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| **Variable** | **All**  **(n=280)** |  | **Males**  **(n=105)** |  | **Females**  **(n=175)** |  | **P** |
| **Freq.** | **(%)** | **Freq.** | **(%)** | **Freq.** | **(%)** |
| ***How important is it to you***  ***that?*** |  | |  | |  | |  |
| **Surgeon is assertive** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **0.03** |
| Not important | 7 | (3%) | 3 | (3%) | 4 | (2%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 4 | (2%) | 3 | (3%) | 1 | (1%) |
| Neutral | 67 | (24%) | 29 | (28%) | 38 | (22%) |
| Somewhat important | 81 | (30%) | 32 | (31%) | 49 | (28%) |
| Very important | 116 | (42%) | 35 | (34%) | 81 | (47%) |
| **Surgeon is compassionate** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **<0.001** |
| Not important | 3 | (1%) | 2 | (2%) | 1 | (1%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 5 | (2%) | 3 | (3%) | 2 | (1%) |
| Neutral | 25 | (9%) | 14 | (14%) | 11 | (6%) |
| Somewhat important | 71 | (26%) | 36 | (35%) | 35 | (20%) |
| Very important | 174 | (63%) | 49 | (47%) | 125 | (72%) |
| **Surgeon involves child in**  **decision making process** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **0.005** |
| Not important | 1 | (0%) | 0 | (0%) | 1 | (1%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 2 | (1%) | 0 | (0%) | 2 | (1%) |
| Neutral | 12 | (4%) | 7 | (7%) | 5 | (3%) |
| Somewhat important | 43 | (16%) | 24 | (23%) | 19 | (11%) |
| Very important | 220 | (79%) | 72 | (70%) | 148 | (85%) |
| **Surgeon understands child's**  **sport and goals** |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.19 |
| Not important | 2 | (1%) | 1 | (1%) | 1 | (1%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 2 | (1%) | 2 | (2%) | 0 | (0%) |
| Neutral | 15 | (5%) | 7 | (7%) | 8 | (5%) |
| Somewhat important | 50 | (18%) | 20 | (19%) | 30 | (17%) |
| Very important | 209 | (75%) | 74 | (71%) | 135 | (78%) |
| **Surgeon treats me like an**  **individual** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **0.02** |
| Not important | 7 | (3%) | 4 | (4%) | 3 | (2%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 3 | (1%) | 3 | (3%) | 0 | (0%) |
| Neutral | 29 | (10%) | 14 | (14%) | 15 | (9%) |
| Somewhat important | 58 | (21%) | 23 | (22%) | 35 | (20%) |
| Very important | 182 | (65%) | 60 | (58%) | 122 | (70%) |
| **Surgeon is a good listener** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **<0.001** |
| Not important | 3 | (1%) | 2 | (2%) | 1 | (1%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 2 | (1%) | 2 | (2%) | 0 | (0%) |
| Neutral | 15 | (5%) | 11 | (11%) | 4 | (2%) |
| Somewhat important | 52 | (19%) | 25 | (24%) | 27 | (15%) |
| Very important | 206 | (74%) | 63 | (61%) | 143 | (82%) |

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| **I hear positive things about**  **the surgeon** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **0.045** |
| Not important | 5 | (2%) | 3 | (3%) | 2 | (1%) |
| Somewhat unimportant | 3 | (1%) | 1 | (1%) | 2 | (1%) |
| Neutral | 22 | (8%) | 9 | (9%) | 13 | (8%) |
| Somewhat important | 46 | (17%) | 23 | (22%) | 23 | (13%) |
| Very important | 202 | (73%) | 68 | (65%) | 134 | (77%) |
| ***Which quality do you think***  ***is most important?*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Assertive | 12 | (5%) | 3 | (3%) | 9 | (6%) | 0.54 |
| Compassionate | 22 | (8%) | 5 | (5%) | 17 | (11%) | 0.17 |
| Involves | 88 | (34%) | 34 | (34%) | 54 | (33%) | 0.89 |
| Without input | 6 | (2%) | 5 | (5%) | 1 | (1%) | 0.03 |
| Understands sport and goals | 83 | (32%) | 32 | (32%) | 51 | (32%) | 0.89 |
| Individual | 24 | (9%) | 9 | (9%) | 15 | (9%) | 1.00 |
| Good listener | 16 | (6%) | 5 | (5%) | 11 | (7%) | 0.79 |
| Hear good things | 25 | (10%) | 9 | (9%) | 16 | (10%) | 1.00 |
| ***Would you prefer a male or***  ***female surgeon?*** |  |  |  |  |  |  | **0.005** |
| Male | 33 | (12%) | 26 | (25%) | 7 | (4%) |
| Female | 15 | (5%) | 1 | (1%) | 14 | (8%) |
| No preference | 229 | (83%) | 76 | (74%) | 153 | (88%) |
| ***Who chose the doctor you***  ***are seeing today?*** |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Child | 6 | (2%) | 1 | (1%) | 5 | (3%) |
| Parents | 178 | (65%) | 74 | (73%) | 104 | (61%) |
| Decided together | 89 | (33%) | 26 | (26%) | 63 | (37%) |
| ***Should the child be involved***  ***in the decision?*** |  |  |  |  |  |  | 0.07 |
| Yes | 263 | (95%) | 95 | (91%) | 168 | (97%) |