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## Background

In New York City, Medicaid enrollees living with HIV/AIDS may be enrolled in a type of Medicaid managed care plan called a Special Needs Plan (SNP). These plans are designed to specifically address the needs of members living with HIV/AIDS by providing access to providers experienced in HIV/AIDS care and offering services specialized for HIV patients. Specialized services include care coordination between medical and other providers, promoting wellness, and treatment adherence services.

The Consumer Assessment of Healthcare Providers and Systems (CAHPS®) is a comprehensive tool designed to assess consumers' experience with health care and health plans. CAHPS® is the survey instrument that asks health plan members about experiences with access to care, health care providers and health plans. The New York State Department of Health (NYSDOH) sponsors a CAHPS survey every other year for the Medicaid managed care plans and uses the results to determine variation in member satisfaction among the plans.

DataStat, Inc. conducted the survey on behalf of the NYSDOH in 2013. The instrument used for the administration of the survey was the CAHPS® 5.0 Adult Medicaid core survey, developed and tested nationally for assessing the performance of health plans. While SNPs are a type of Medicaid managed care plan, the membership and plan requirements are significantly different from the mainstream plans. The administration of the SNP survey was conducted at the same time as the managed care plans, however results between the two plan types were analyzed separately for fair comparison.

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## Executive Summary

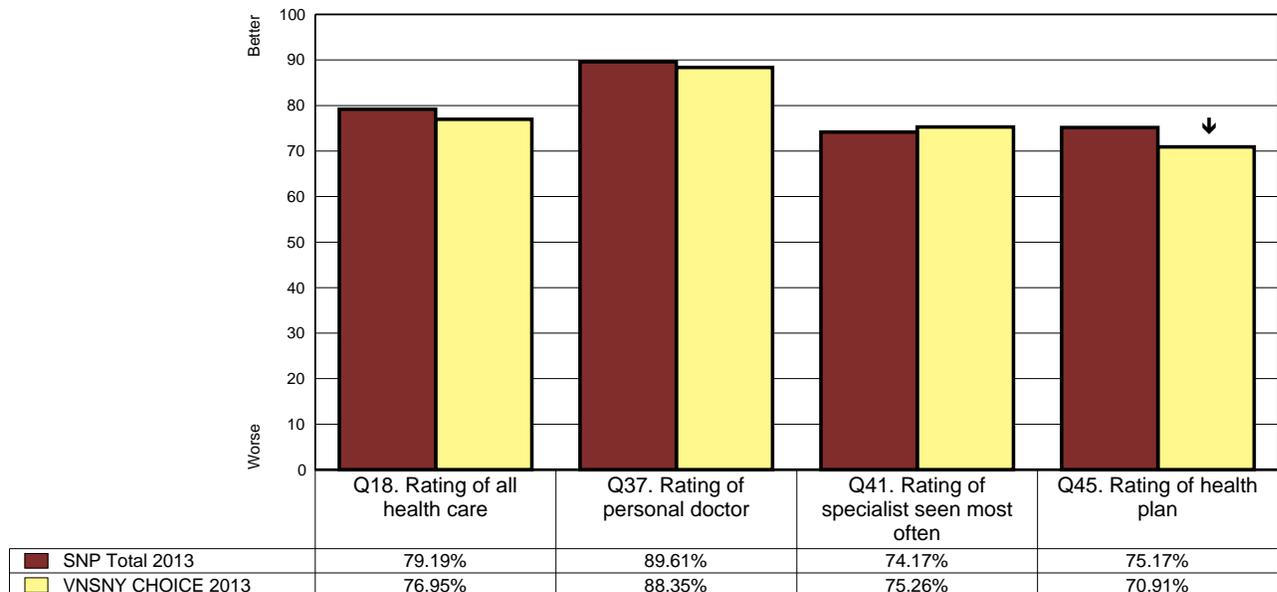
In New York, the CAHPS® survey is administered to Medicaid managed care plan members every other year. For the 2013 administration, the NYSDOH focused on adult members of Medicaid managed care plans as well as members in Special Needs Plans (SNPs). The SNP survey included three Medicaid SNPs in New York with a sample of 1,500 adults per plan. Surveys were sent to 4,500 members following a combined mail and phone methodology (four mailings, followed by phone follow-up of non-responders) during the period September 9, 2013 through December 2, 2013 using a standardized survey procedure and questionnaire. A total of 520 responses were received resulting in a 35.4% response rate. The disposition of surveys is contained at the end of this section.

Conclusions based on the information presented in this report should be tempered by a few caveats. First, for some survey items, relatively small numbers of responses may be available, due to skip patterns in the instrument. To provide the highest level of detailed reporting, results with less than 30 observations are included in the report. Conclusions based on analysis of fewer than 30 observations should be viewed with caution. Second, in some of the data presentations included in this report, correlation coefficients are computed to explore the relationship between different measures. High correlations, however, do not necessarily indicate causation. Finally, in many of the graphs and tables presented in this report, differences between the Statewide SNP average and individual SNPs are readily apparent. However, where these differences are not statistically significant they should be evaluated accordingly.

## Summary of Overall Rating Questions

Response options for overall rating questions ranged from 0 (worst) to 10 (best). In the table below, the achievement score represents the proportion of members who responded with a rating of 8, 9, or 10. Plan-level and SNP Total results are presented below. Plan-level scores are compared to the SNP Total for statistical significance.

Overall Rating Questions (8, 9 or 10)



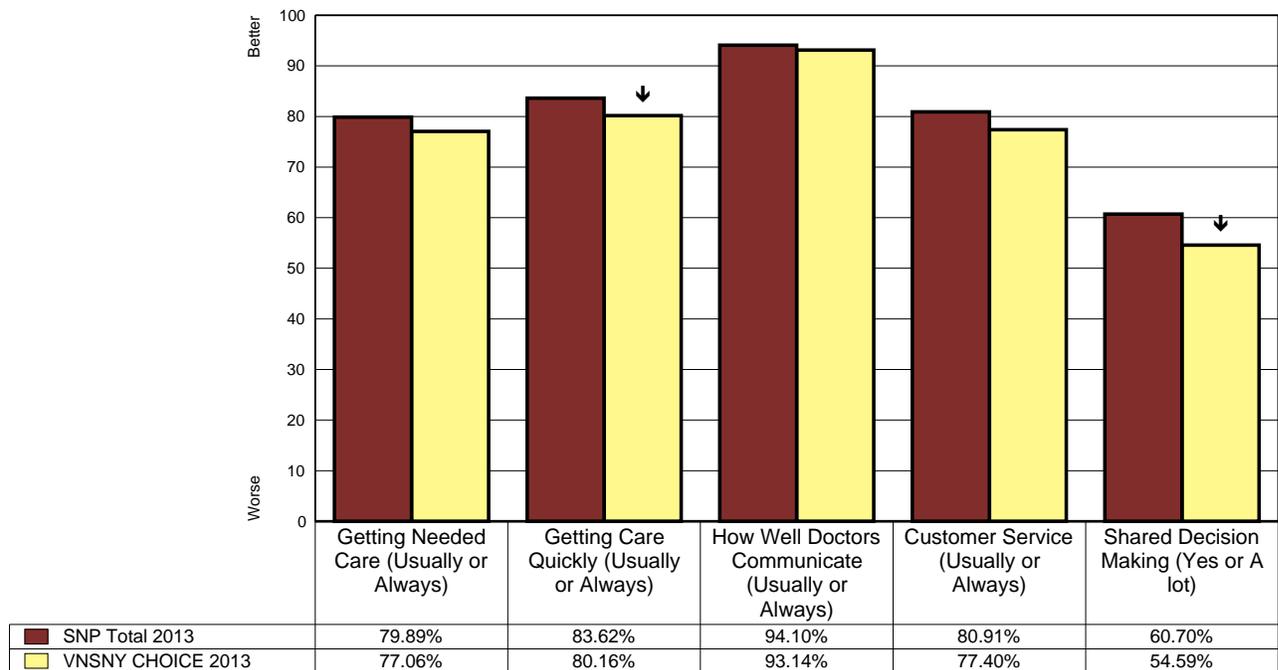
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### Summary of Composites

A composite score is calculated for each of five domains of member experience: Getting Needed Care, Getting Care Quickly, How Well Doctors Communicate, Customer Service and Shared Decision Making. Composite scores are intended to give a summary assessment of performance across the domain. Plan-level and SNP Total results are presented below. Plan-level scores are compared to the SNP Total for statistical significance.

