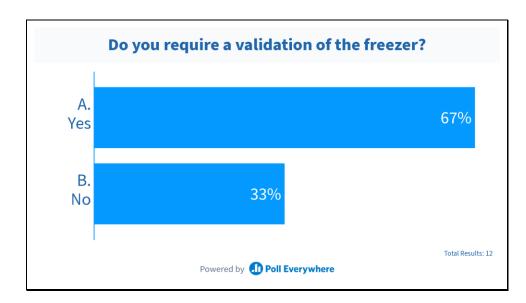
- No. Comes up during audits. Only a change in the responsibles shall be notified.





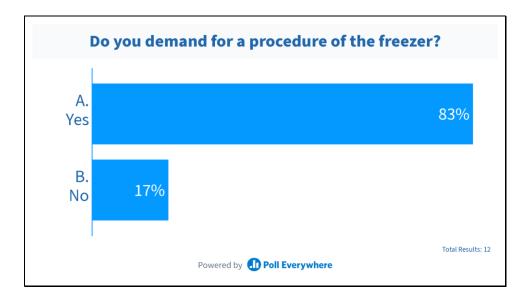


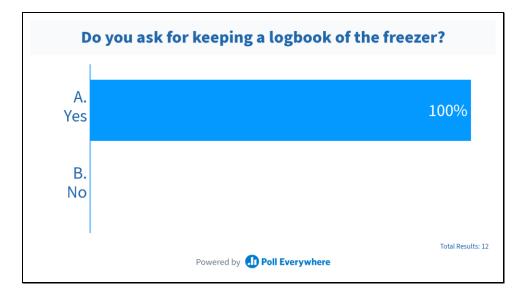
- Remark for -20°C => this was selected for those cases where collected femoral heads can be stored at
 -20°C degrees during max. 1 month before those grafts will be lyophilized.
- Other: e.g. formaldehyde



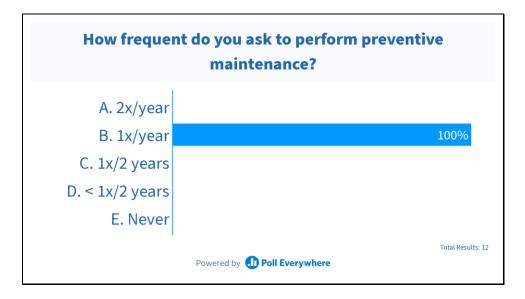
- In those TEs where a validation is required, only an IQ/OQ is used. No mappings are performed.
- Yes for new freezers. Old ones are validated by "historical use without problems".





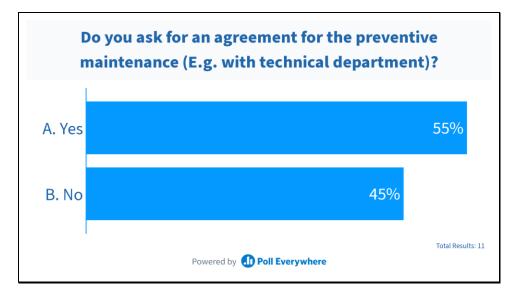






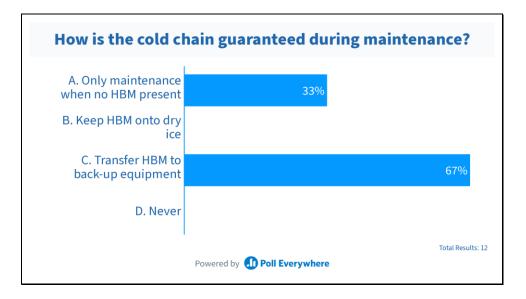
- No uniformity about what is understood under "manintenance". Some defrost freezer, some only remove ice, some only clean the fans,...

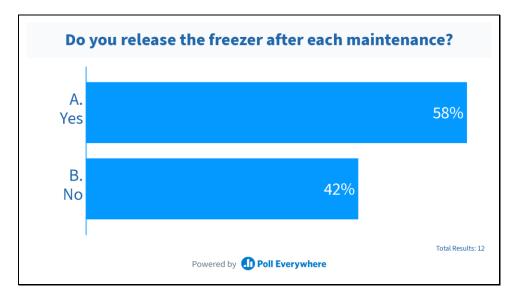




- During audits, most TEs ask for an agreement; however, this agreement is rather recommended than mandatory? (storage however is a critical step...). The yearly maintenance on the other hand is mandatory.

