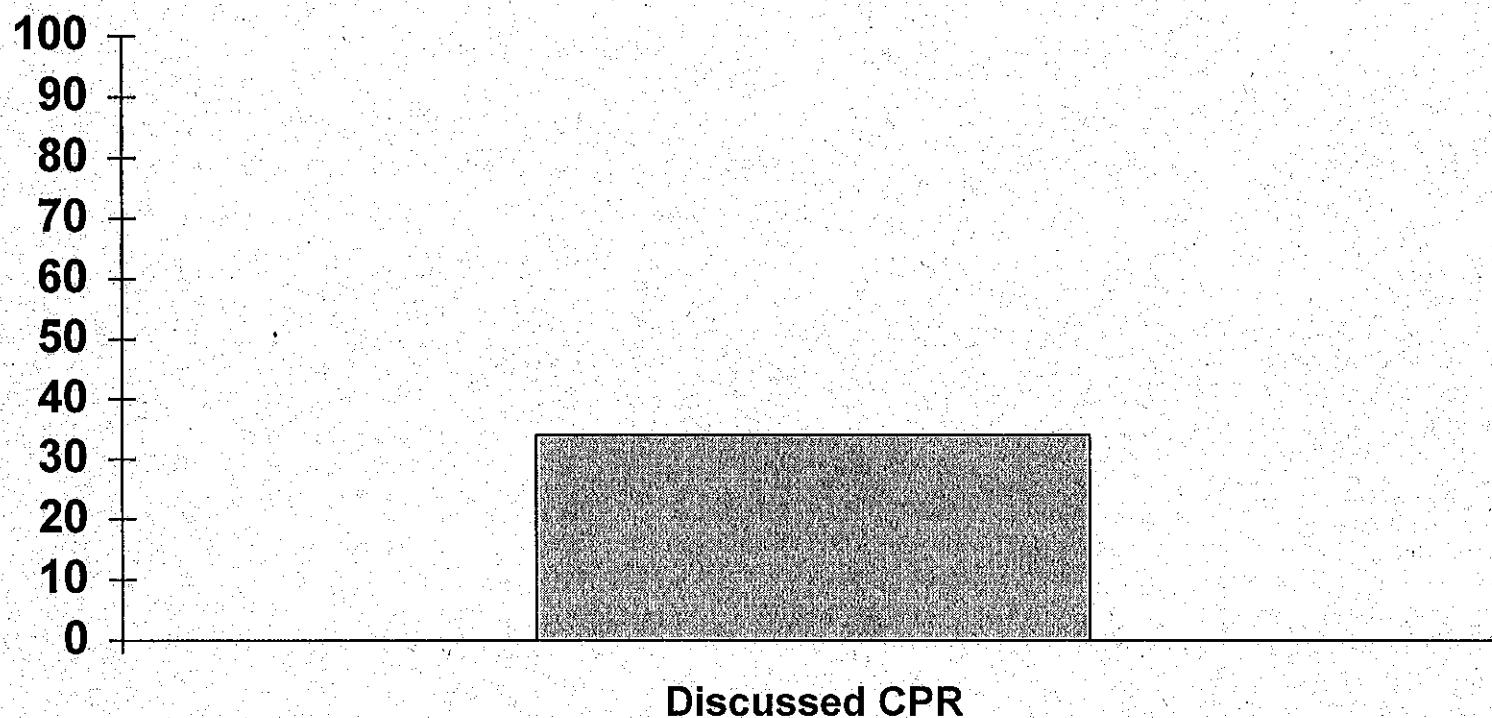

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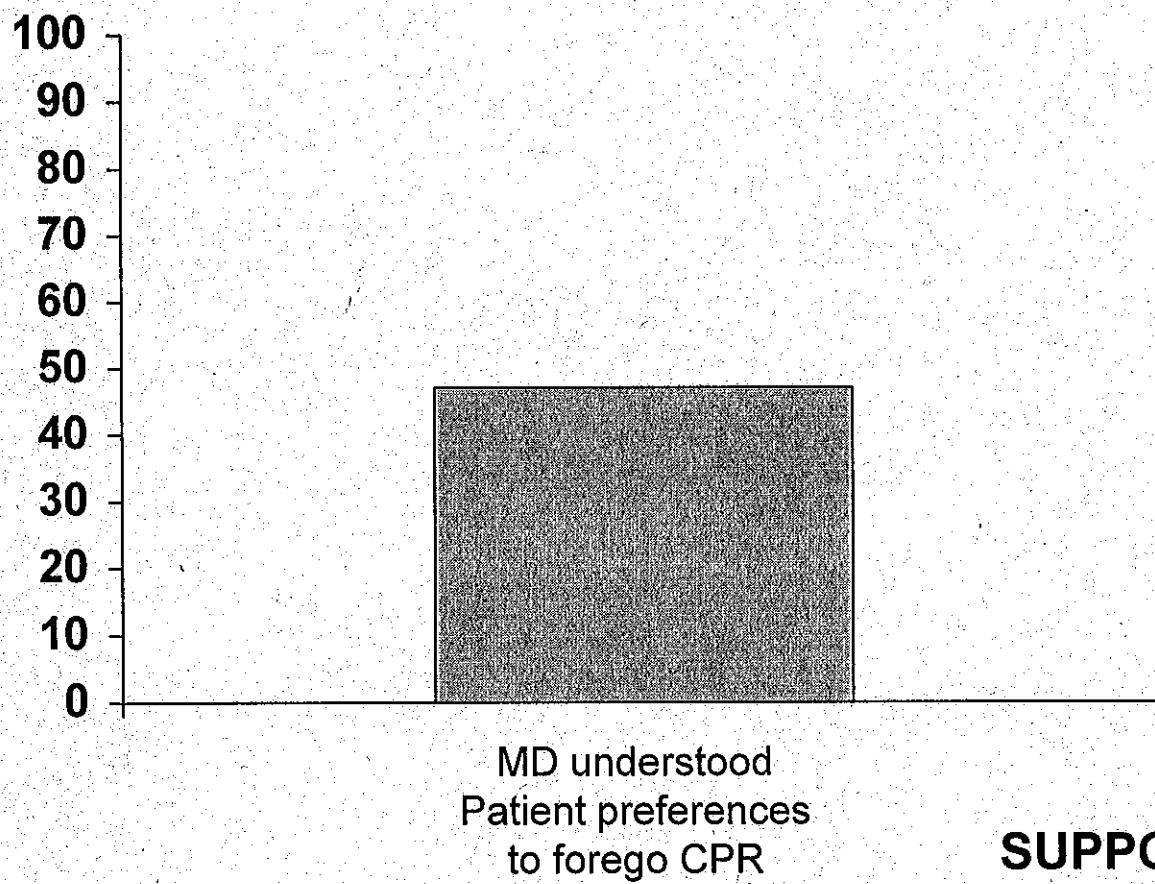
	N = 9,105
Age (median, years)	65
Gender (% female)	44
Race (% black)	15
Mortality, First Admission (%)	26
Six month mortality (%)	47

