Feedback conversations in a group setting:

Physicians' experiences with guided reflection on their professional

performance in the context of CPD



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Multisource feedback... and revalidation





Physician revalidation





From feedback to performance improvement







Feedback conversations







Aim of our study







Research questions

RQ 1. How do physicians experience *participation* in group sessions following their receipt of a personal feedback report?

> process

RQ 2. How do they perceive the *impact* of these sessions on their learning and development? > **outcomes**





Methods

Sample

• Purposive sample

Data collection

• Within 2 weeks after session: interview (50 min)

Data analysis

Constructivist grounded theory approach





Results - participants



26 physicians

15 male/11 female





13 physician groups

- Orthopedics
- Gynaecology
 Geriatrics
- Rheumatology Anesthesiology
- Pediatrics
- Lung diseases

Emergency med

• Internal med • Rehabilitation

5 hospitals

Non-academic setting





Results – RQ 1 (process)







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Self-disclosure

"My colleagues are all very strong personalities.. I **secretly** enjoyed seeing them **vulnerable**"

"Because the **others** talked about their struggles, I felt **encouraged** addressing certain topics too"

Engagement





Results – RQ 1 (process)

Group contextual factors

"We are all **young emergency doctors**.. it would be nice if there were some older, **more experienced doctors** in our group, to provide us with some **overview** and offer us some **reassurance**".

"My colleagues shared very **personal things**.. I felt like it was **expected** of me too **share something too**. I didn't feel comfortable because I didn't intend to do that..

Personal factors





Results –

RQ 2 (outcomes)







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Daily practice – content aspects

"After this session I can better explain why I do things the way I do them, especially when it comes to **supervision of residents**."

Organization and strategy – political aspects

"I'd like to rotate more and see other patients than only the 7-year old girls with abdominal aches."

Work engagement and wellbeing – emotional aspects

"I felt **genuine interest, concern and empathy**. Working with a group of colleagues you feel **safe** with.. that makes up for three quarter of your **job satisfaction**."





Results – RQ 1+2 (process + outcomes)

We are **not** going to completely **honest** with each other.. We need to continue **working together**".

"It was just **chatting safely** about each other's qualities, there was **no critical sense** whatsoever. It should be about concrete behavior that you can change."

"How are we going to **measure** any changes?"





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Sociocultural perspective:

Feedback conversations in the form of group dialogues









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Take home message

It's about investing in relationships and managing group dynamics, not about following recipes







Thank you for your attention

Questions, suggestions, ideas?





