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Capturing Initial Understanding and Impressions of Surgical Therapy for Parkinson's Disease to Enhance Patient Education

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The Problem



Deep Brain Stimulation (DBS) is underused

Our Objective

- better understand DBS hesitancy
- pinpoint specific patient concerns and fears

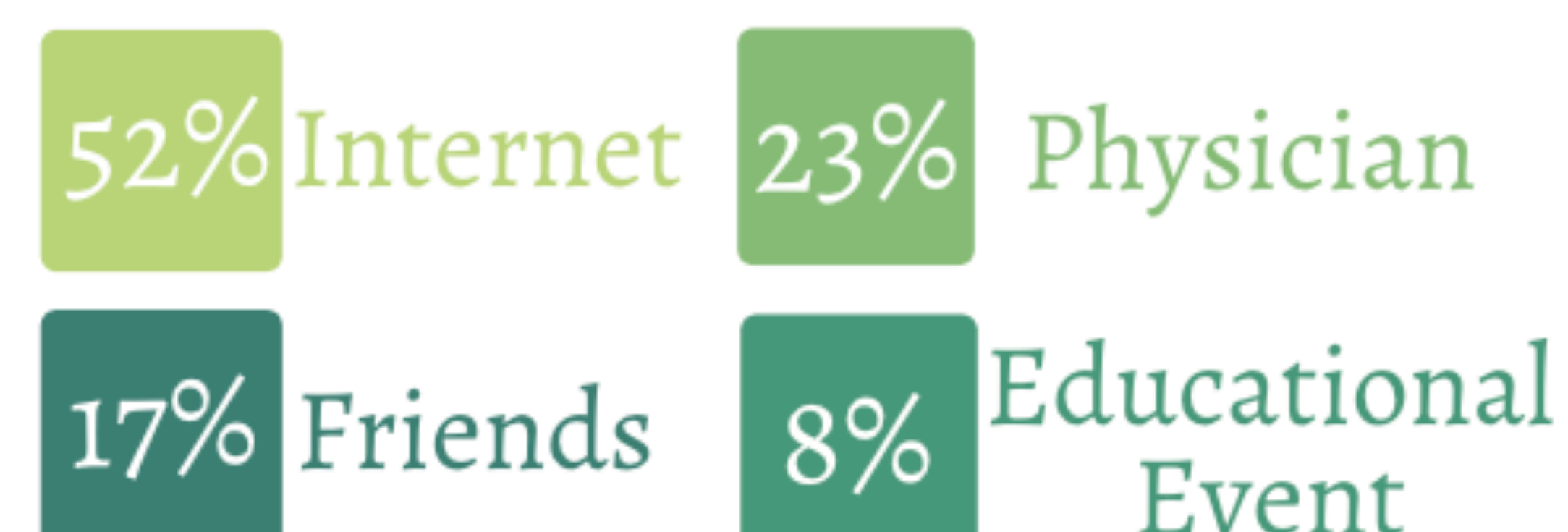
Methods and Study Population

- 30 Question Survey assessing impression and knowledge of DBS procedure
- 102 Parkinsons Patients
- Urban Movement Disorders Clinic



Key Findings

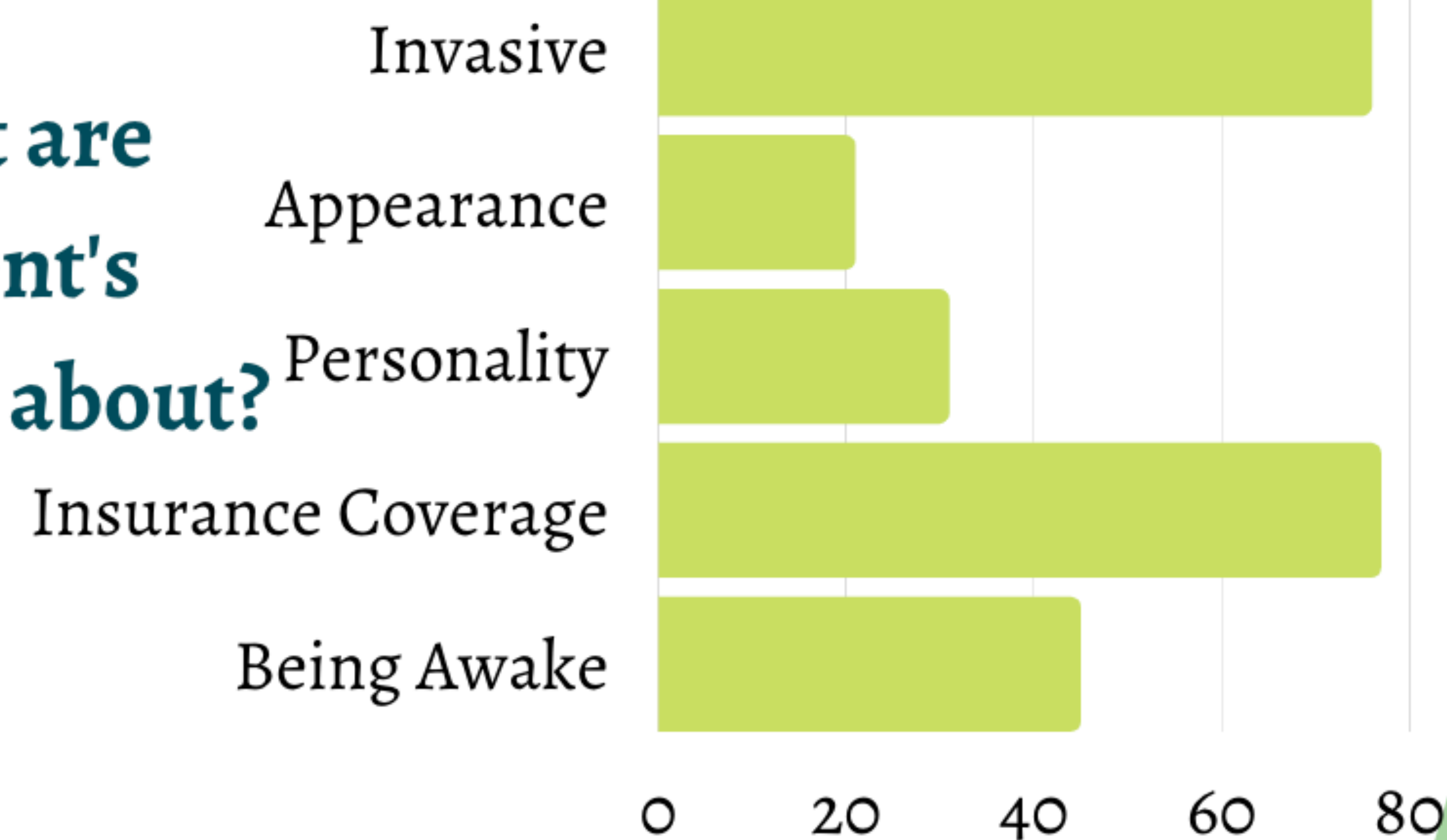
Where do patient's learn about DBS?



DBS should only be used as a last resort?



What are patient's nervous about?



Conclusions

These findings provide us with insight regarding patient hesitancy, helping inform clinicians patient's direct concerns. Further, we can bridge gaps in patient education and improve educational materials moving forward.