The CAHPS® 5.0 Adult Medicaid core survey contains a revision to the Shared Decision Making composite (formerly named Collaborative Decision Making); the revised composite added one question and significantly altered the existing questions and response choices. Due to the significant revisions to the questions in the Shared Decision Making composite, the composite and the questions comprising it are not considered eligible for trend comparisons with the previous version, Collaborative Decision Making.

**Composites**



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## Key Measure Summary

### NYSDOH SNP Medicaid Managed Care Plans 2013

Plans	Getting Needed Care (Usually or Always)	Getting Care Quickly (Usually or Always)	How Well Doctors Communicate (Usually or Always)	Customer Service (Usually or Always)	Shared Decision Making (Yes or A lot)	Rating of all health care	Rating of personal doctor	Rating of specialist seen most often	Rating of health plan
<b>SNP Total</b>	80	84	94	81	61	79	90	74	75
Amidacare	83 ▲	86	94	82	63	80	90	72	75
MetroPlus Select Health	80	85	95	84	64	80	91	75	80 ▲
VNSNY CHOICE	77	80 ▼	93	77	55 ▼	77	88	75	71 ▼

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## Respondent Sample Profile

<b>Age (years)</b>	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
18 to 24	1.6%	1.5%
25 to 34	6.7%	6.3%
35 to 44	15.6%	16.7%
45 to 54	43.7%	40.4%
55 to 64	31.4%	33.8%
65 or older	1.0%	1.2%

<b>Gender</b>	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
Male	61.4%	60.2%
Female	38.6%	39.8%

<b>Highest grade or level of school completed</b>	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
8th grade or less	11.0%	9.7%
Some high school, but did not graduate	28.2%	28.0%
High school graduate or GED	28.4%	24.9%
Some college or 2-year degree	22.1%	24.3%
4-year college graduate	6.8%	8.5%
More than 4-year college graduate	3.6%	4.6%

<b>Hispanic or Latino</b>	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
Yes, Hispanic or Latino	43.5%	47.1%
No, Not Hispanic or Latino	56.5%	52.9%

<b>Race</b>	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
White	19.8%	21.2%
Black or African-American	50.6%	47.1%
Asian	1.5%	1.1%
Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific Islander	0.9%	1.3%
American Indian or Alaska Native	3.2%	3.8%
Other	28.5%	31.9%

<b>Rating of Overall Health</b>	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
Excellent	16.9%	15.4%
Very good	23.5%	23.9%
Good	32.8%	34.7%
Fair	22.4%	21.5%
Poor	4.3%	4.5%

## Sample Disposition

	SNP Total	VNSNY CHOICE
First mailing - sent	4,500	1,500
First mailing - usable survey returned*	1,057	333
Second mailing - sent	3,286	1,120
Second mailing - usable survey returned*	316	104
Phone - usable surveys*	276	83
<b>Total - usable surveys</b>	<b>1,649</b>	<b>520</b>
Ineligible: According to population criteria‡‡	45	23
Ineligible: Language barrier†	15	3
Ineligible: Deceased†	6	2
Ineligible: Mentally or physically unable to complete survey†	9	3
Bad address and bad phone number -OR- bad address AND no evidence of bad phone number	318	98
Refusal/Returned survey blank	80	32
Nonresponse - Unavailable by mail or phone	2,378	819
<b>Response Rate</b>	<b>37.3%</b>	<b>35.4%</b>

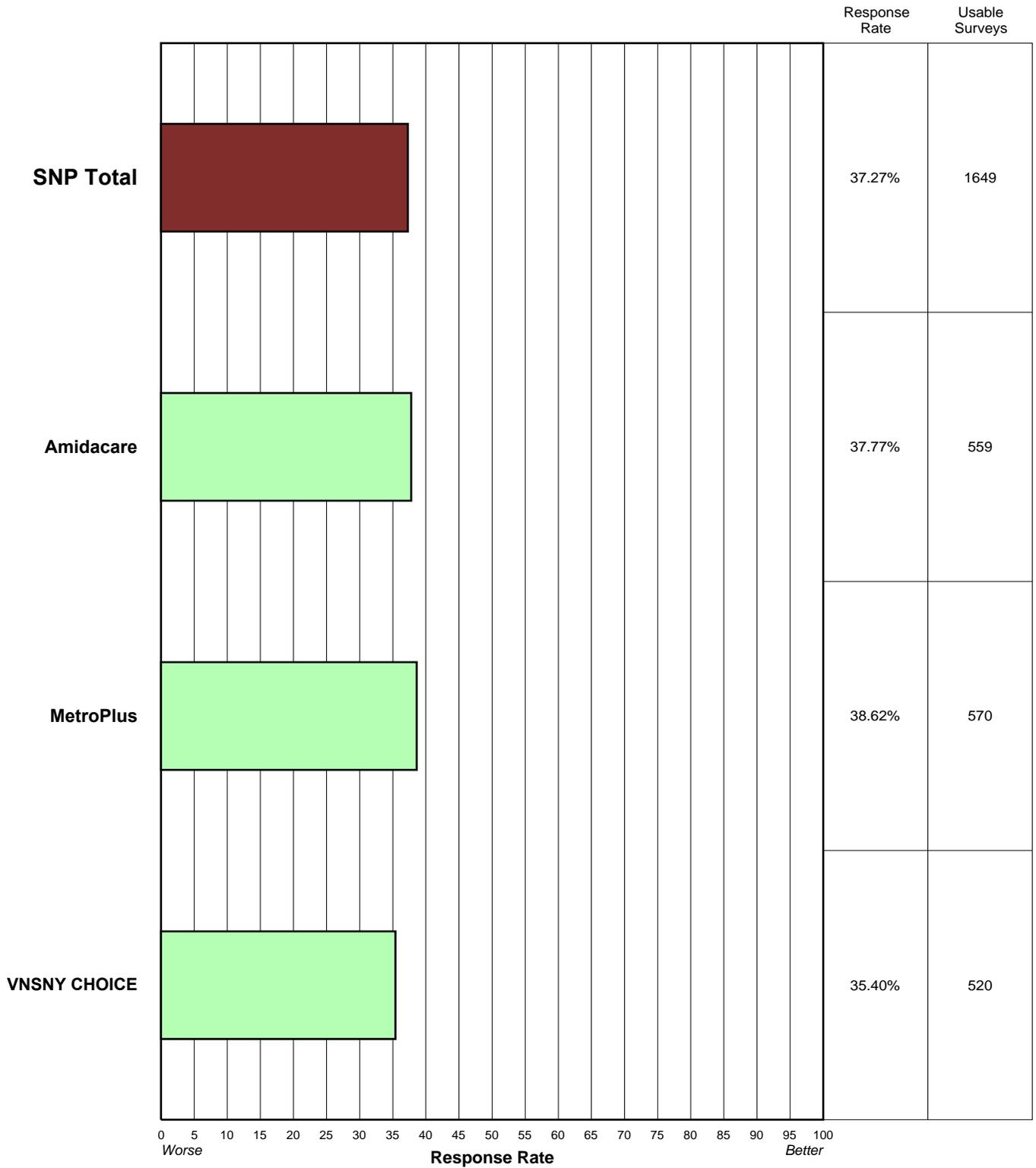
\*Included in response rate numerator

†Excluded from response rate denominator

‡Population criteria: The designated respondent must be a member of the managed care plan.

Note:  $Response\ Rate = Total\ Usable\ Surveys / Total\ Eligible\ Cases$

# Response Rates



■ SNP Total 2013     
 ■ Health Plans 2013

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## Methodology

The survey drew as potential respondents adults, ages 18 to 65, who were current members of NYS SNPs as of July 2013 and who had been enrolled for five out of the last six months. Respondents were surveyed in English or Spanish. The survey was administered over a thirteen-week period using a mixed-mode (mail and telephone) five-wave protocol. The five-wave protocol consisted of a pre-survey letter, first questionnaire packet, and reminder postcard to all selected members, followed by a second questionnaire packet to non-respondents and finally a phone follow-up to those who had not responded to the mailings.

### Survey Milestones

1. Pre-survey letters mailed: September 9, 2013
2. 1st questionnaire packets mailed: September 16, 2013
3. Reminder postcards mailed: September 25, 2013
4. 2nd questionnaire packets mailed: October 21, 2013
5. Phone field opened: November 11, 2013
6. Mail and phone field closed: December 2, 2013

### Sampling Frame

A random sample of 1500 adults ages 18-64 was drawn for each of the SNPs. To be eligible, individuals had to be current members who were continuously enrolled in the SNP for at least five out of the last six months as of July 2013.