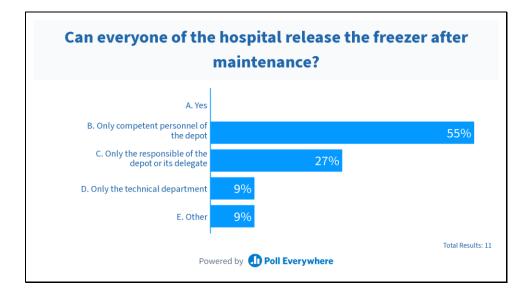


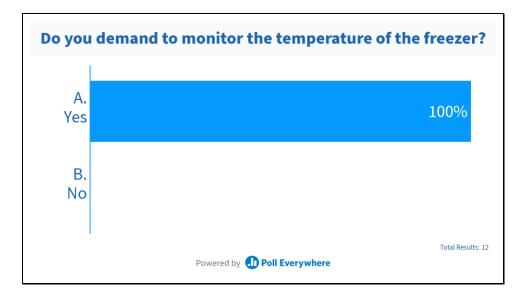


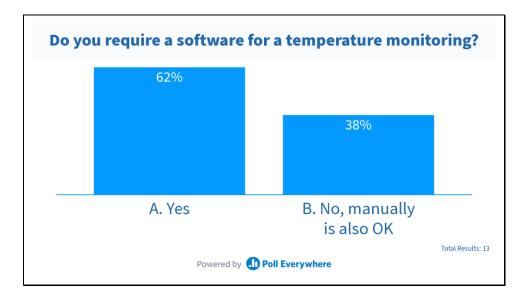


- Several TEs got a remark from the FAGG inspectors to release the freezer after maintenance. They refer to the KB Quality addendum VII C3. Thus, Yes, we shall do a release of the freezer.



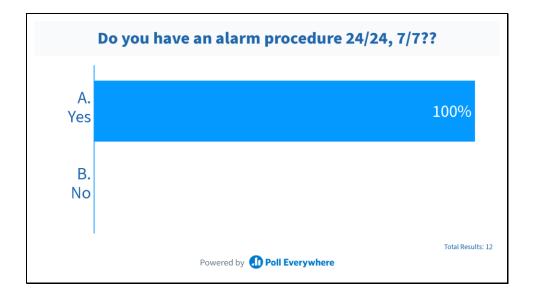




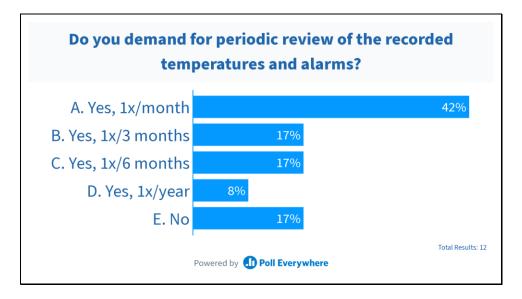


- Is difficult to enforce this in other hospitals. But most TEs recommend it.



