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# Benchmarking Compliance for the Healthcare Industry

What every pharmaceutical and medical device company needs to know in 2013

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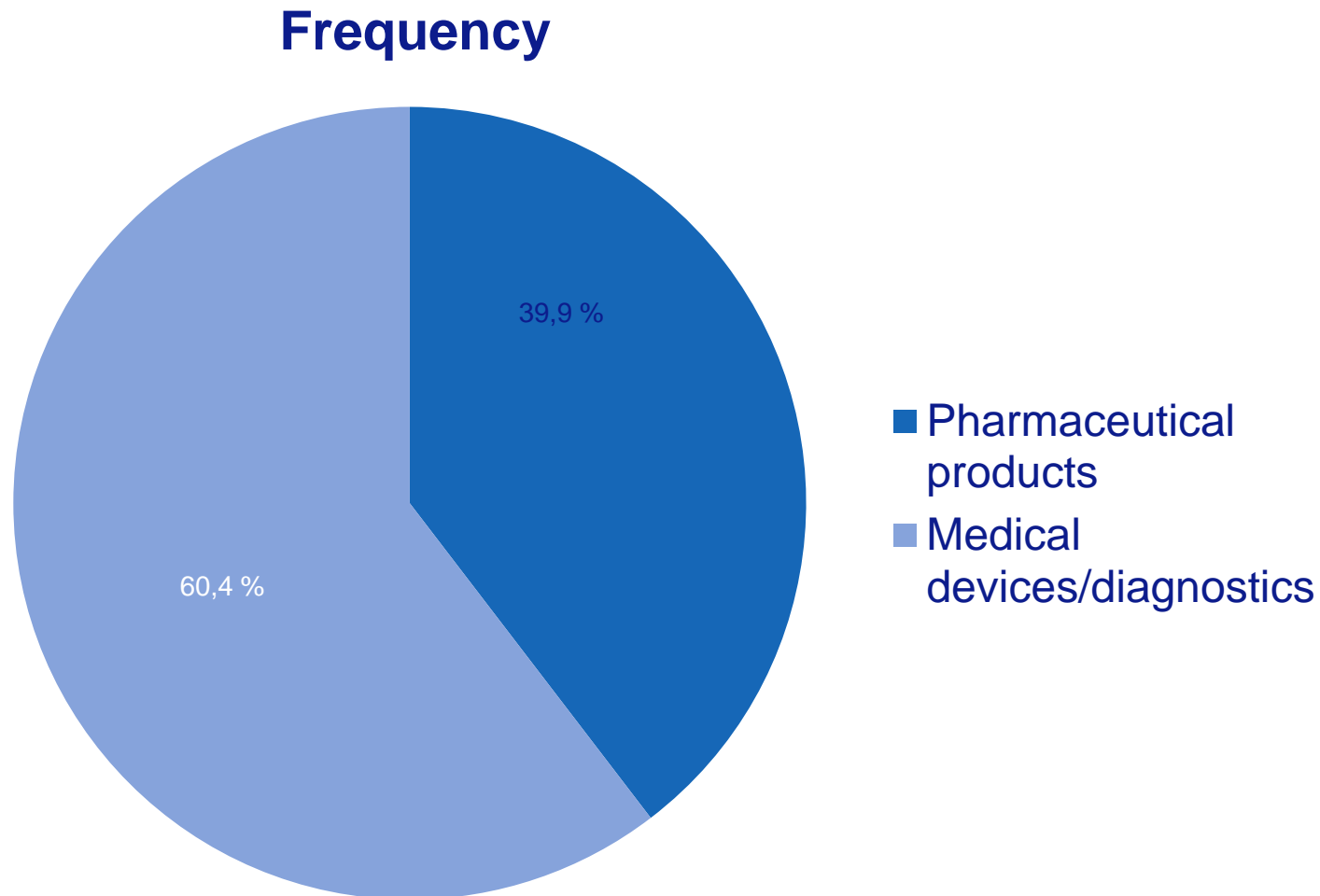
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# Introduction

- Benchmark Survey sponsored by
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- Conducted in April/May 2013
- Rolled out as an cross-atlantic electronic survey
- Approached contacts within medical device and pharmaceutical organisations
- 59 questions
- 102 respondents
- Confidential survey-data was aggregated, not linked to individuals/companies