### Questionnaire

The instrument selected for the survey, the CAHPS® 5.0 Adult Medicaid core survey, was developed and tested nationally for use in assessing the performance of health plans. The majority of questions addressed domains of member experience such as getting care quickly, doctor communication, overall satisfaction with health care and with the health plan. The survey was expanded to include 17 supplemental questions addressing areas of particular interest to the NYSDOH. Rounding out the survey was a set of questions collecting demographic data. In total, the survey instrument consisted of 67 questions. A copy of the modified CAHPS® questionnaire can be found in Appendix A.

### Selection of Cases for Analysis

Surveys were considered complete if respondents did not say 'No' to Question 1 (Our records show that you are now in [HEALTH PLAN NAME]. Is that right?) and if they provided a valid response to at least one question. Complete interviews were obtained from 1,649 NYSDOH Medicaid SNP members, and the overall project response rate was 37.3%.

### Definition of Achievement Scores

Member responses to survey questions are summarized as achievement scores. Responses that indicate a positive experience are labeled as achievements, and an achievement score is computed equal to the proportion of responses qualifying as achievements. Since achievement scores for survey questions represent the proportion of enrollees who indicate a positive experience, the lower the achievement score, the greater the need for improvement. See the *Responses by Question* section for assignment of achievement responses for each question.

In general, somewhat positive responses are included with positive responses as achievements. Responses of "Yes" and "A lot" are considered achievements for the Shared Decision Making composite. For all other composites, responses of "Usually" or "Always" are considered achievements, as are responses of "8", "9", or "10" to ratings questions.

## Composites

Five composite scores summarize responses in key areas: Getting Needed Care, Getting Care Quickly, How Well Doctors Communicate, Customer Service, and Shared Decision Making. The achievement score for the composite is the average of the achievement scores for the individual items comprising a composite. Following is a list of the questions that comprise each composite:

### Getting Needed Care

- Q19. Usually or always got care, tests or treatment you thought you needed
- Q39. Usually or always get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed

### Getting Care Quickly

- Q4. Usually or always got care right away as soon as you needed
- Q7. Usually or always got an appt. for check-up or routine care as soon as you needed

### How Well Doctors Communicate

- Q28. Personal doctor usually or always explained things in way that was easy to understand
- Q29. Personal doctor usually or always listened carefully to you
- Q30. Personal doctor usually or always showed respect for what you had to say
- Q31. Personal doctor usually or always spent enough time with you

### Customer Service

- Q43. Health plan's customer service usually or always gave needed information or help
- Q44. Usually or always treated with courtesy and respect by health plan's customer service staff

### Shared Decision Making

- Q12. Doctor/provider talked a lot about the reasons you might want to take a medicine
- Q13. Doctor/provider talked a lot about the reasons you might not want to take a medicine
- Q14. Doctor/provider asked what you thought was best for you

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## Correlation to Satisfaction

To understand the relationship between performance and satisfaction in particular areas of member experience, correlations are computed between responses to the question items comprising the five composites and each of the ratings questions. The specific correlation computed is Pearson's Correlation Coefficient, which takes on values between -1 to 1. Correlation scores are presented in the *Correlation Analysis* section.

## Comparisons: Current Year

Current year comparisons are found in the *Executive Summary* and *Graphs* sections. In both sections plan achievement scores are compared to the SNP Total, with statistical testing. The *Executive Summary* presents results for Rating Items and Composites while the *Graphs* section compares all participating SNPs for each performance measure.

## Statistical Testing

Statistically significant differences between scores were determined using t-tests. A significance level of .05 or less was considered statistically significant and "↑" or "↓" is placed at the top of the appropriate bar or next to the appropriate achievement score.

## Case-Mix Analysis

The results presented in this report are case-mix adjusted to control for differences in the member population across SNPs. The results for 2013 are case-mix adjusted for age (Q62), health status (Q49) and education (Q64). Case-mix adjustment is applied to mitigate the effect of differences in individual plan's member population. The variables chosen for case-mix adjustment are beyond the control of the SNP and have been shown to affect SNP and health care ratings. For example, individuals with higher levels of education generally rate lower for satisfaction. Details about the distribution of populations in categories for the three adjusters can be seen in the *Respondent Sample Profile* contained in the *Executive Summary* section.

## Using this Report

### Understanding Achievement Scores

This report is designed to assist the NYSDOH and participating health plans in identifying key opportunities to improve members' experiences. Member responses to survey questions are summarized as achievement scores. Responses that indicate a positive experience are labeled as achievements, and an achievement score is computed as the proportion of responses qualifying as positive. Responses of "Yes" and "A lot" are considered achievements for the Shared Decision Making composite. For all other composites, responses of "Usually" or "Always" are considered achievements. For example, a response of "Usually" or "Always" to the question "How often did you get care as soon as you thought you needed?" is considered a positive response, and the achievement score for this question is equal to the proportion of respondents who answered the question with "Usually" or "Always". Because achievement scores for survey questions are computed as the proportion of members who indicate a positive experience, the lower the achievement score, the greater the need to improve.

Achievement scores are computed and reported for all pertinent survey questions. In addition, composite scores are built from groups of survey questions that make up broad domains of members' experience: Getting Needed Care, Getting Care Quickly, How Well Doctors Communicate, Customer Service, and Shared Decision Making.

### Understanding the Sections of the Report

The CAHPS® survey results are presented here in a format that is optimized for use in practical decision-making. Specifically, these reports can:

1. Assist the NYSDOH and health plans in identifying strengths and weaknesses in quality of health care, access and services, and
2. Provide the NYSDOH and health plans with a way to assess where resources can best be allocated to improve experiences.

The remainder of the report is broken into three major sections that are briefly described here to help you make the best use of the report and the information it contains.

#### *Rating Questions, Composites, Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation, Aspirin Use and Discussion, Single Items and Supplemental Questions*

This section contains a graphic presentation of the SNP Total and plan-specific results for each question using the achievement scores. Statistical significance, the achievement score, and the number of respondents for each plan are displayed. This depicts plan-specific performance compared to the SNP Total and peers. The composites are directly followed by the individual questions in the composite for more detailed information.

The Aspirin Use and Discussion measure assesses different facets of aspirin use in the primary prevention of cardiovascular disease. The measure is based on two questions, one assessing current aspirin use, and the other asking whether a health provider discussed the risks and benefits of taking aspirin to prevent heart attack or stroke.

The Aspirin Use component includes members in certain risk factor categories who could safely take aspirin (based on the response to Q57), had no cardiovascular disease exclusion (based on the response to Q60), and who answered Q56. The rate represents the proportion of these members who indicated they take aspirin daily or every other day.

The Discussing Aspirin Risks and Benefits component includes members in certain age/gender categories who had no cardiovascular disease exclusion (based on the response to Q60), and who answered Q58. The rate represents the proportion of these members who indicated that a health provider had discussed the risks and benefits of aspirin with them.

### *Correlation Analysis*

The Correlation Analysis section is helpful in understanding how satisfaction in various questions relates to the four general rating questions (personal doctor, specialist seen most often, all health care, and health plan) for respondents. The tables show which questions are most strongly linked to the rating and the current achievement score. The information helps define what areas are related to satisfaction and how the plan performed in that area. The section enables a quick view of how composite questions correlate across ratings.

The correlation analyses are presented two ways. First there are correlations of 13 composite questions to the four rating questions ranked by the highest correlation between the question and rating. This allows a visual picture of clustering of composites across ratings. The second analysis presents the proportion of responses in each response option for each composite question for each individual rating. This lets you see where there may be an opportunity for improvement. For example, if a question correlates highly and has higher proportions of "usually" and "sometimes", improving the processes may move respondents up to "always" to improve not only that composite, but the other rating questions.

### *Responses by Question*

This section provides a breakdown for each question with the number of members responding to the question and the distribution for each available response option. For each question that has responses determined to be positive or negative, there is a colored circle indicating achievement or room for improvement. The circles are based on the response category and are not indicative of areas the plan needs to improve necessarily. For example, "Always" and "Usually" are achievement and "Sometimes" and "Never" are room for improvement. Similarly on a rating question, 8, 9, or 10 are achievement and 0 through 7 are room for improvement. Questions without a colored circle indicate the question is not associated with this type of response determination. For example, asking whether a member needed a service in the past six months does not have an associated achievement related to it. This section provides additional information about volume of members to help you prioritize areas to be addressed.