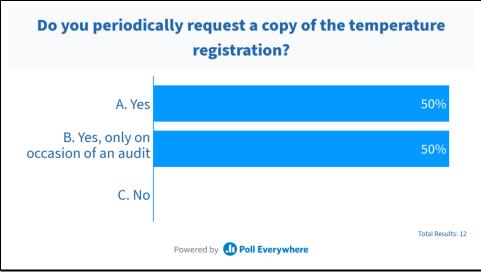




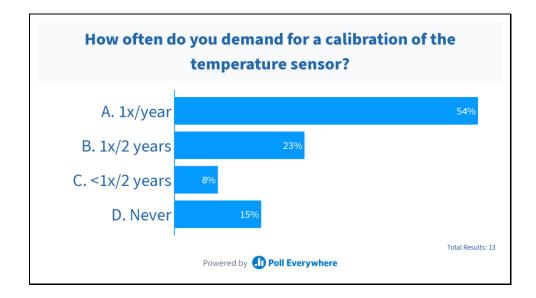


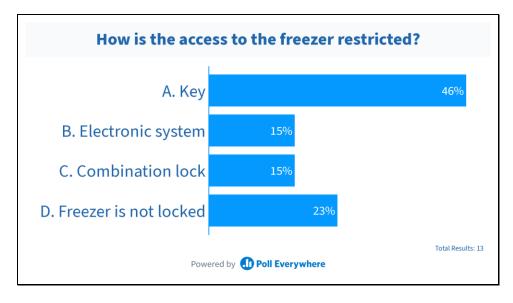
- If the alarm immediately goes to personnel of the TE, a periodic review is not necessary. If a central system of the hospital is used (e.g. technical department) a review is a good practice to check adequate response.

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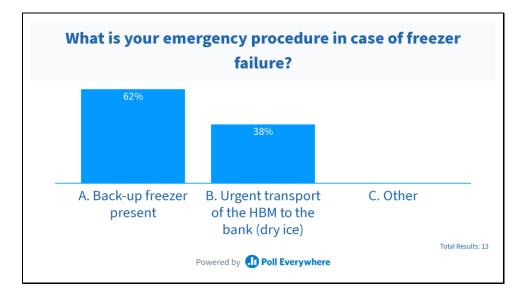
- Some TEs request these data every 6 months, other every month, other only during audits

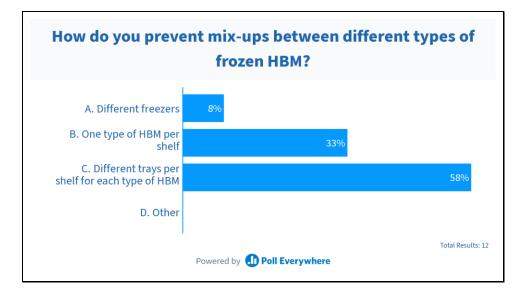




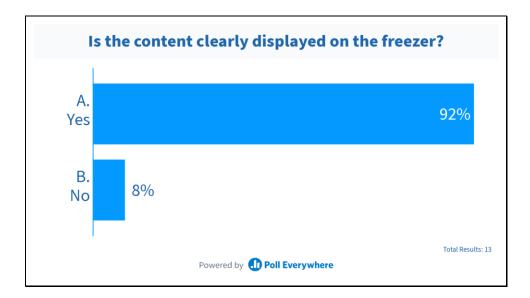
- Some TE's got a remark during a FAGG inspection that a key box with code should be present while in other cases the restricted access via badge control is sufficient. It is questioned how we should control access => advice from SHC?



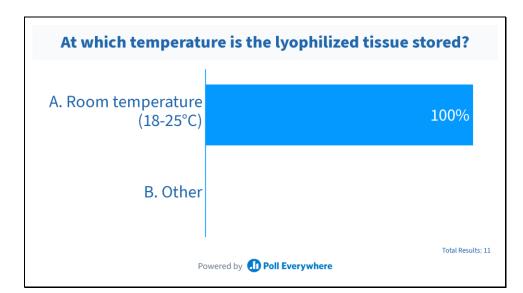




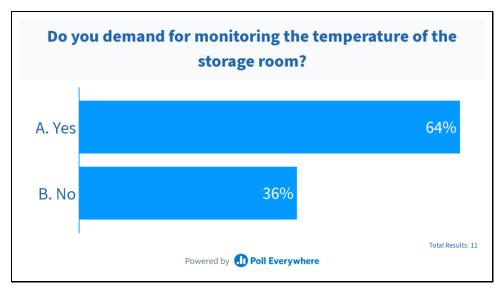








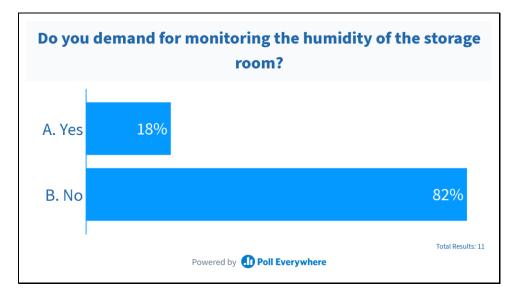
- According to some members, the lower criterium is not necessary. No problem to store below 18°C.