Description of decision making



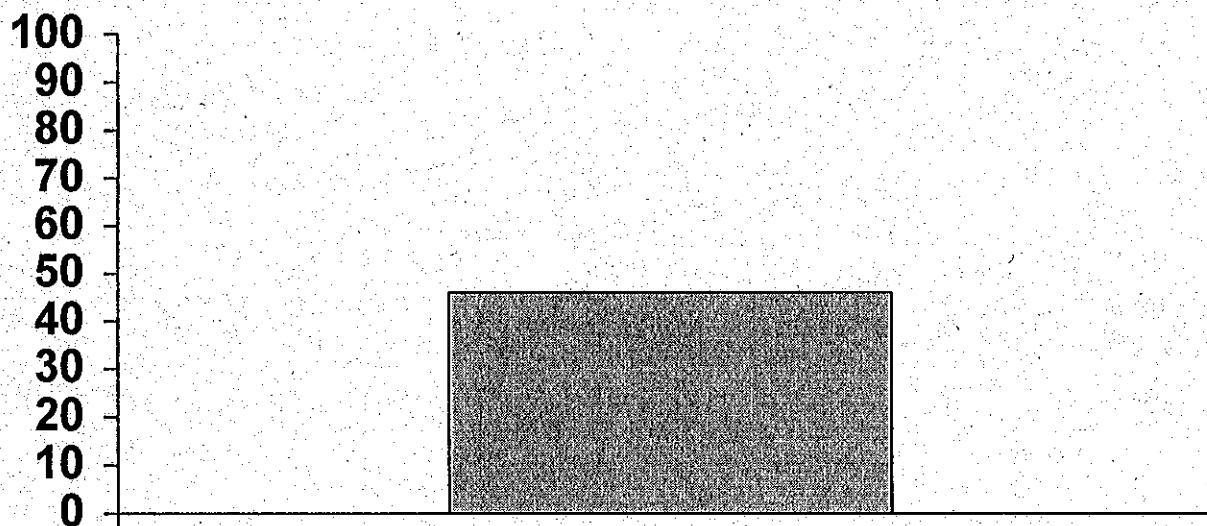
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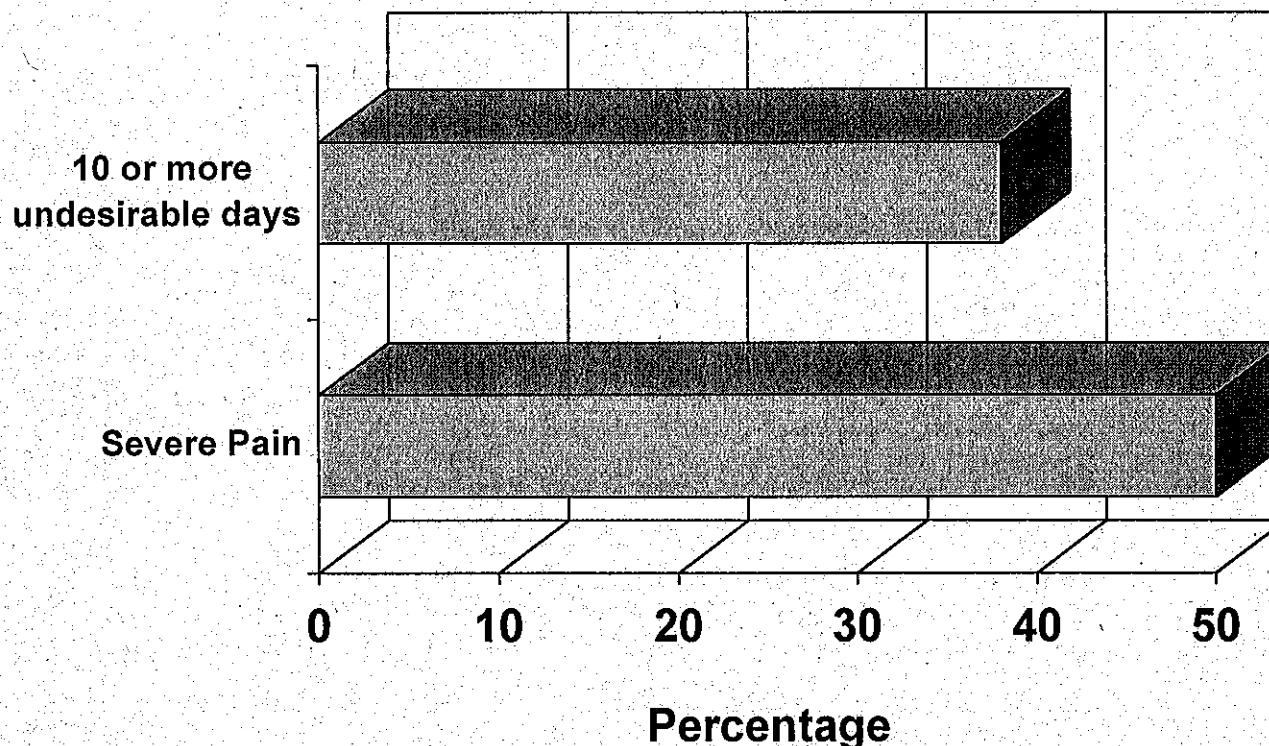
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Description of decision making



**DNR not
until 2 days
of death**

Description of Dying



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Intervention

- Patient specific Information on
 - » Prognoses (survival over next six months)
 - » Preferences and understanding
- Feedback on Institution performance
- Nurse to facilitate communication

Intervention Impact

- Phase II intervention did not
 - » enhance communication
 - » improve physician understanding of preference to forgo CPR
 - » result in earlier timing of DNR orders
 - » reduce time spent in undesirable states prior to dying
 - » ameliorate pain