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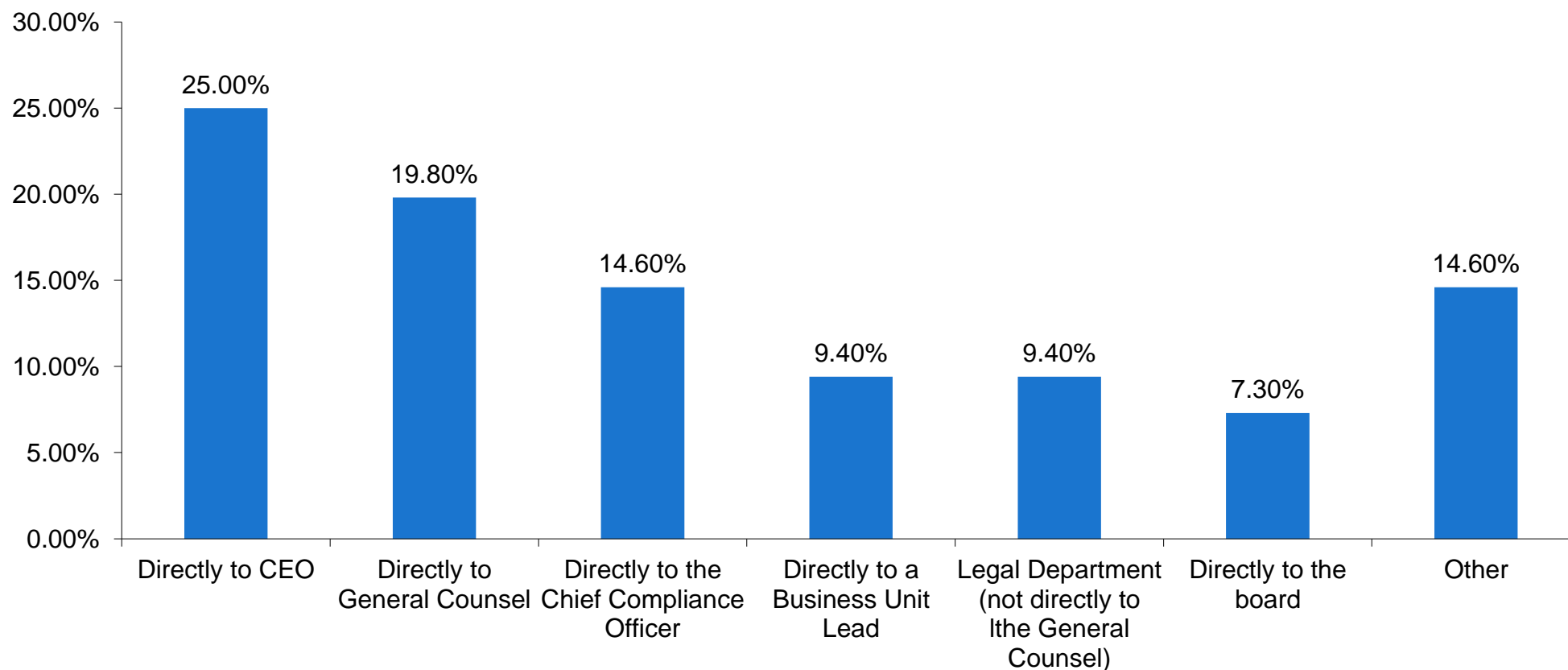




- Regulators and other healthcare organizations, including the Office of Inspector General of the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services (OIG), caution about the risks of structuring an organization's compliance functions as subordinate to the General Counsel function.
- However, even though the majority of Chief Compliance Officers report directly to a Chief Executive Officer or Board of Directors, approximately 30% still report directly to the General Counsel or Legal Department.

# Q: To whom does the individual with responsibility for health care compliance (e.g., Chief Compliance Officer) in your company report?

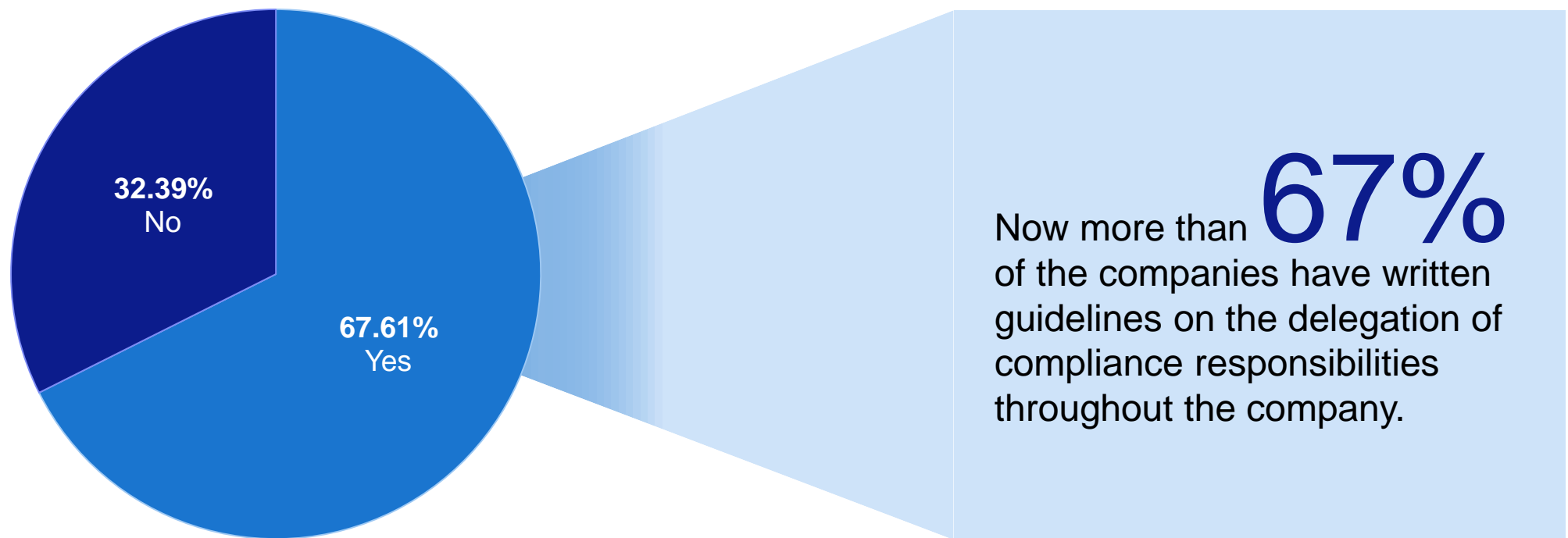
To whom do CCOs/compliance officers report regarding compliance issues?



