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BACKGROUND

OFF episodes in PD have a significant negative impact on QoL of patients

OBJECTIVE

Determine physician practices in the treatment of OFF episodes in patients with Parkinson’s disease.

METHODS

A survey was sent to 405 physicians who treat patients with PD

- 175 primary care physicians [PCP],
- 97 neurologists [NEURO] and
- 36 movement disorder specialists [MOV]).

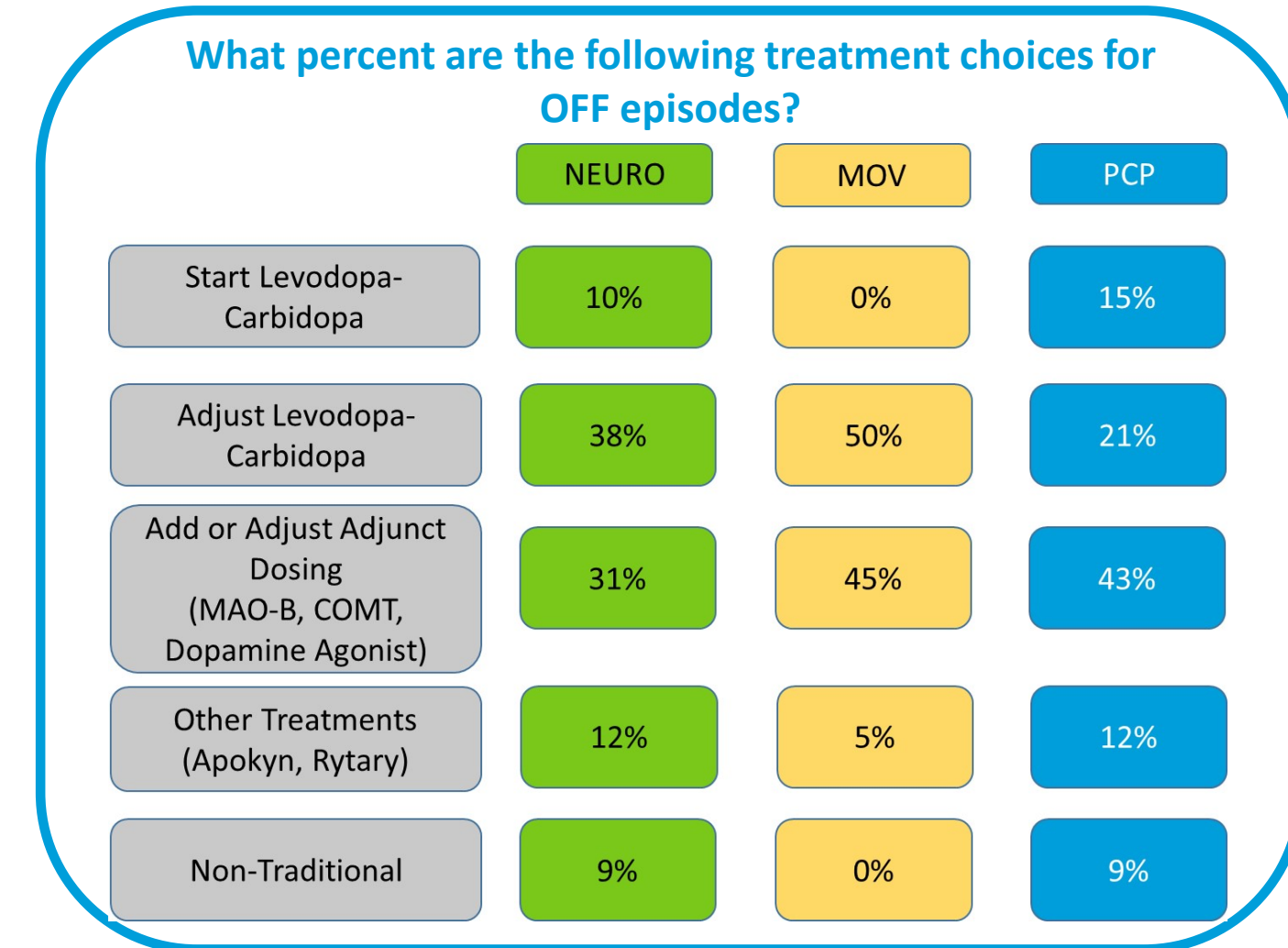
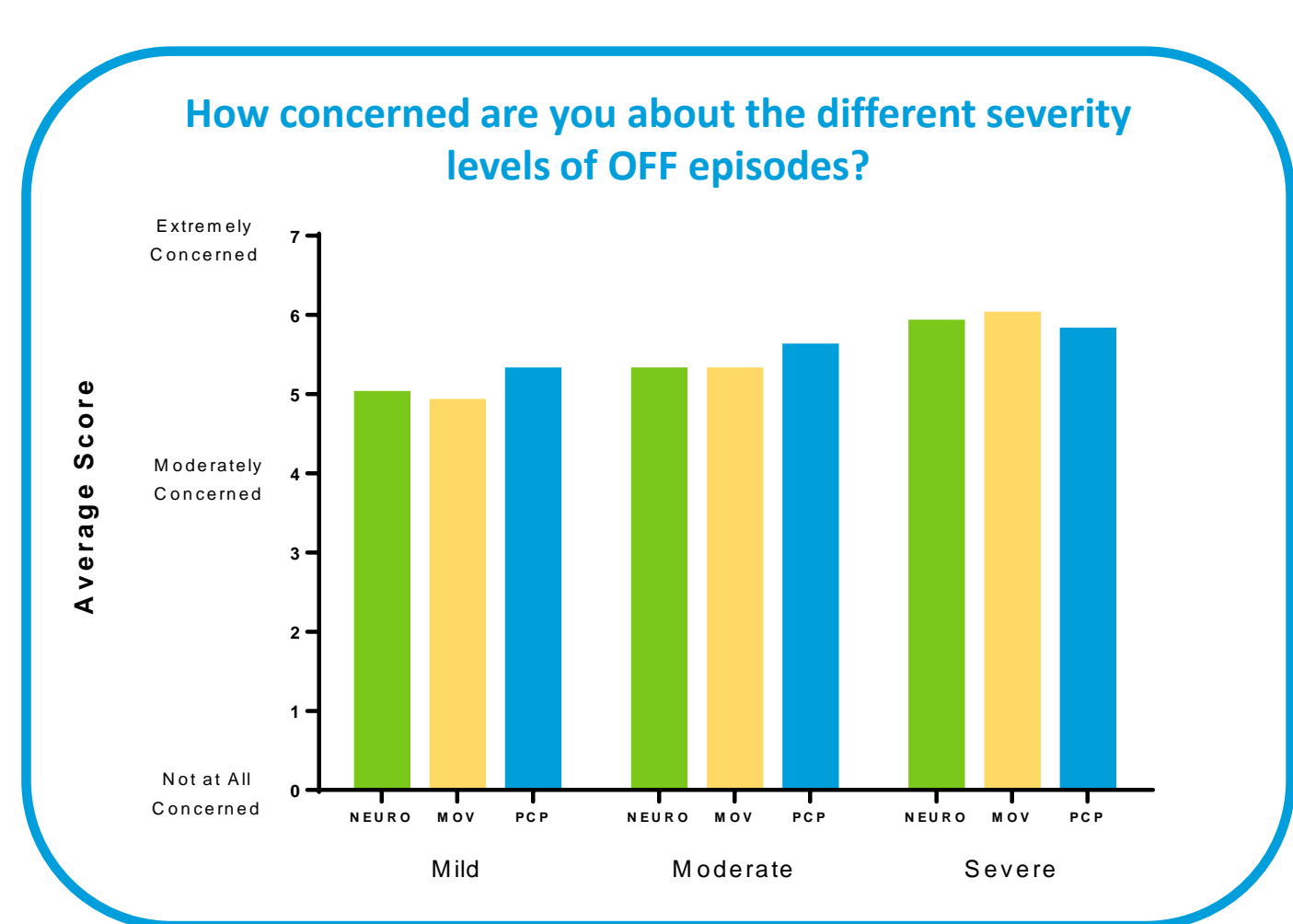