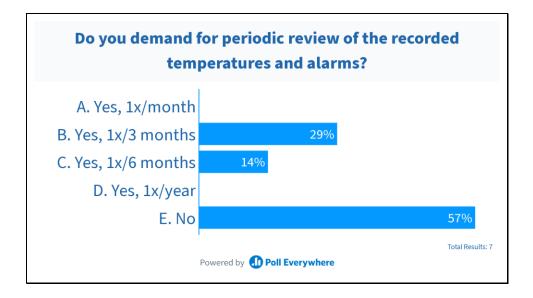
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- There are no data available indicating that the temperature could have an impact on the quality of the grafts.
- A publication exists stating that no modifications of the bone structure occur below 47°C. Based on a risk assessment, the possible impact of the ambient temperature on lyophilized tissue can be evaluated. Furthermore, advice could be asked to the SHC?

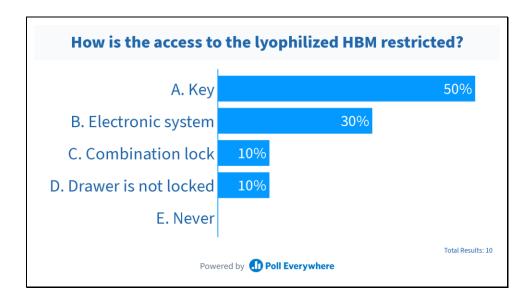




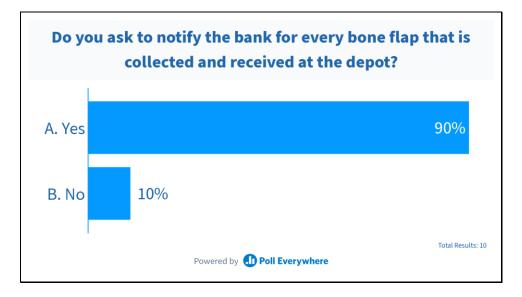
- The packages are sealed => humidity cannot have any impact / a risk assessment can be performed.



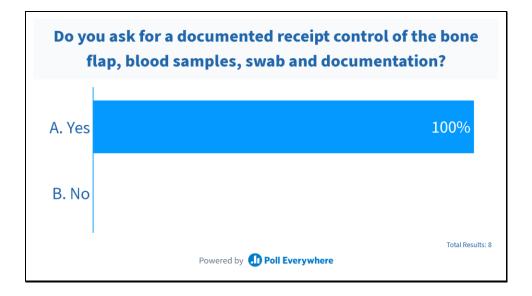




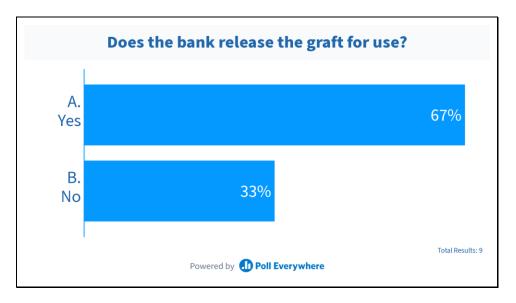




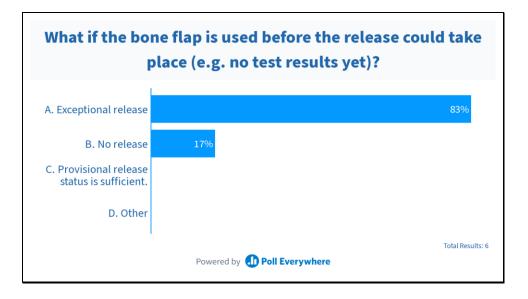
- Some TEs bring the bone flaps to the TE. Other TEs have agreements with the collection centre to store them locally (practical reasons: transplantation is sometimes faster than the transport).