Base: All respondents (medical device and pharmaceutical organizations, 102)

Source: Clifford Chance Global Compliance Benchmarking Survey 2013

**Q:** Do you have a delegation of duty guidelines, i.e. written guidelines that allocate and define compliance responsibilities throughout your company?



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## Q: Does your company have established Compliance KPI (Key Performance Indicators)?

Many companies have established Compliance Key Performance Indicators (KPIs).

Response	Count
training metrics	34
database to report on compliance incidents	33
number/type of investigations, hotline calls	32
expense reporting violations	17
measurement of action plan developed, completed	15
metrics for diligence on vendors	15
metrics for committee activities	14
self assessments by business units	14
track number of contracts reviewed	14
tracking of patient complaints handled and resolved	14
Others	2

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## Q: Do any compliance-related Key Performance Indicators (KPIs) trigger bonus payments?

However, only **11%** of the companies offer bonus payments to reward compliance behaviour.

Response	Frequency
No	83,34%
Complying with our company code of conduct (capturing all compliance principles) is a precondition for any bonus payout) while in high risk countries/region compliance counts for 20% of the bonus value for 2013.	5,56%
No KPI. Bonus are paid by judgement	5,56%
Yes, it is a factor in determining some individual's bonuses	5,56%

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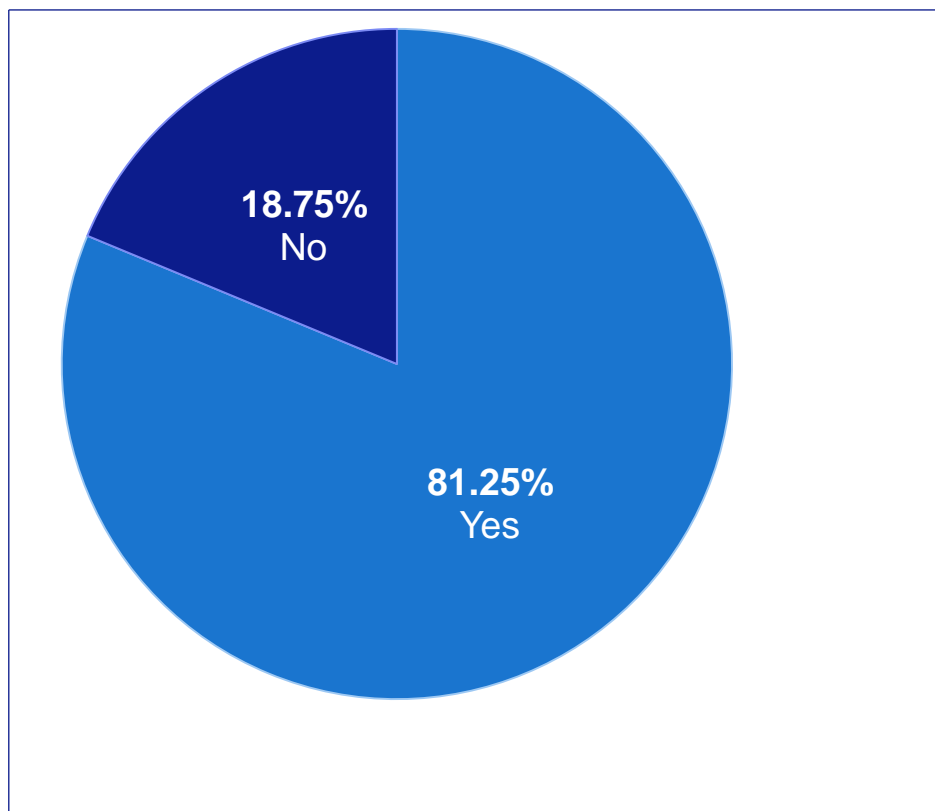
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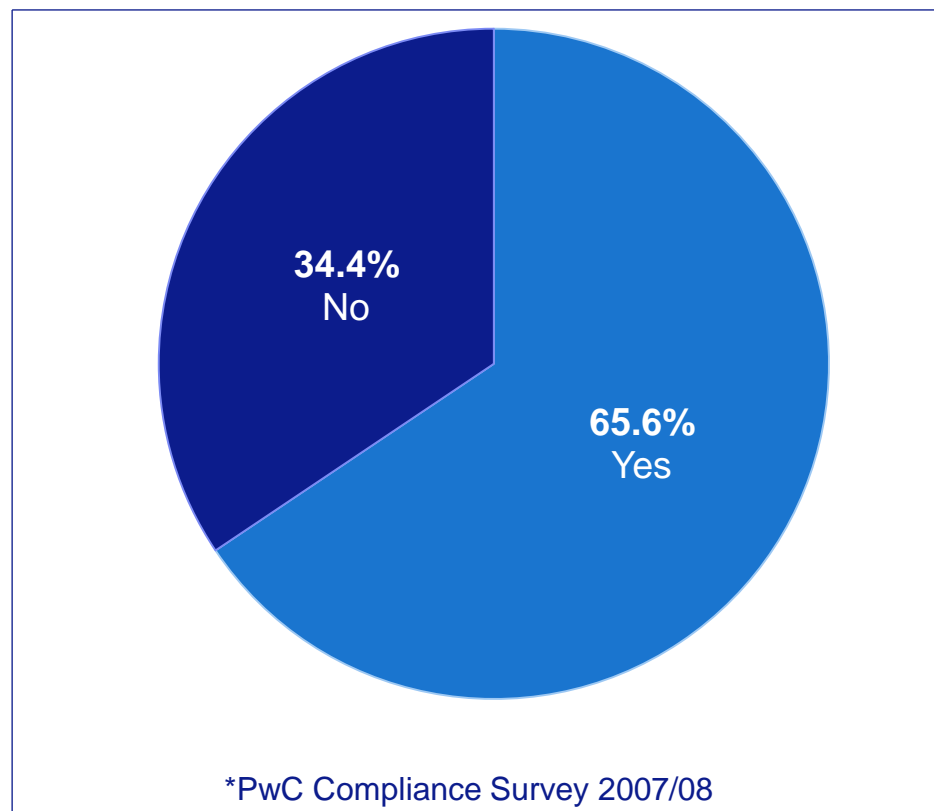
- With respect to their interactions with healthcare professionals, companies are not merely documenting their policies, procedures, and practices, but are also increasing the focus on areas of particular compliance risk.
  - Almost all respondent companies (approx. 97%) have written policies and procedures covering interactions with healthcare professionals.
  - Respondents indicate a significant increase (from 65.6% in 2007/8 to 81.25% in 2013) in companies that establish policies regarding Fair Market Value (FMV) for services provided by HCP's.
- Industry-wide commitment to written policies/procedures and an increased focus on key compliance risk areas reflects an increased commitment to compliance.

# Q: Does your company have a policy regarding Fair Market Value (FMV) for services provided by healthcare professionals?

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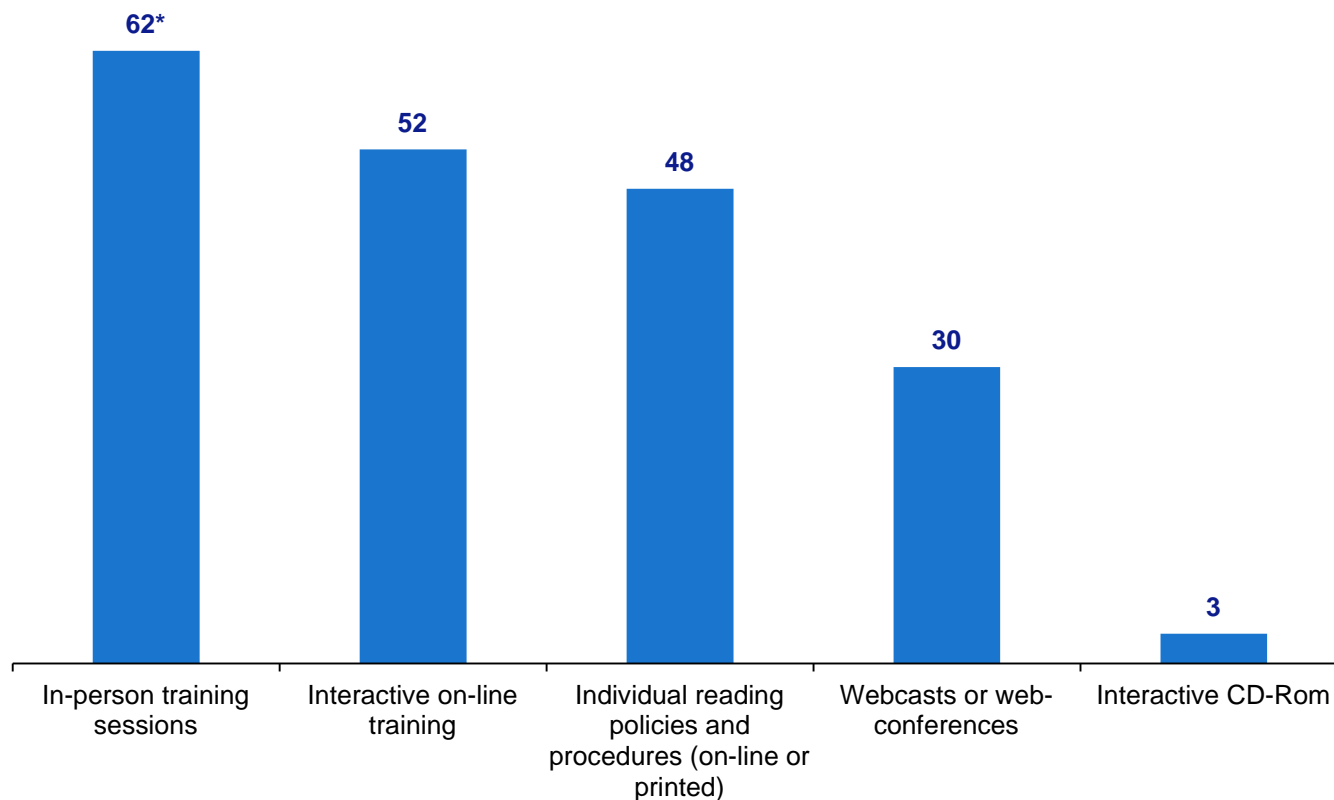
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- Although compliance training appears to cover all aspects of the relevant codes equally, only 60% of respondents use “active” training methods (e.g., in-person or interactive on-line training).
- The rest use “passive” methods (e.g., individual reading of policies/procedures or webcasts / web-conferences).
- Cost can be a concern, but active training methods are more effective and companies can do more to promote their use throughout the industry.

