

Table S1: Comparison between the emergency physicians' characteristics working in different hospitals in Kuwait

	Hospital (A) (N=18)	Hospital (B) (N=14)	Hospital (C) (N=15)	Hospital (D) (N=17)	Hospital (E) (N=20)	Hospital (F) (N=20)	P value*
Age	40.11(±11.6)	39.64(±10.4)	43.11(±8.8)	34.25(±5.2)	39.4(±9.8)	36.95(±9.0)	0.151
Sex							
• Males	14(77.8%)	13(92.9%)	14(93.3%)	17(100.0%)	16(80.0%)	16(80.0%)	0.249**
• Females	4(22.2%)	1(7.1%)	1(6.7%)	0	4(20.0%)	4(20.0%)	
Nationality							
• Kuwaiti	5(27.8%)	2(14.3%)	2(13.3%)	1(5.9%)	5(25.0%)	6(30.0%)	0.417**
• Others	13(72.2%)	12(85.7%)	13(86.7%)	16(94.1%)	15(75.0%)	14(70.0%)	
Qualification							
• MBBS	4(22.2%)	2(14.3%)	1(6.7%)	3(17.6%)	7(35.0%)	11(55.0%)	0.020**
• Master	12(66.7%)	8(57.1%)	8(53.3%)	14(82.4%)	12(60.0%)	7(35.0%)	
• MD	2(11.1%)	4(28.6%)	6(40.0%)	0	1(5.0%)	2(10.0%)	
Position							
• Assistant registrar	2(11.1%)	0	0	1(5.0%)	1(5.0%)	2(10.0%)	0.151**
• Registrar	14(77.8%)	10(71.4%)	11(73.3%)	16(94.1%)	18(90.0%)	17(85.0%)	
• Senior registrar	1(5.6%)	4(28.6%)	1(6.7%)	0	1(5.0%)	1(5.0%)	
• Specialist/ Consultant	1(5.6%)	0	3(20%)	0	0	0	
Specialty							
• Emergency Medicine	8(44.4%)	12(85.7%)	8(53.3%)	10(58.8%)	16(80.0%)	14(70.0%)	0.007**
• Internal Medicine	5(27.8%)	1(7.1%)	2(13.3%)	2(11.8%)	1(5.0%)	1(5.0%)	
• Surgery	0	0	3(20.0%)	1(5.9%)	3(15.0%)	3(15.0%)	
• Others	5(27.8%)	1(7.1%)	2(13.3%)	4(23.5%)	0	2(10.0%)	
Experience yrs)	14.11(±9.6)	14.79(±10.5)	17.47(±8.5)	9.38(±5.1)	15.05(±10.3)	10.9(±8.4)	0.118
Attitude							
• Positive attitude	7(38.9%)	7(50.0%)	5(33.3%)	4(23.5%)	5(25.0%)	6(30.0%)	0.832**
• Negative attitude	2(11.1%)	2(14.3%)	4(26.7%)	5(29.4%)	3(15.0%)	5(25.0%)	
• Not sure	9(50.0%)	5(35.7%)	6(40.0%)	8(47.1%)	12(60.0%)	9(45.0%)	
Knowledge							
Total score	4.78(2.25)	6.0(2.51)	6.07(2.81)	6.12(2.48)	5.65(2.43)	5.6(2.46)	0.623
• Good knowledge	1(5.6%)	3(21.4%)	4(26.7%)	3(17.6%)	3(15.0%)	2(10.0%)	0.877**
• Fair knowledge	6(33.3%)	4(28.6%)	6(40.0%)	7(41.2%)	7(35.0%)	7(35.0%)	
• Poor knowledge	11(61.1%)	7(50.0%)	5(33.3%)	7(41.2%)	10(50.0%)	11(55.0%)	

* P value < 0.05 is significant **; Fisher Exact

Hospital (A): Mubarak AlKabeer, Hospital (B): AlAdan, Hospital, (C): AlSabah, Hospital (D): Al-Jahra, Hospital (E): Al-Farawanyia, Hospital (F): Al-Amiri