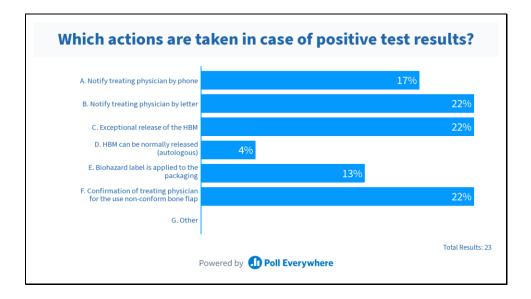






- One TE only stores the tissue for the neurosurgeon and does not take care of the serological results and release. According to law, it is a task for the TE?

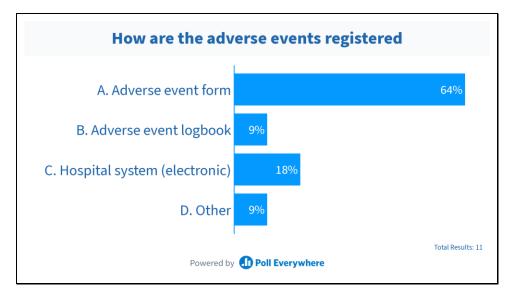




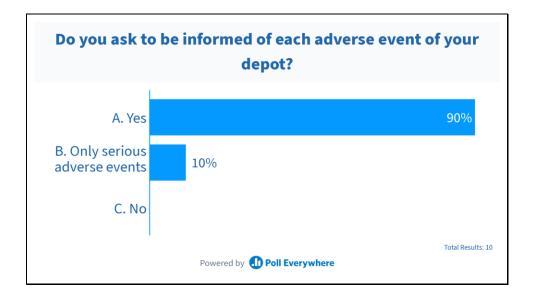


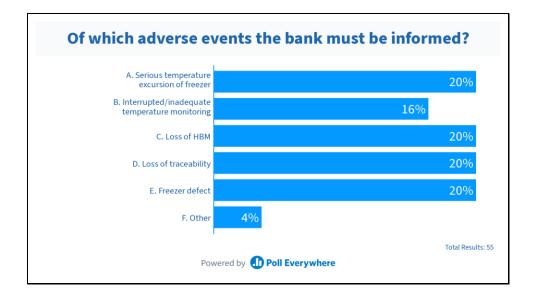






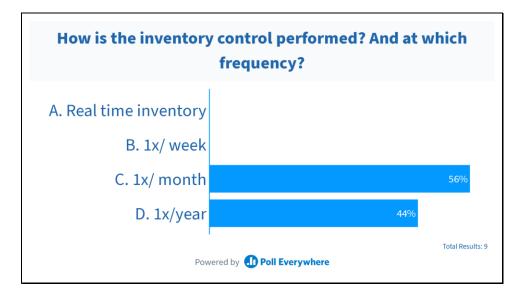
- Some depots have an adverse event/reaction log book or use non-conformity forms; others use the general electronic system of the hospital.







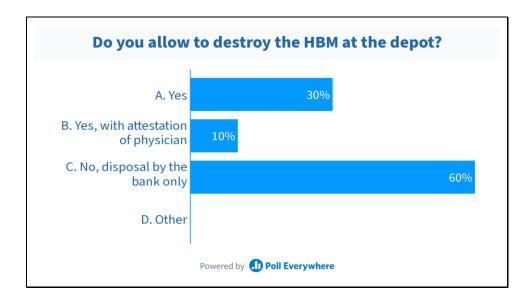


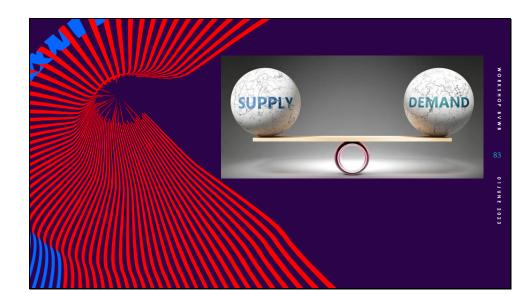




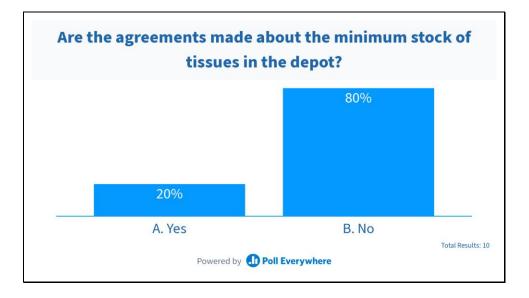
- Criteria:
- Less than 10 minutes out of the freezer (validation required) or use indicator to see if temperature was above -20°C and for how long (€)
- Packaging still sealed, documentation available