# Q: What delivery methods are used for your company's compliance training?

How does your company conduct the compliance trainings?



Over **half**  
of the companies  
offer either in-person  
or on-line interactive  
training sessions

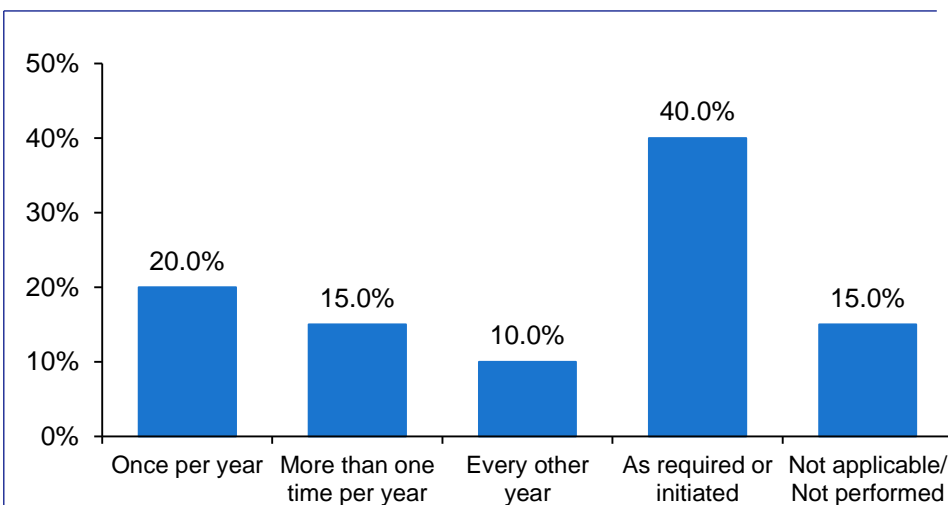
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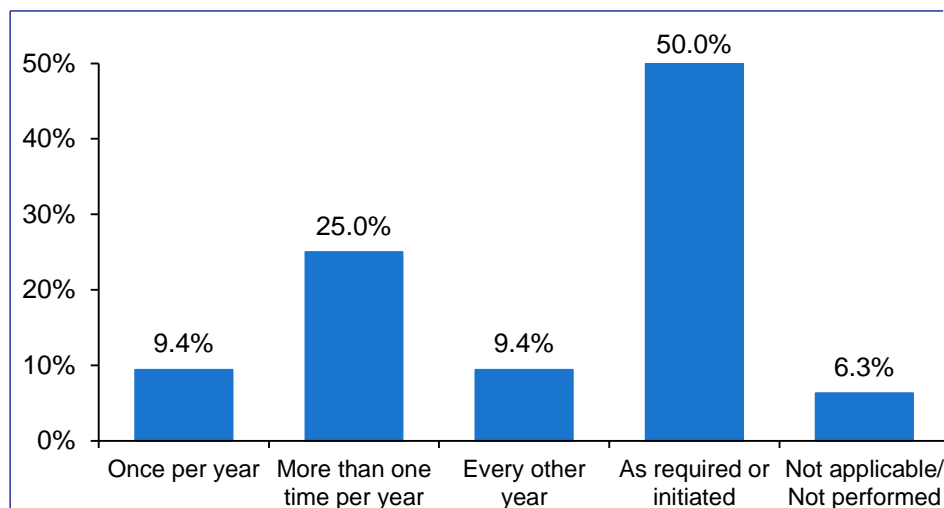
# Q: How frequently are audits conducted on the AdvaMed Code, Eucomed Code or EFPIA Code or your company's corresponding compliance policies?