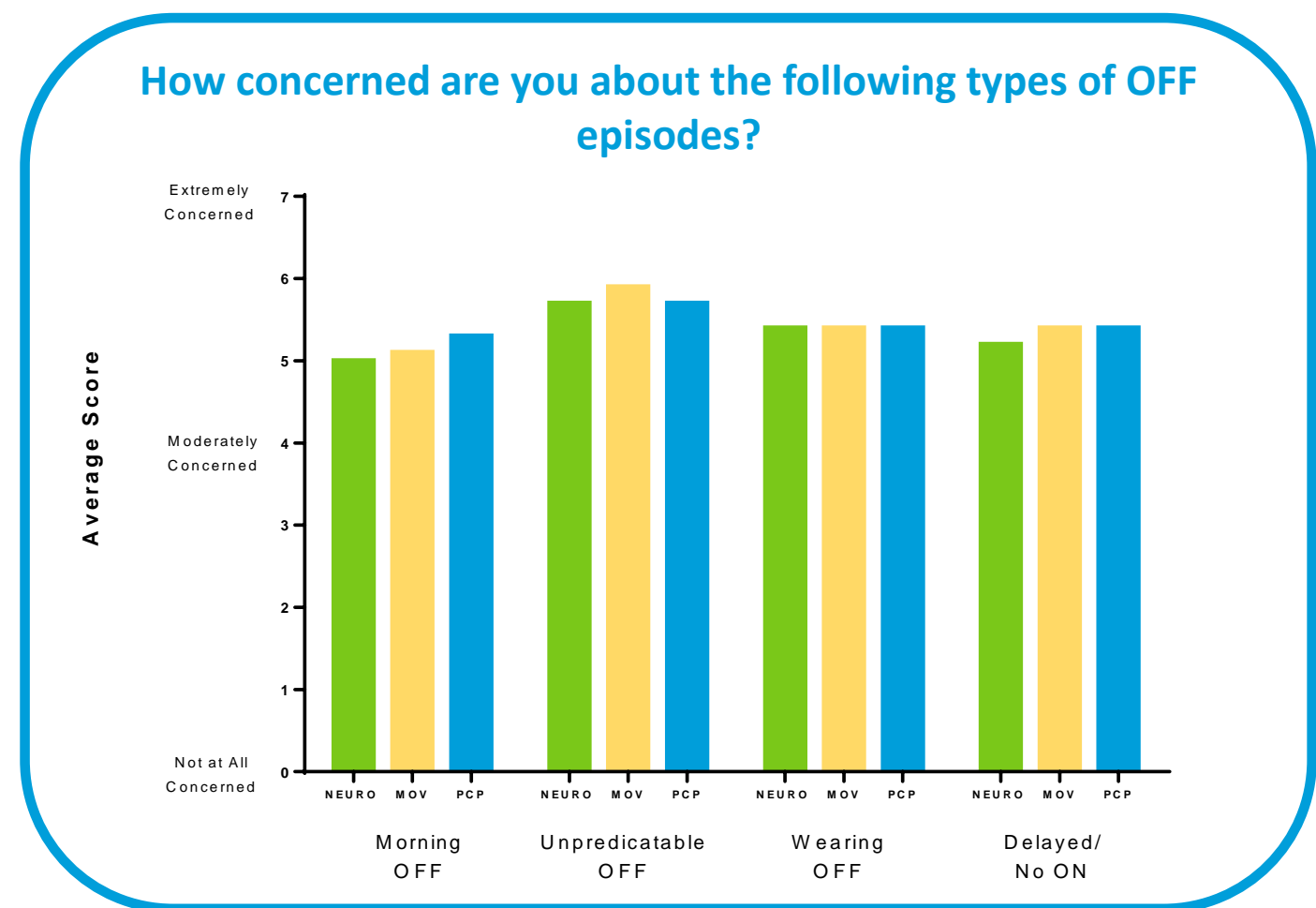
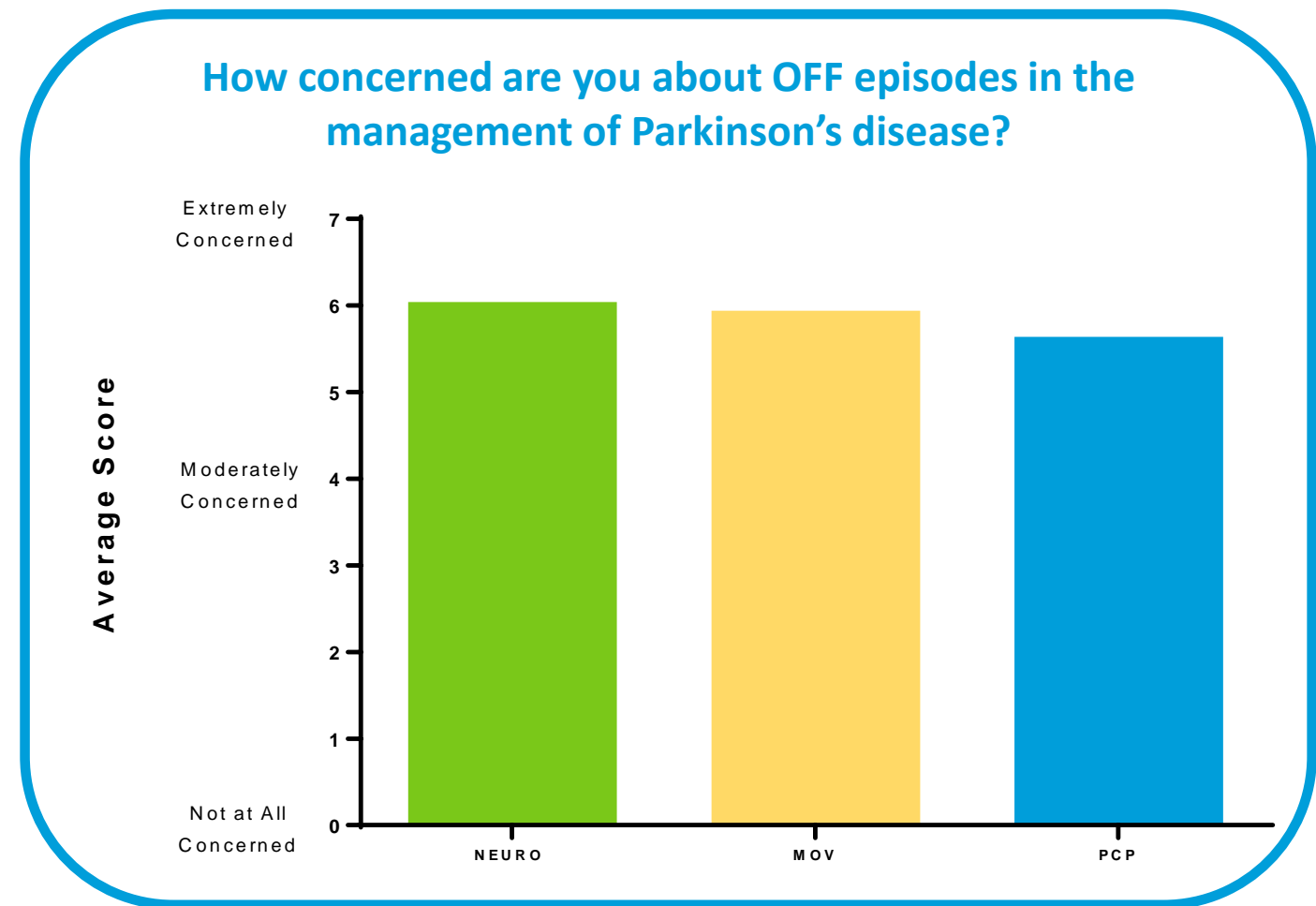
The survey queried physician practices and attitudes regarding the treatment of OFF episodes

