

Table 1. Nursing staff responses

<i>Staff questionnaire</i>						
Statements	1	2	3	4	5	Please add any comments:
1. Patient protected time is effective for my patient group	4	7	4		1	<p><i>'But it depends on the situation and state of patients on the ward. At times it's impossible to be effective'</i></p> <p><i>'Though it depends on the severity of the patients' illness at the time of meeting'</i></p> <p><i>'At the moment it is not because no beneficial activities are ever planned or take place'</i></p>
2. I am satisfied with the implementation of patient protected time	3	10	1	2		<p><i>'Although the implementation process did not involve me as an owner in the change process'</i></p> <p><i>'I'm happy that it's been introduced – it's a good idea in theory. But in practice it needs to be improved'</i></p>
3. Patient protected time could be improved	5	7	1	2	1	<p><i>'It is off the ground and doing well'</i></p> <p><i>'Definitely 100%'</i></p> <p><i>'Shorten the period of time'</i></p>
4. Patient protected time has increased the burden on me	2	3	4	2	5	<p><i>'It depends on the level of staffing and their skills'</i></p> <p><i>'Not really'</i></p>
5. Patient protected time has helped me to focus on patients' needs and aspirations	4	7	2	3		<i>'Most certainly'.</i>
6. Staffing levels have been adequate to allow patient protected time to occur without any risks to safety		5	2	3	5	<i>'This has not allowed a complete realisation of its benefits'</i>
7. Patient protected time is a means of motivating patients	5	7	3	1		<p><i>'Some patients prefer being out in the garden or even on escorted leave during PPT'</i></p> <p><i>'It strengthens my relationship with the patients'</i></p> <p><i>'Yes, it could be, but at the moment there is not enough engagement to achieve effective motivation'</i></p>