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Response	Frequency
Once per year	20.00%
More than one time per year	15.00%
Every other year	10.00%
<b>As required or initiated</b>	<b>40.00%</b>
Not applicable/Not performed	15.00%

2007/08\*



Response	Frequency
Once per year	9.4%
More than one time per year	25.0%
Every other year	9.4%
<b>As required or initiated</b>	<b>50.0%</b>
Not applicable/Not performed	6.3%

\*PwC Compliance Survey 2007/08

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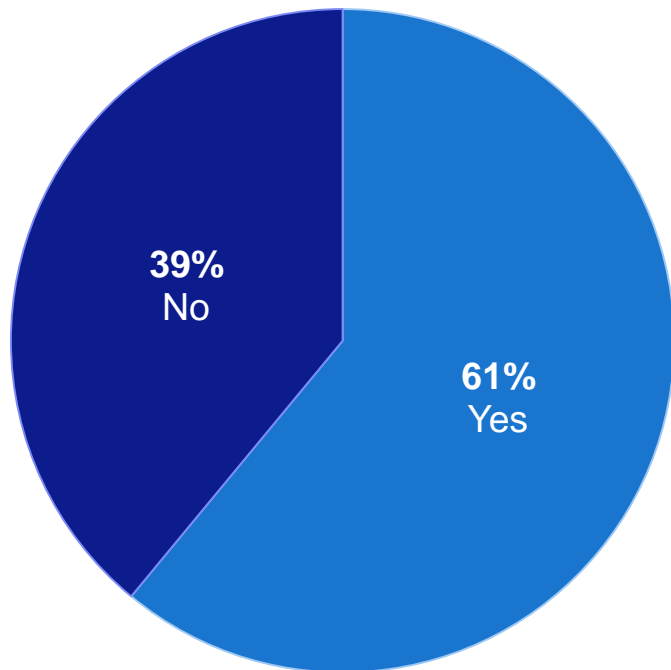
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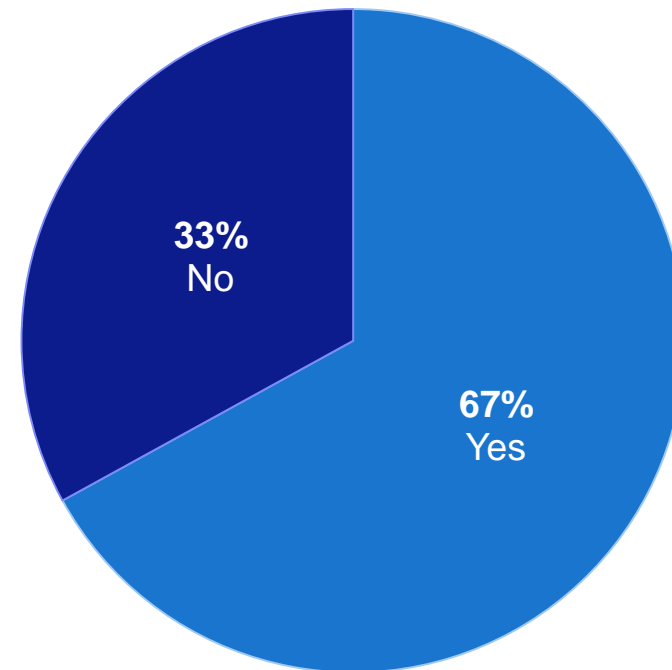
- 35% of respondents indicated that they do not have monitoring and auditing guidelines.
- This large number could be reflective of the size of some of the respondents, but nevertheless represents a compliance gap that should be closed.

