#1: Certificates of Added Competence (Non-CACs)

## NON–CAC HOLDERS

1. Prior to reading this survey introduction were you familiar with [Certificates of Added Competence](#) (CACs) in family medicine?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [ ] No

2. Do you collaborate with physicians who hold CACs?
   - [ ] Yes
   - [ ] No
   - [ ] Not sure

3. Please specify why you do not collaborate with physicians who hold the CACs:
   (check all that apply)
   - [ ] I don’t know whether the physicians with whom I collaborate have CACs
   - [ ] I don’t know how to find physicians with CACs
   - [ ] There are no physicians with CACs in my area
   - [ ] Physicians with CACs have long wait lists
   - [ ] I have concerns about their levels of expertise
   - [ ] Other (text box)
4. Describe how you collaborate with physicians who hold CACs:
(check all that apply)

- They are members of your team
- You call them for consultations
- You refer patients to them
- Other (please specify)

5. Do you find colleagues with CACs to be helpful resources to you in your practice?

- Very helpful
- Helpful
- Somewhat helpful
- Not helpful

6. Has the implementation of CACs affected your personal practice or career?

- Very positively
- Positively
- No impact
- Negatively
- Very negatively
7. Please specify how the implementation of CACs negatively affected your personal practice or career:
   (check all that apply)
   - Fewer job opportunities
   - Lower income
   - Altered perception of comprehensive family physicians’ knowledge
   - Additional level of terminology to keep track of
   - Pressure to obtain additional certification
   - Other (please explain)

8. Please specify how the implementation of CACs positively affected your personal practice or career:
   (check all that apply)
   - Greater support
   - Better care for patients
   - Expedited access to relevant clinical expertise
   - Improved perception of family physician expertise in relevant areas
   - Other (please explain)
9. How would you describe the impact CACs have had on family medicine as a whole?

- Very positive impact
- Positive impact
- No impact
- Negative impact
- Very negative impact

10. Please explain.

11. Do you think the College should approve CACs in other domains of care?

- Yes
- No

12. In which domains of care should the new CACs be approved?