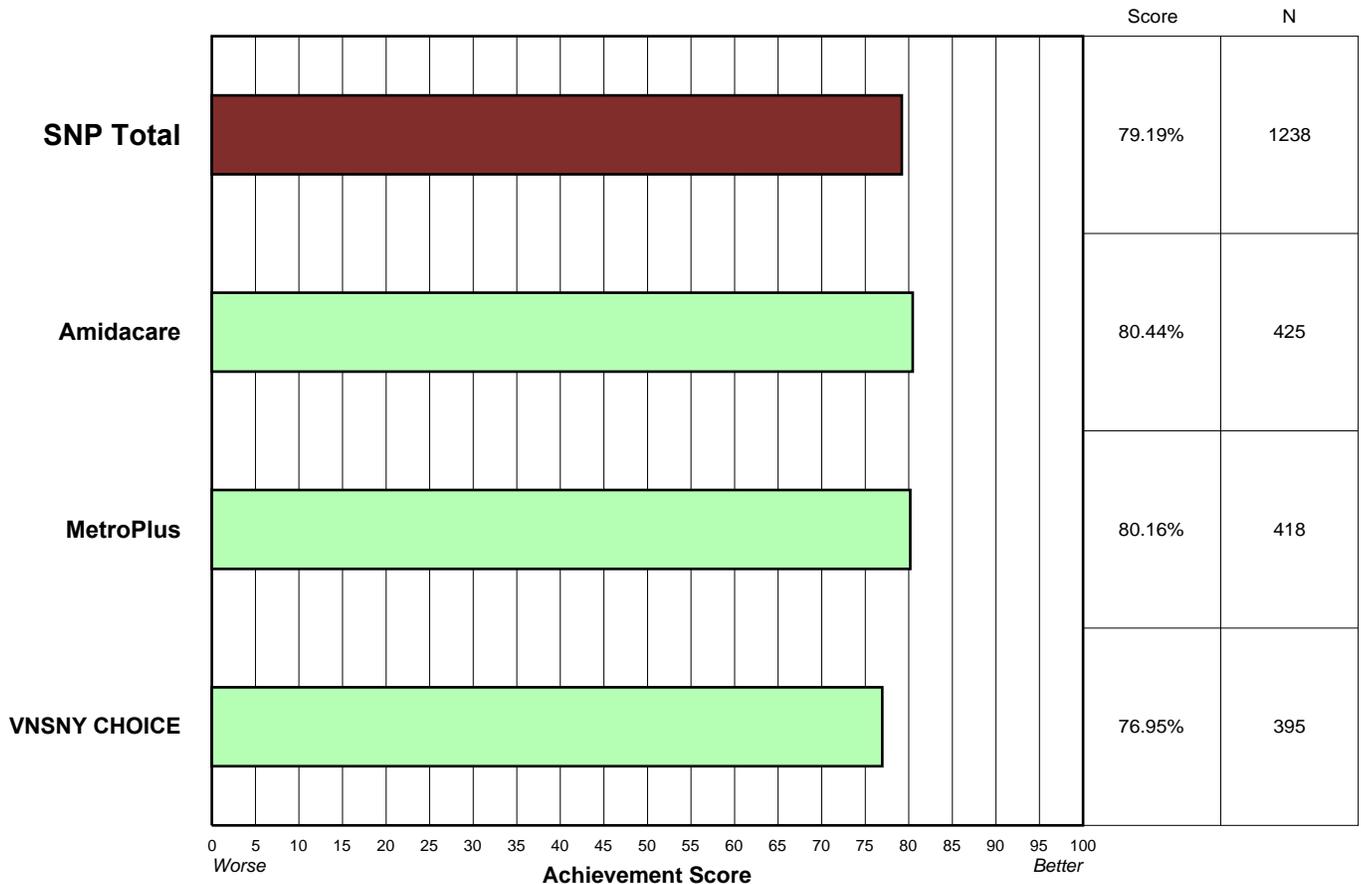
When applicable, each question is represented with the composite name, the achievement score, the correlation value and trend information. The achievement scores are case-mix adjusted while data for each response option are not case-mix adjusted.

## Overall Ratings

The CAHPS® 5.0 survey uses a 0-10 rating for assessing overall experience with personal doctors, specialists, health care and health plans. In the following four graphs, proportions of respondents assigning ratings of 8, 9, or 10 are reported as achievement scores.

For each rating graph, plan-level and SNP Total results are presented and plan scores are compared to the SNP Total for statistical significance.