# Q: Does your company have monitoring and auditing guidelines?

## Medical devices/diagnostics



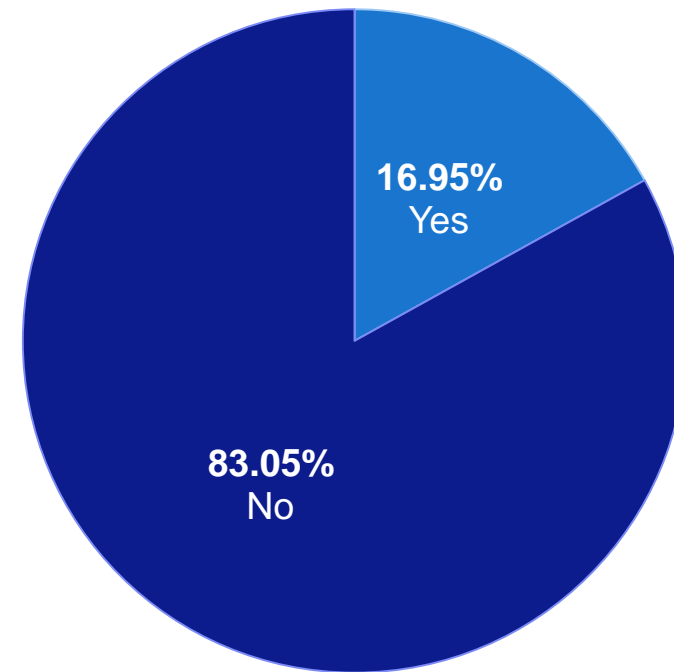
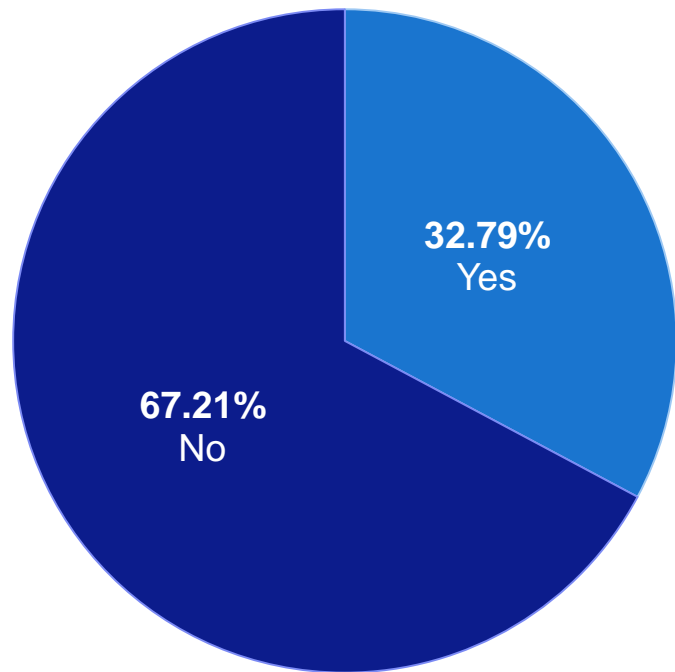
## Pharmaceutical products





**Q:** Does your company aggregate European spending to Healthcare Professionals?

Does your company publicly disclose European spending to Healthcare Professionals?

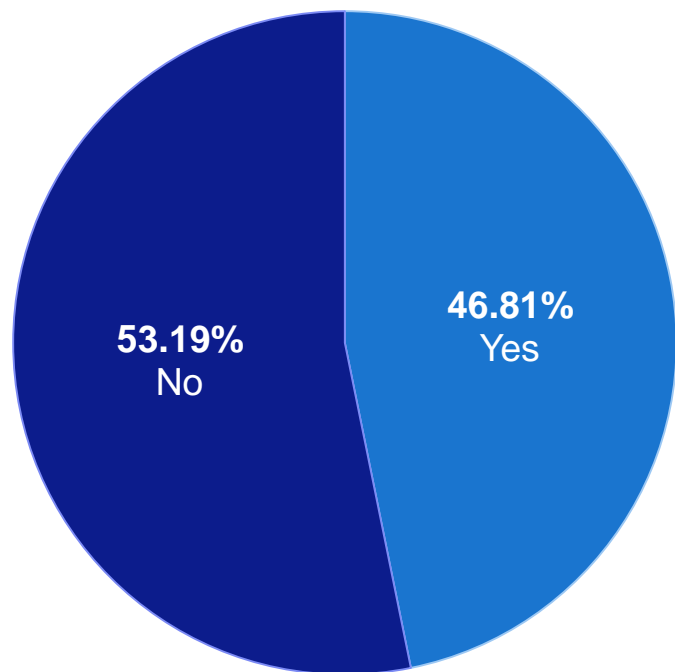


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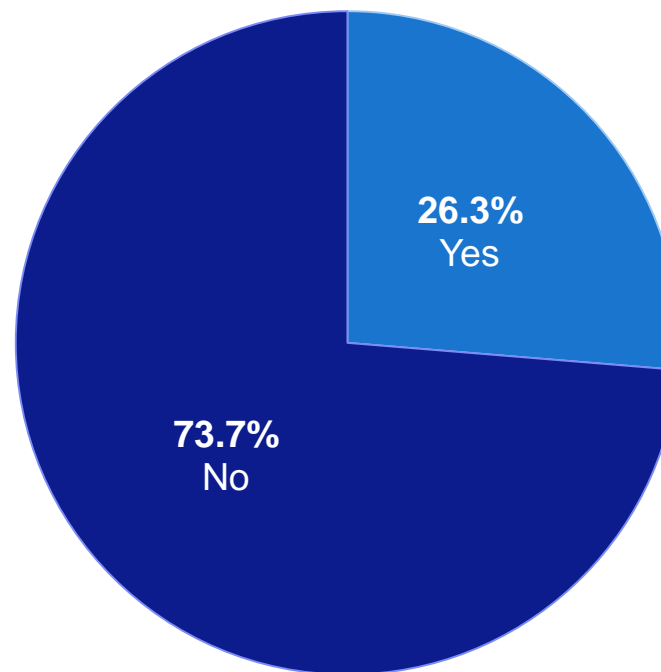
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**Q:** IF NO, does your company have any proactive plan to publicly disclose European financial consulting fees, charitable contributions or royalty arrangements?