SURVEY RESULTS

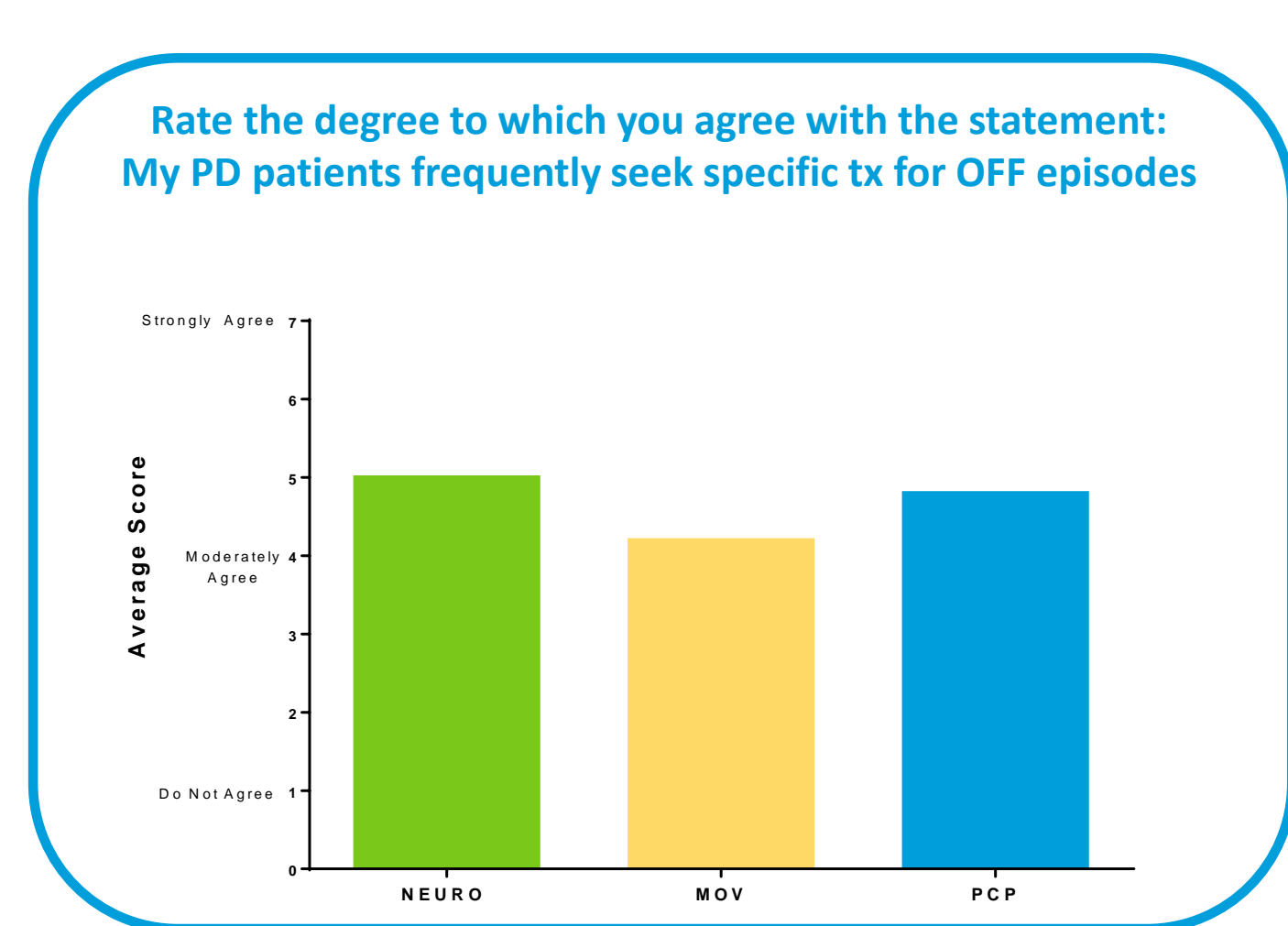
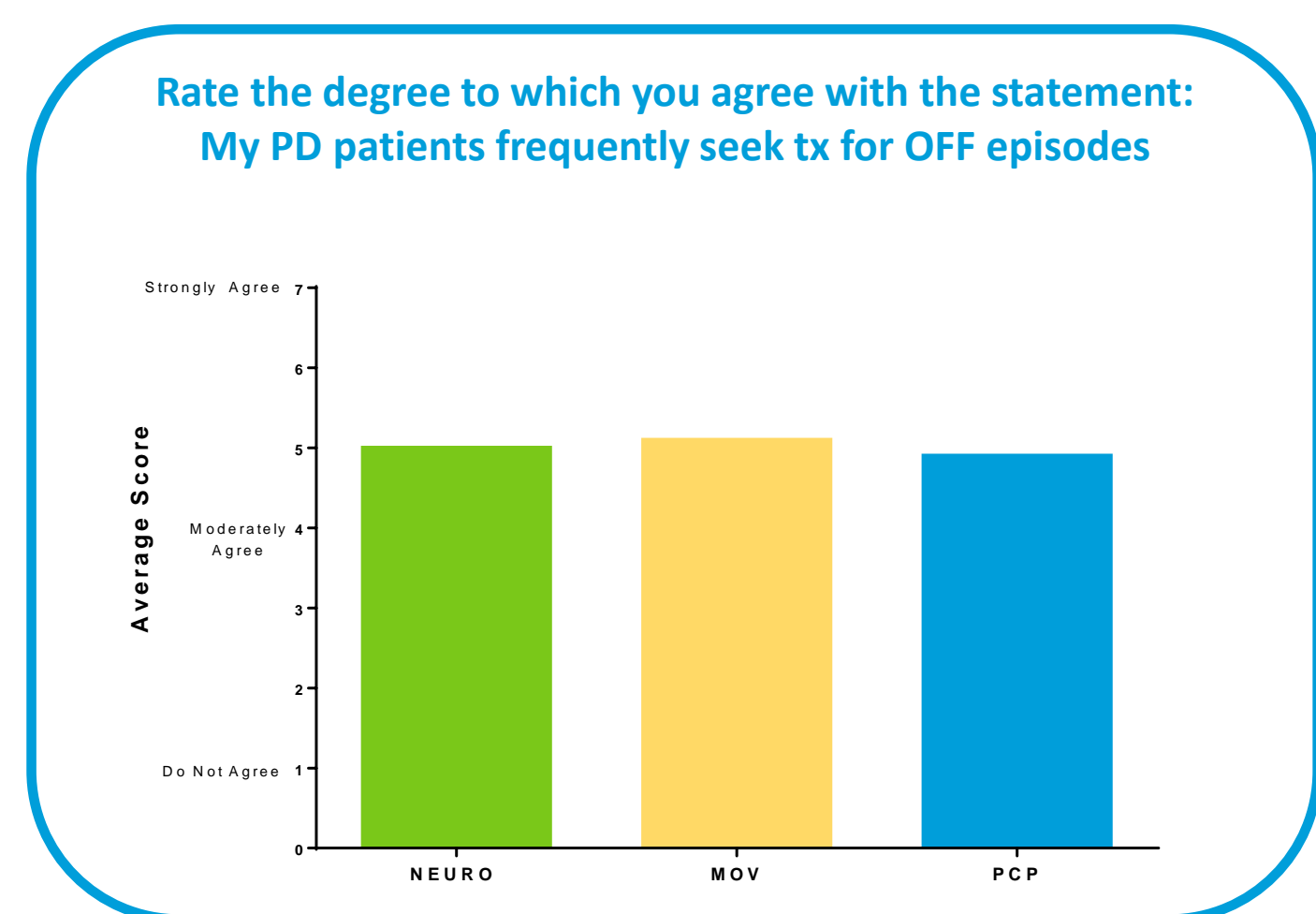
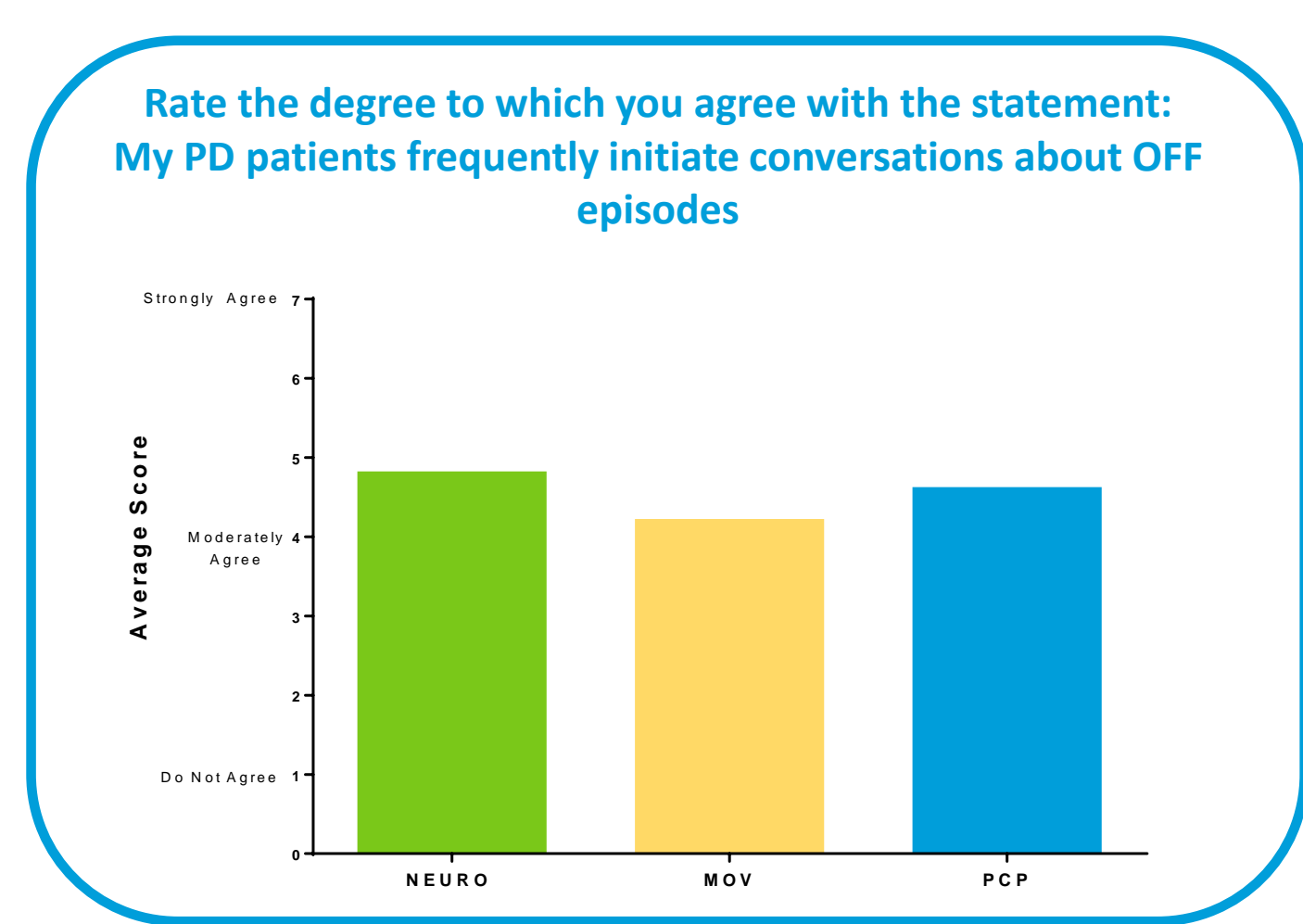
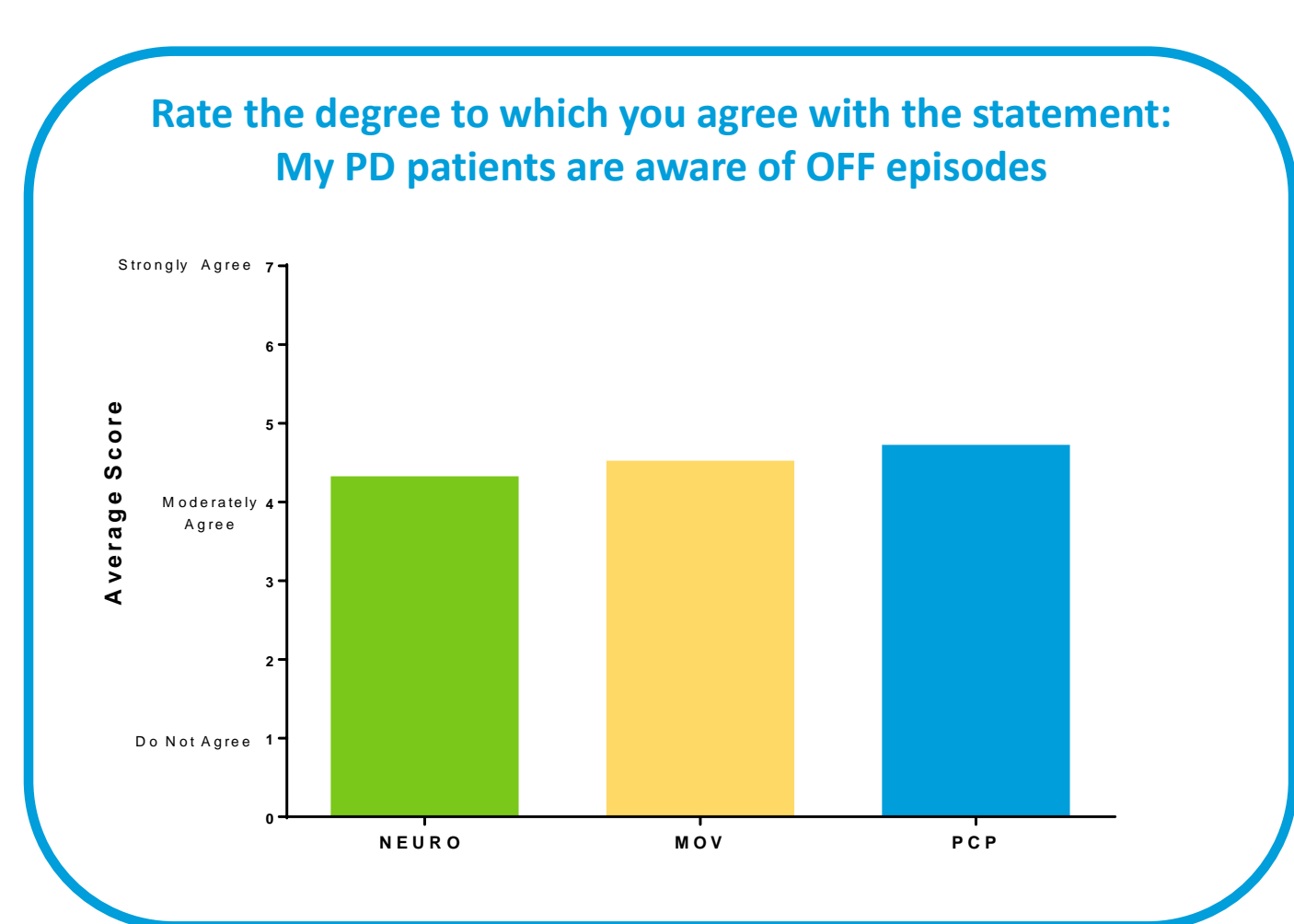
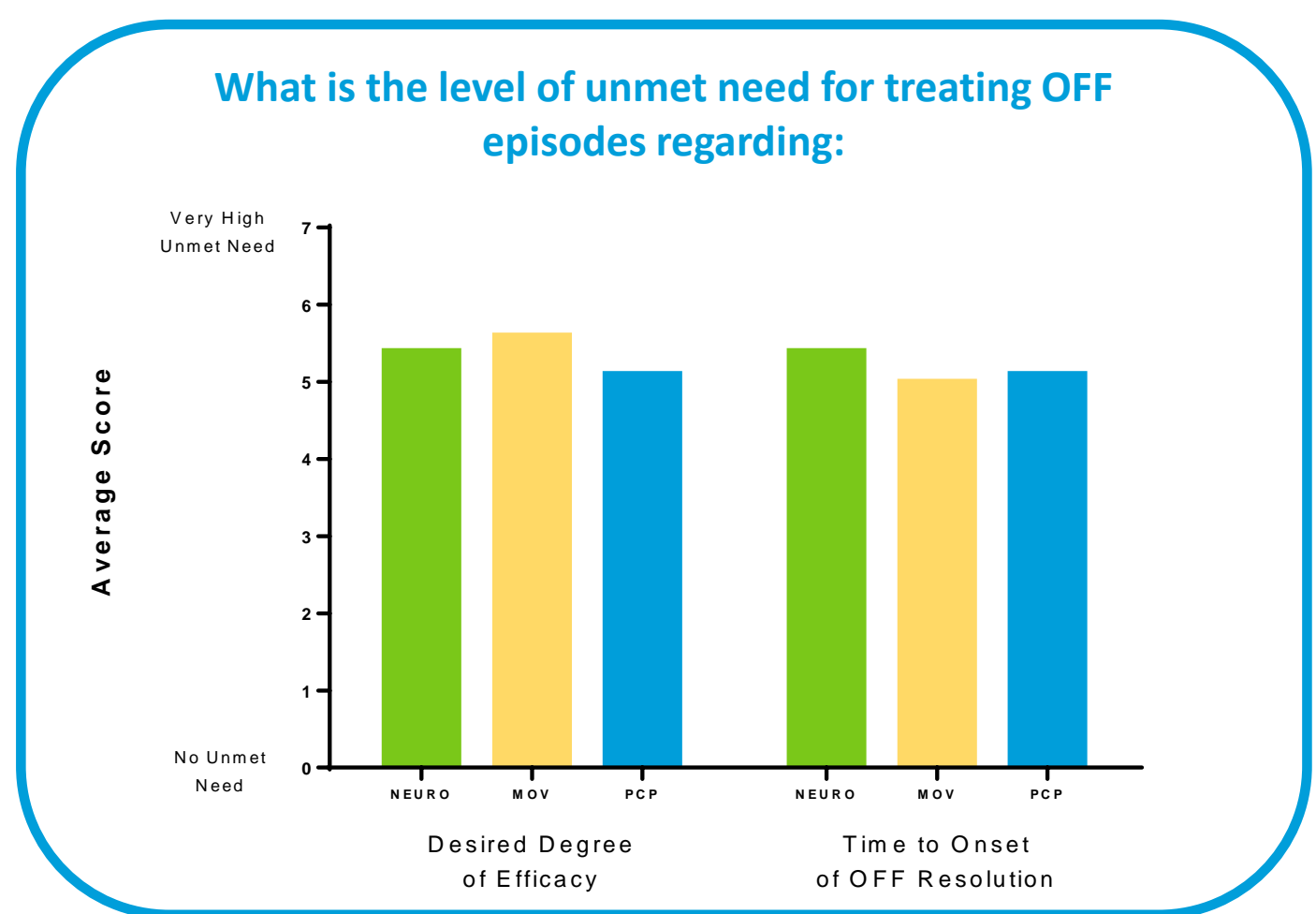
102 surveys returned:
50 Primary Care Physicians (PCP),
30 Neurologists (NEURO) and
22 Movement Disorder Specialists (MOV)

Table 1: Respondent Demographics

Respondent Demographics	All N=102	PCP N=50	NEURO and MOV N=52
# of Yrs Treating PD since Residence, mean	16.7	16.3	17.1
# of PD patients/month, mean	75.4	46.2	103.3
# of Levodopa Rx/month, mean	63.6	40.1	86.3



RESULTS (continued)



CONCLUSIONS

- Physicians are concerned about OFF episodes.
- Physicians feel that their patients are aware of OFF episodes.
- Physicians feel that there is a fairly high level of unmet need regarding treatment options for OFF episodes.

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