### Q18. Rating of all health care (8, 9 or 10)

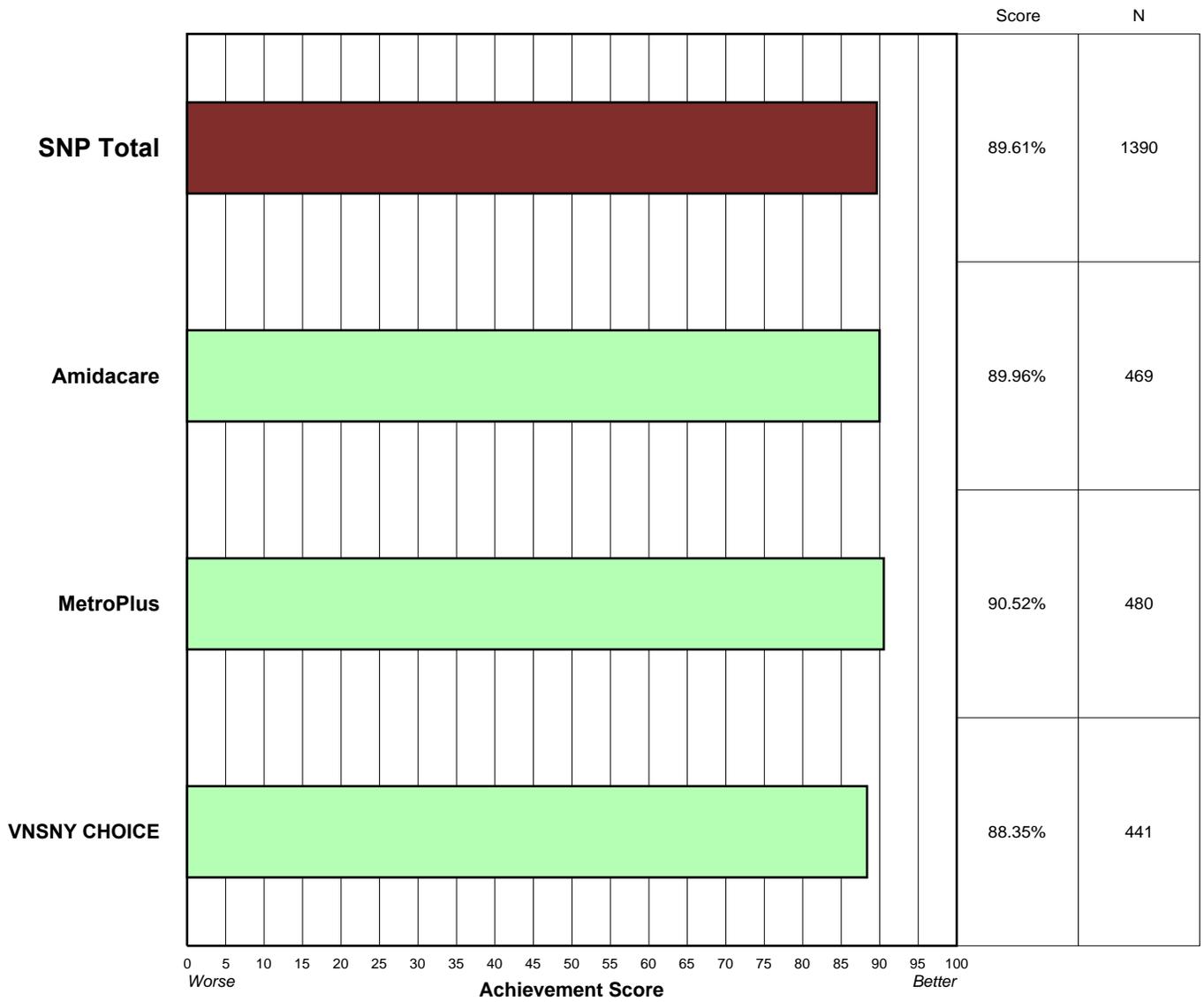


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## Overall Ratings

### Q37. Rating of personal doctor (8, 9 or 10)

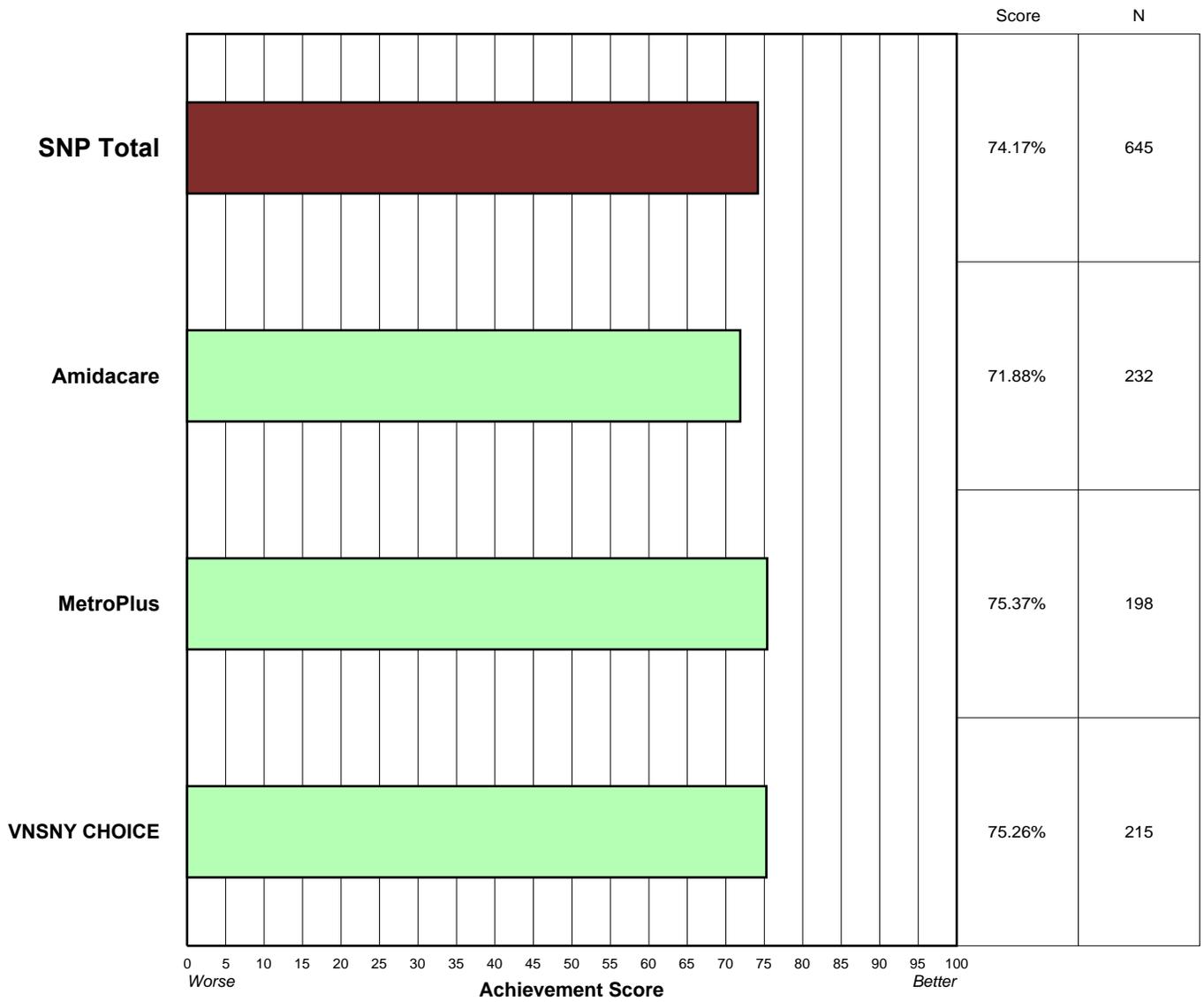


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### Overall Ratings

#### Q41. Rating of specialist seen most often (8, 9 or 10)

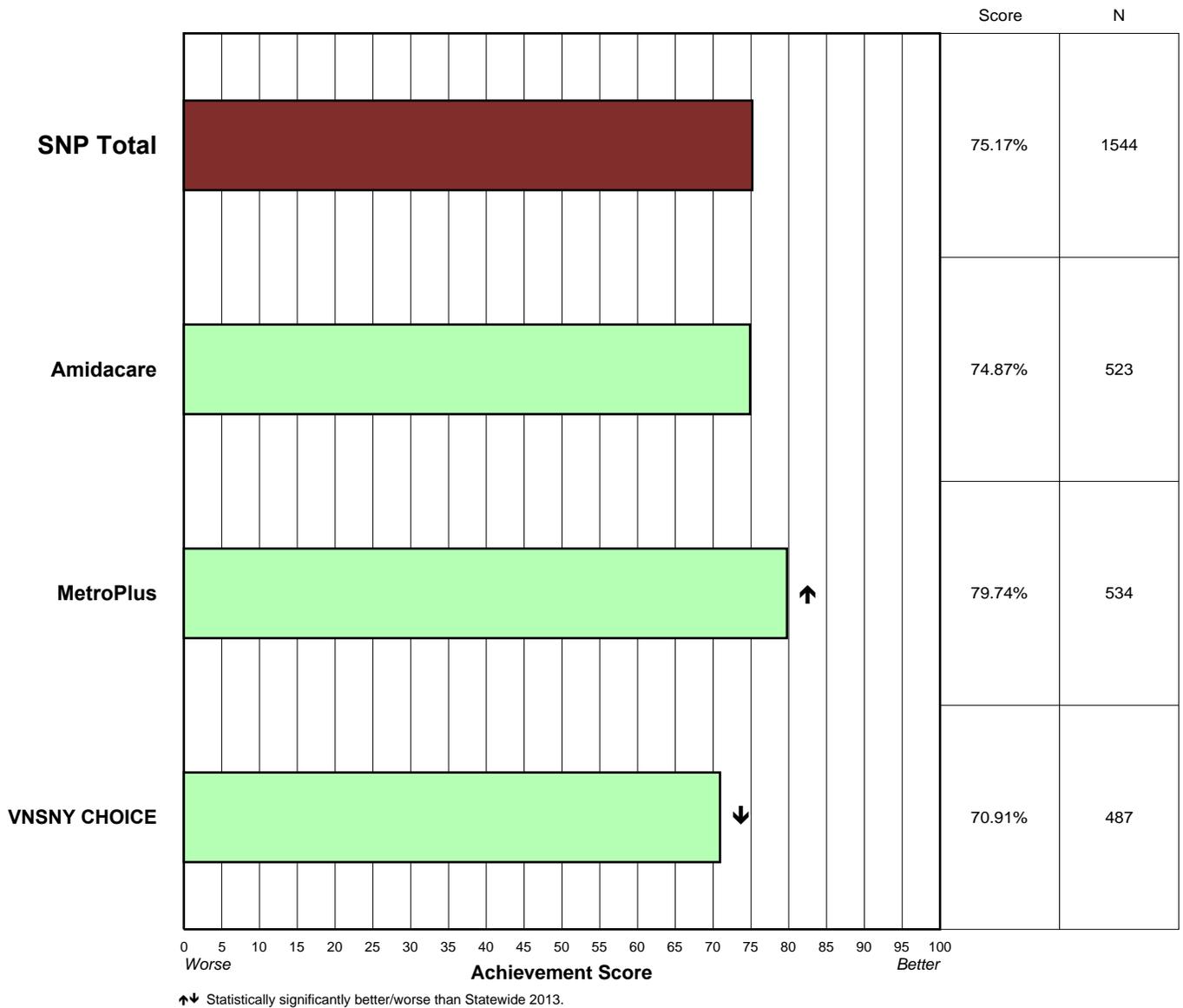


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## Overall Ratings

### Q45. Rating of health plan (8, 9 or 10)



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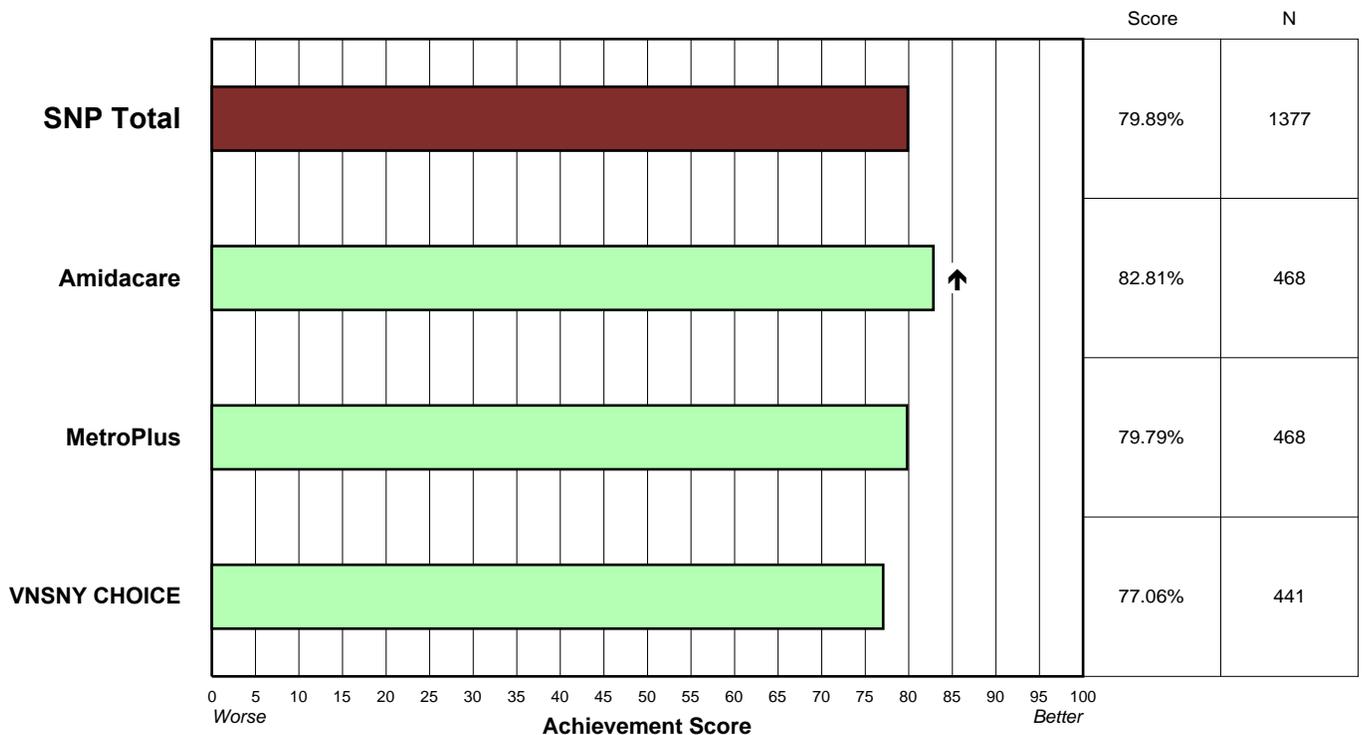
## Composites

Questions that relate to the same broad domain of performance are grouped together for the purpose of reporting. For example, the