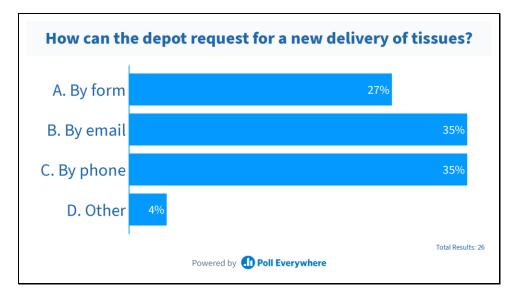
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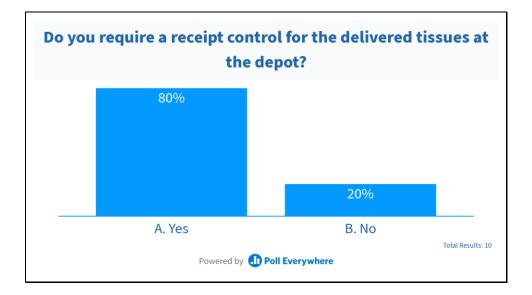


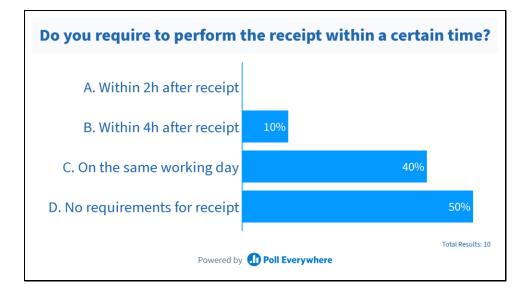


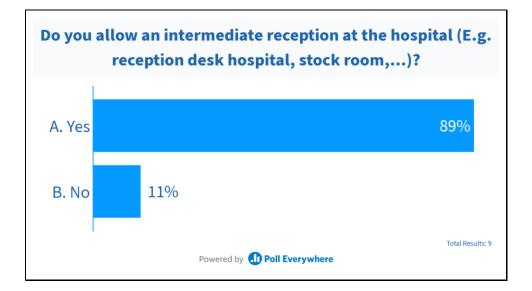


- Suggestion to use fixed delivery dates (genre "bofrost") => this optimizes the organization.

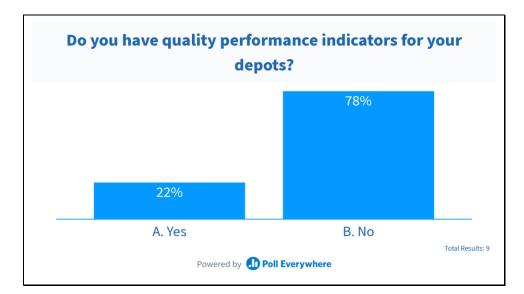






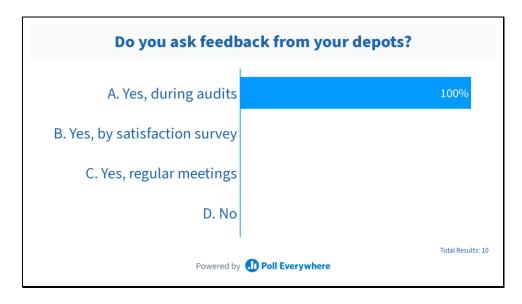






Some examples of common QPIs were given: % discarded collected tissues / year / hospital; %
 microbiological positive results / year / hospital; number of discrepancies in inventory, number of non-conformances,...

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Remark: There is no clear follow up of the outcome for musculoskeletal tissues. However, the relevance is questioned for those cases where it concerns the replacement of a tissue by a graft.



