Factors influencing job satisfaction in the European health workforce

A Junior Doctors' Perspective

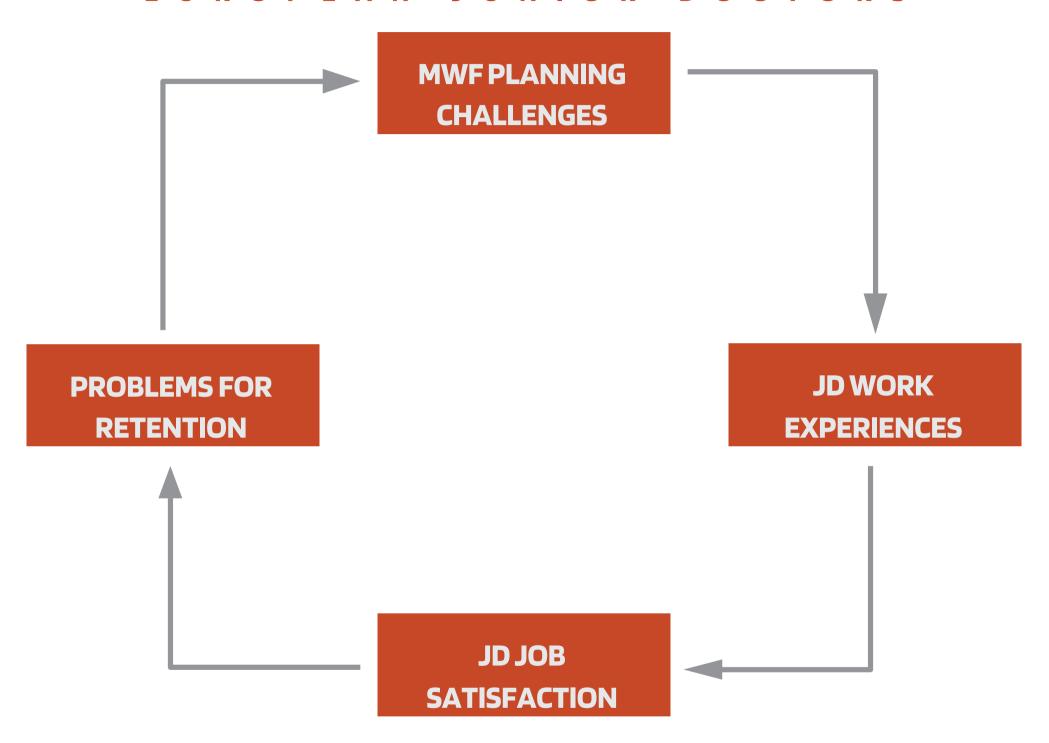
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Background

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Relationship between the work experiences of JD and MWF planning challenges

Abbreviations: MWF (Medical Workforce); JD (Junior Doctors)



Objectives and methods

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OBJECTIVE

To explore European
junior doctors'
work-related experiences
and the impact of
those experiences
on their personal
and professional lives

METHOD

Qualitative research.
Thematic analysis
of in-depth interviews
with the leaders of
24 Junior Doctors
associations
across Europe.

Pillars of Job Satisfaction: The Crumbling Edifice

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WORK-RELATED EXPERIENCES

- > Work overload
- Poor working environment
- Compensation concerns

- Lack of flexibility
- Mobility and employment concerns

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TRAINING-RELATED EXPERIENCES

- High workload
- Insufficient supervision
- Limited time for academia
- Inadequate clinical progress

WORK-LIFE BALANCE

- Inflexible schedules
- Career impact



Dire trends

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- Aging doctors retiring
- Growing demands for work-life balance
- Need to focus on retention
- Action needed on all levels, despite

limitations of the study.



There comes a time when the weeks become eternal if you have 2 or 3 on-call shifts, really.

The impact of physical fatigue to withstand the dynamics of work, becomes very complex, doesn't it?



Why are they feeling this way?

We have doctors being overworked, which leads to poor-quality training. And poor-quality training combined with overwork leads to exhaustion and burnout, and that leads to dropout. And increasing dropout leads to more overwork for the ones who stay, who then have poor training, have more burnout, more dropout

THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION!

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