Sub-specialty training - what do you think?

- Survey of cardiology trainees in October 2006
- 281 responses
What is your preferred or actual speciality?

44% Academic
18% Acute
5% Congen
5% EP
5% HF
18% Imaging
18% Intervention

Numbers are in %
Which subjects you would consider training in?

- Academic
- Acute
- Congen
- HF
- EP
- Imaging
- Interv
Number of sub-specialty areas that trainees would consider:

- 0 sub-specialty areas: 2
- 1 sub-specialty area: 11
- 2 sub-specialty areas: 18
- 3 sub-specialty areas: 16
- 4 sub-specialty areas: 13
- 5 sub-specialty areas: 6
- 6 sub-specialty areas: 3
- 7 sub-specialty areas: 32
Would you consider an alternative subspecialty in your Deanery if your preferred one was not available?

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Do you feel that the current informal placement system works satisfactorily?
If your chosen subspecialty is full but your second choice has places would you:

- Another spec: 17
- Another deanery: 30
- Go away 1 yr: 53
Would you prefer the selection process is done at a...

- Local Deanery: 52
- Mega Deanery: 32
- National: 16
Would you be prepared to move regions in order to pursue your chosen speciality if you were not selected to that speciality in your local area?

- Same region: 10%
- Neighbour (50-200 miles): 49%
- Anywhere: 29%
How many times would you prefer the selection be allowed?

- Once only, e.g. a national clearing scheme: 33%
- Region by region allowing several, but disjointed bites: 67%
Do you think SpRs obtaining extra out of programme experience prior to applying for subspecialty selection should be given priority over those who have stayed in the programme (and hence have fewer numbers / procedures)?

Yes: 51%
No: 49%