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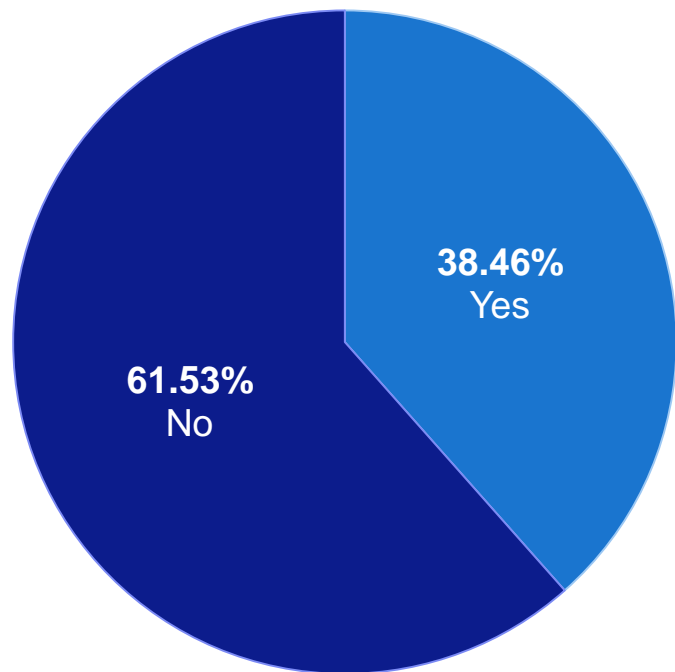


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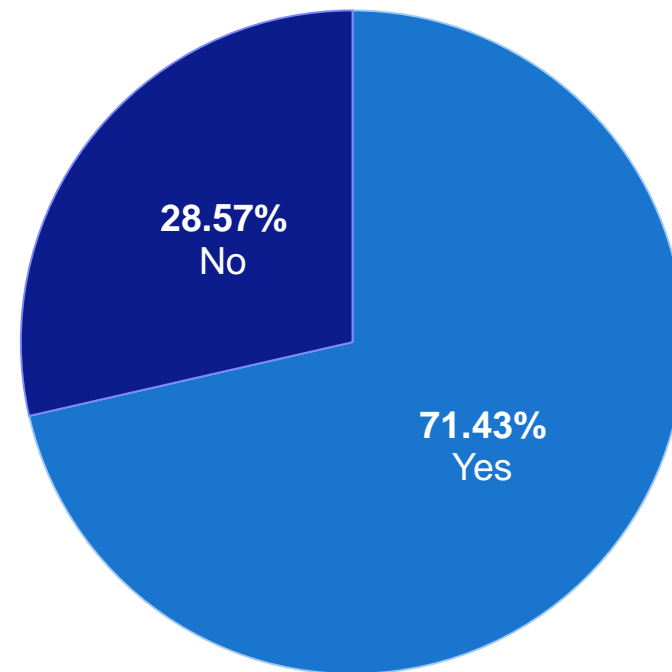
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## Medical devices/diagnostics



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- In order of frequency, respondents indicate these areas are their top compliance priorities:
  1. Distributor relationships
  2. FCPA program
  3. Due diligence programs
  4. International Ethics Code
  5. Regulatory issues / approvals
  6. Third parties (CSOs / CROs)
- Regionally, Asia-Pacific is the top compliance priority
- The current enforcement climate has a large impact on these results – global bribery investigations (and related penalties) as well as bribery-focused due diligence exercises have been, and continue to be, a significant focus of compliance departments through the pharmaceutical and medical device industries.

# Survey take aways

## ■ Organization

- Reporting lines to CEO or General Counsel
- Dominance of legal background
- Core responsibilities of CCO: Education, policies, interactions with HCPs and government officials
- Lack of written guidelines on the compliance organization as such (nearly 1/3)
- Multitude of sources/tools to address compliance issues
- No bonus payments to reward compliant behaviour

## ■ Policies

- Written Policies and Procedures are standard
- Policies are either based on Eucomed/EFPIA codes (75%) or on local codes (25%)
- Increased establishment of explicit fair market value policies

# Survey take aways

## ■ Training

- More than 50 % are training sales representatives once per year or more, but 50 % less or without fixed intervals
- Content of compliance training covers all aspects of the relevant codes equally

## ■ Monitoring and Auditing

- Lack of Monitoring & Auditing Guidelines (more than 1/3)
- No increase of audit frequency since 2007/08 survey

## ■ Top Compliance priorities

- Relationships to third parties are on the top of the agenda
- Asia-Pacific & Europe are on the agenda

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