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D. Summary

Previous reports that have addressed issues pertaining to faculty recruitment and retention have generally been based on structured surveys of current faculty and the opinions of senior educators. Results from such studies cannot reflect the opinion of the spectrum of individuals in academia. Qualitative research using in-depth interviews with past, present, and future academics were conducted to determine as broadly as possible the perceptions of those involved in, or considering academic careers, as to the barriers to recruitment, retention, and success or failure in academia might be. Similarities and differences in the perceptions of groups at different career stages were detected. (Am J Orthod Dentofacial Orthop 2002;122:2-8).