domain "Getting Care Quickly" includes questions about how soon appointments were scheduled. Composite achievement scores reflect responses of "Usually" or "Always" for the first four composites. Responses of "Yes" and "A lot" are considered achievements for the Shared Decision Making composite.

For each graph, plan-level and SNP Total results are presented and plan-level scores are compared to the SNP Total for statistical significance.

For full detail of response options for each question and which responses qualify as achievements, please refer to the *Responses by Question* section.

### Getting Needed Care (Usually or Always)

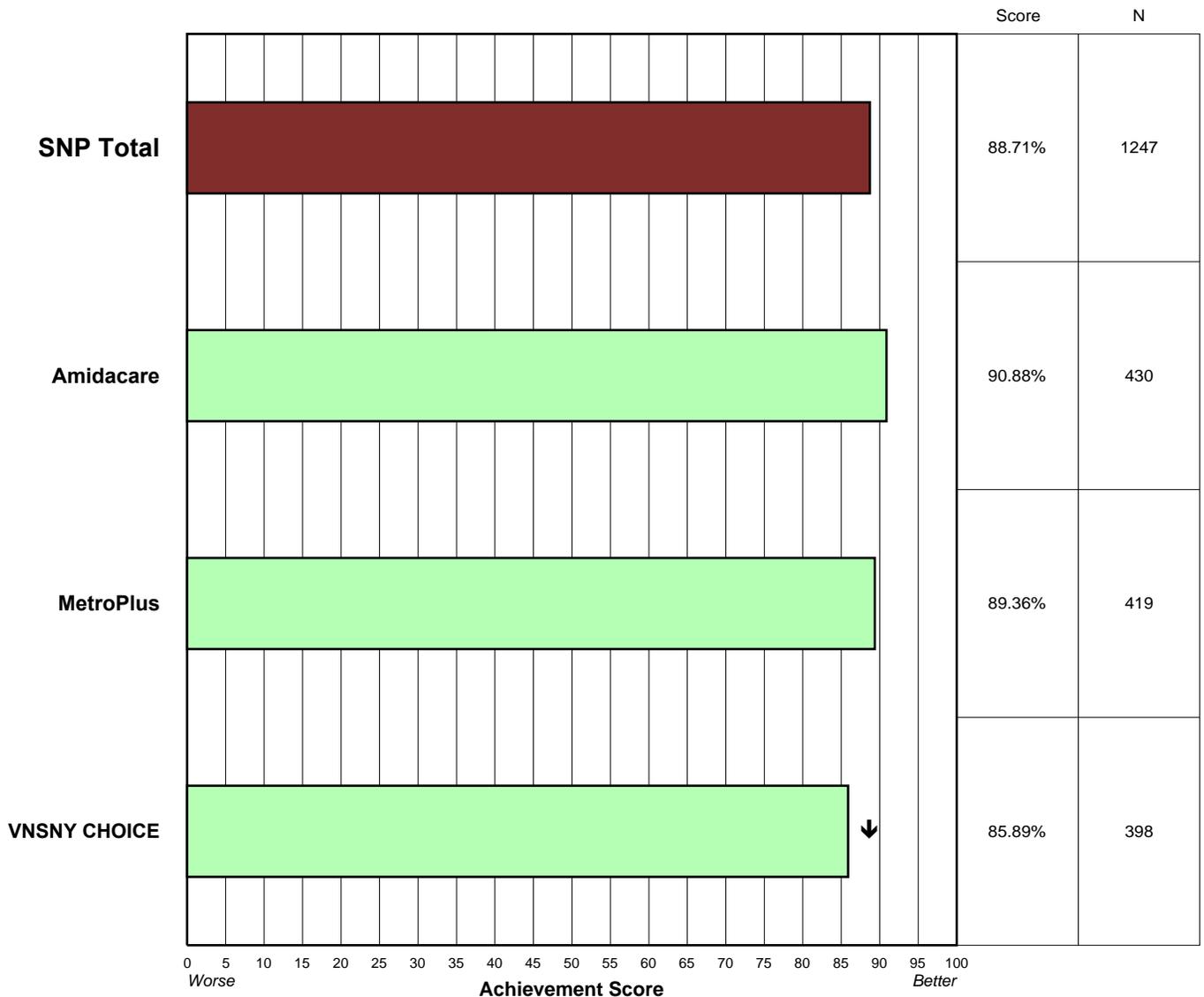


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## Getting Needed Care (Usually or Always)

### Q19. Usually or always got care, tests or treatment you thought you needed

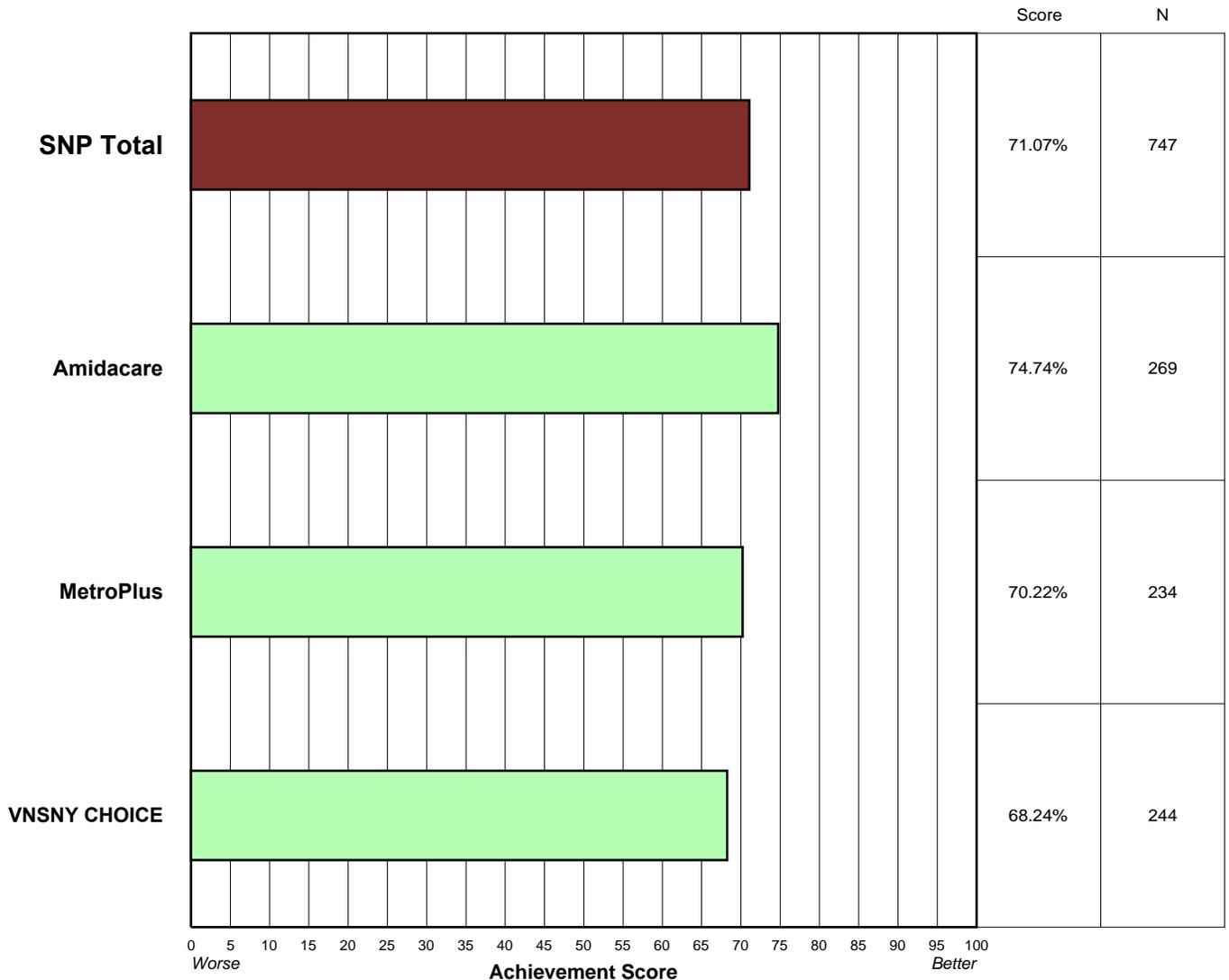


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## Getting Needed Care (Usually or Always)

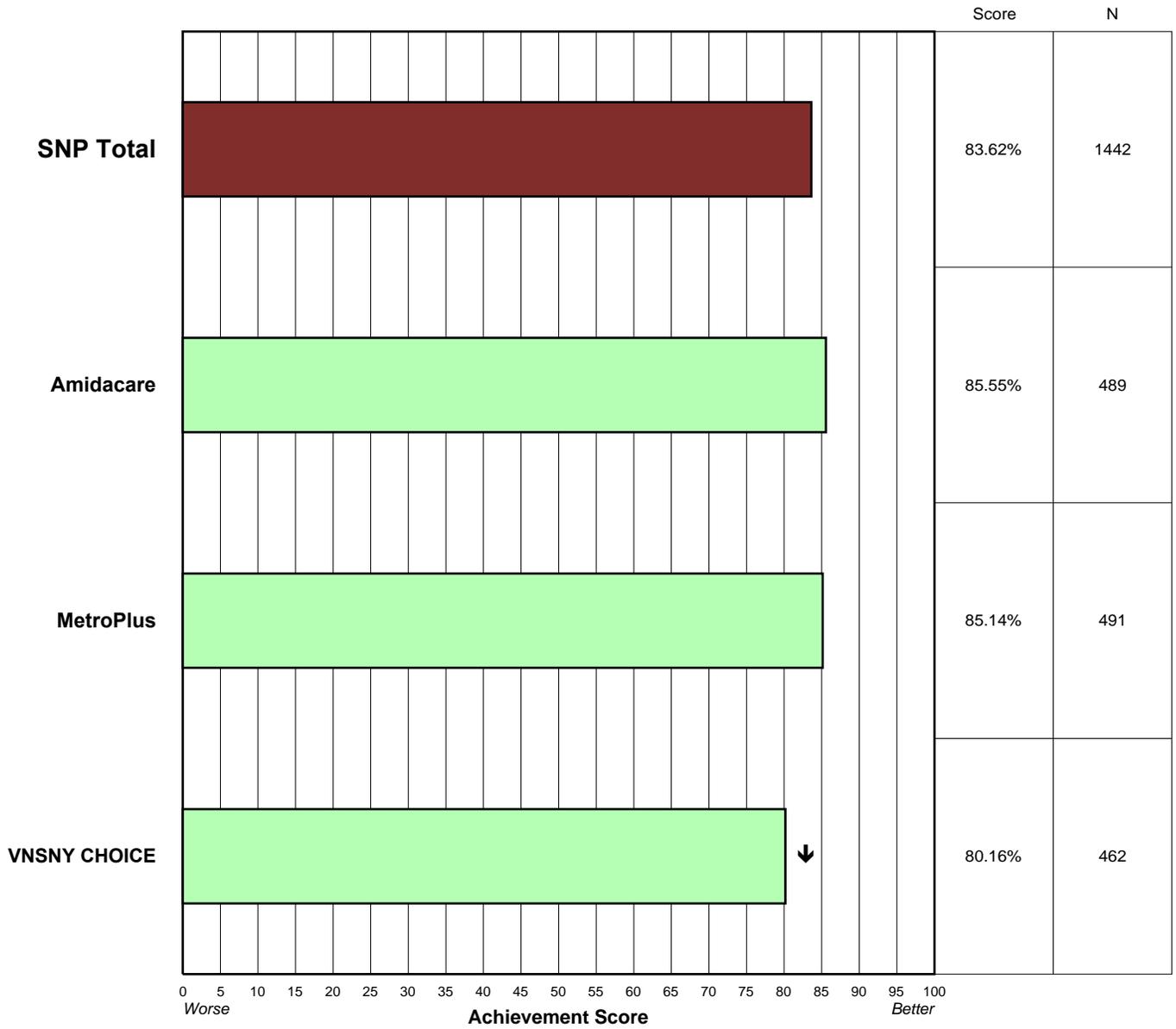
**Q39. Usually or always get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed**



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### Getting Care Quickly (Usually or Always)

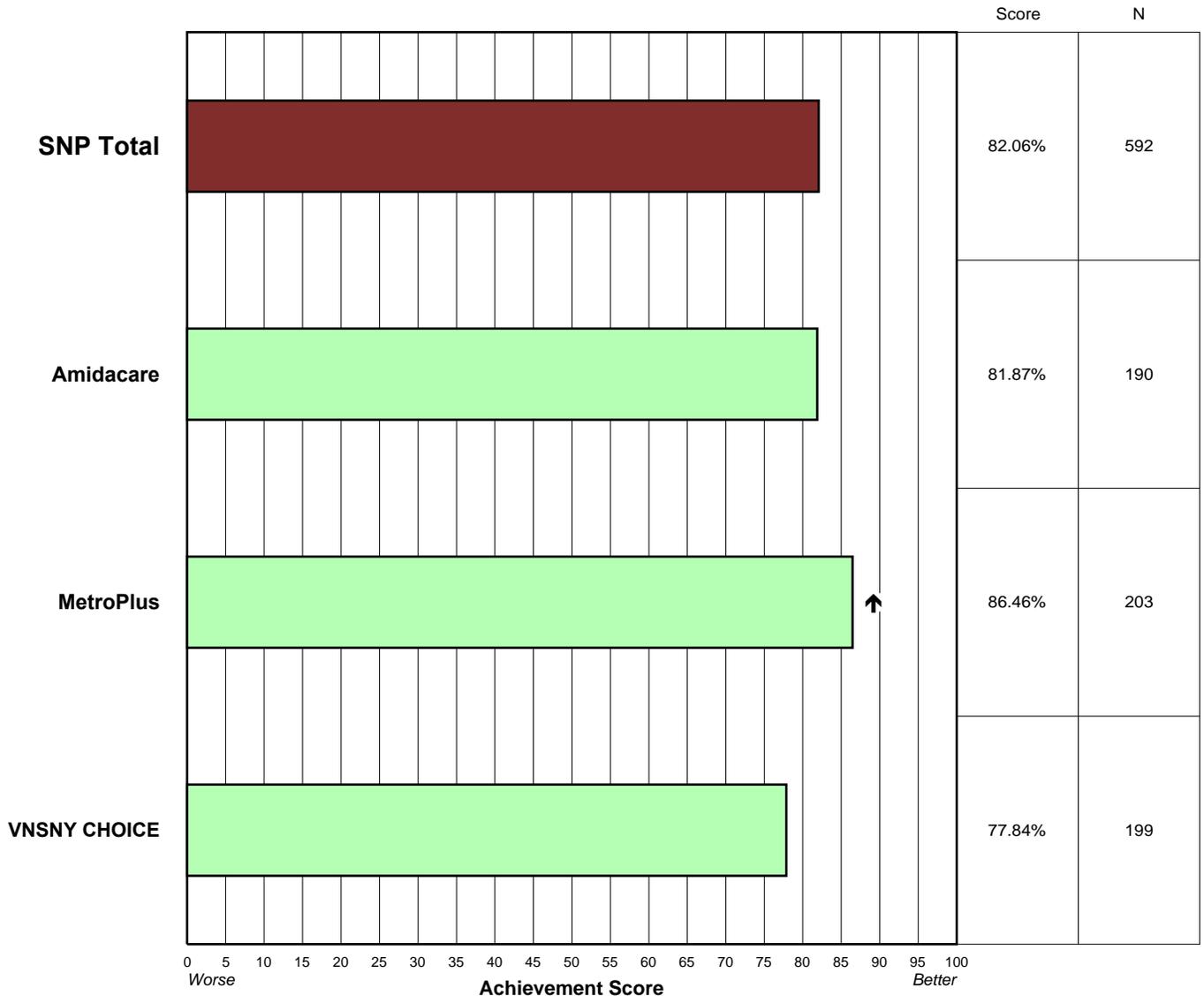


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## Getting Care Quickly (Usually or Always)

### Q4. Usually or always got care right away as soon as you needed

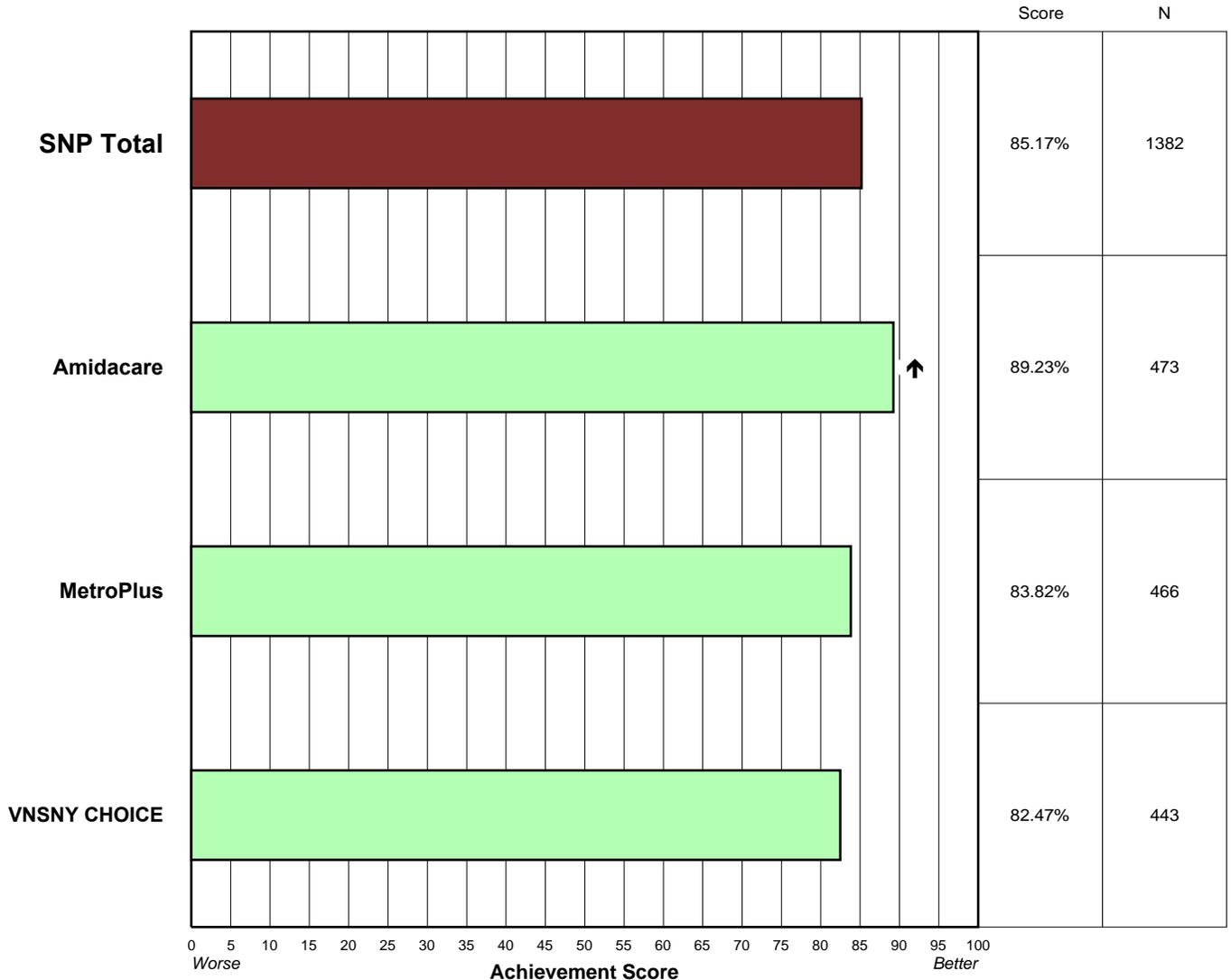


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## Getting Care Quickly (Usually or Always)

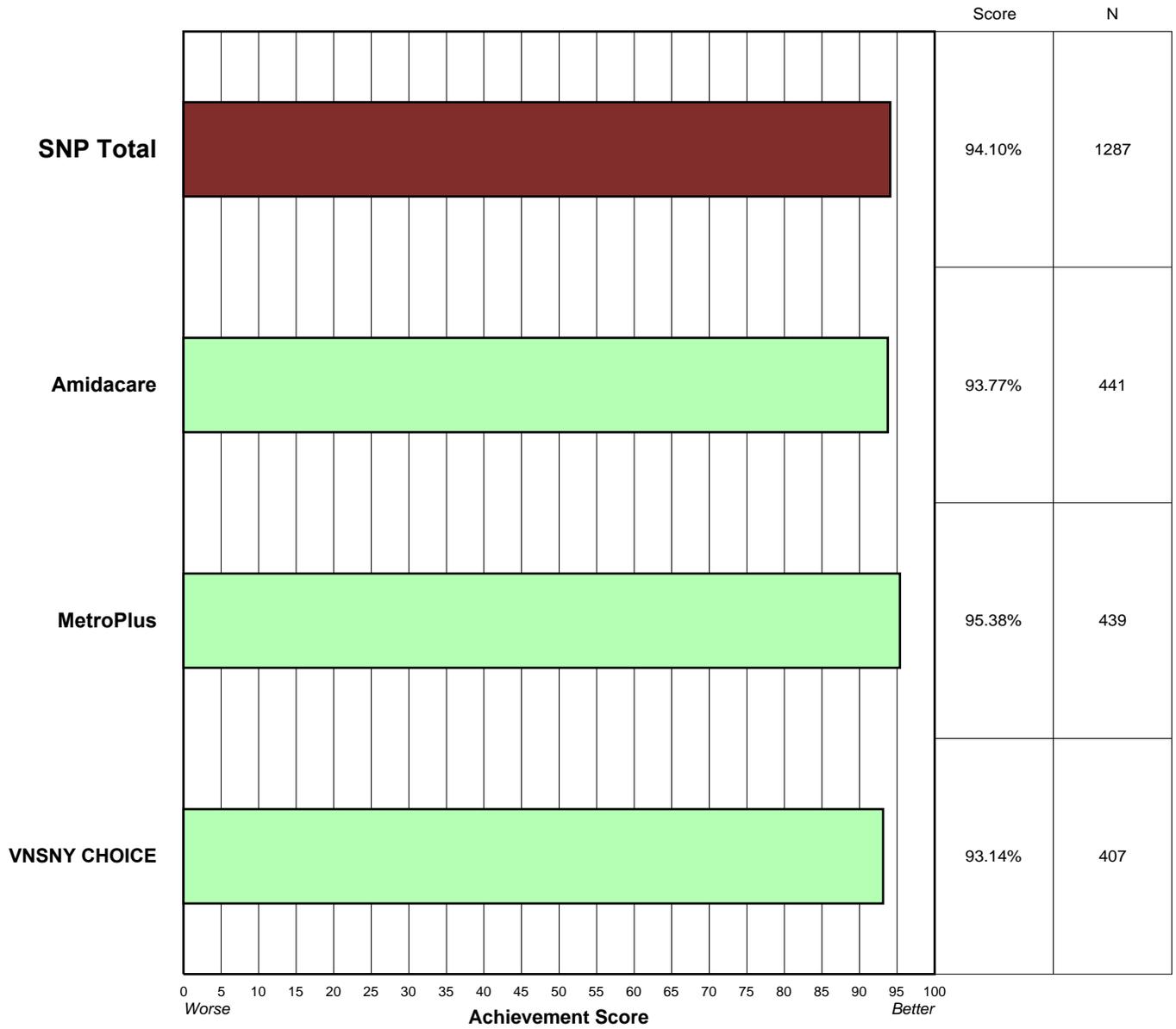
Q7. Usually or always got an appt. for check-up or routine care as soon as you needed



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## How Well Doctors Communicate (Usually or Always)

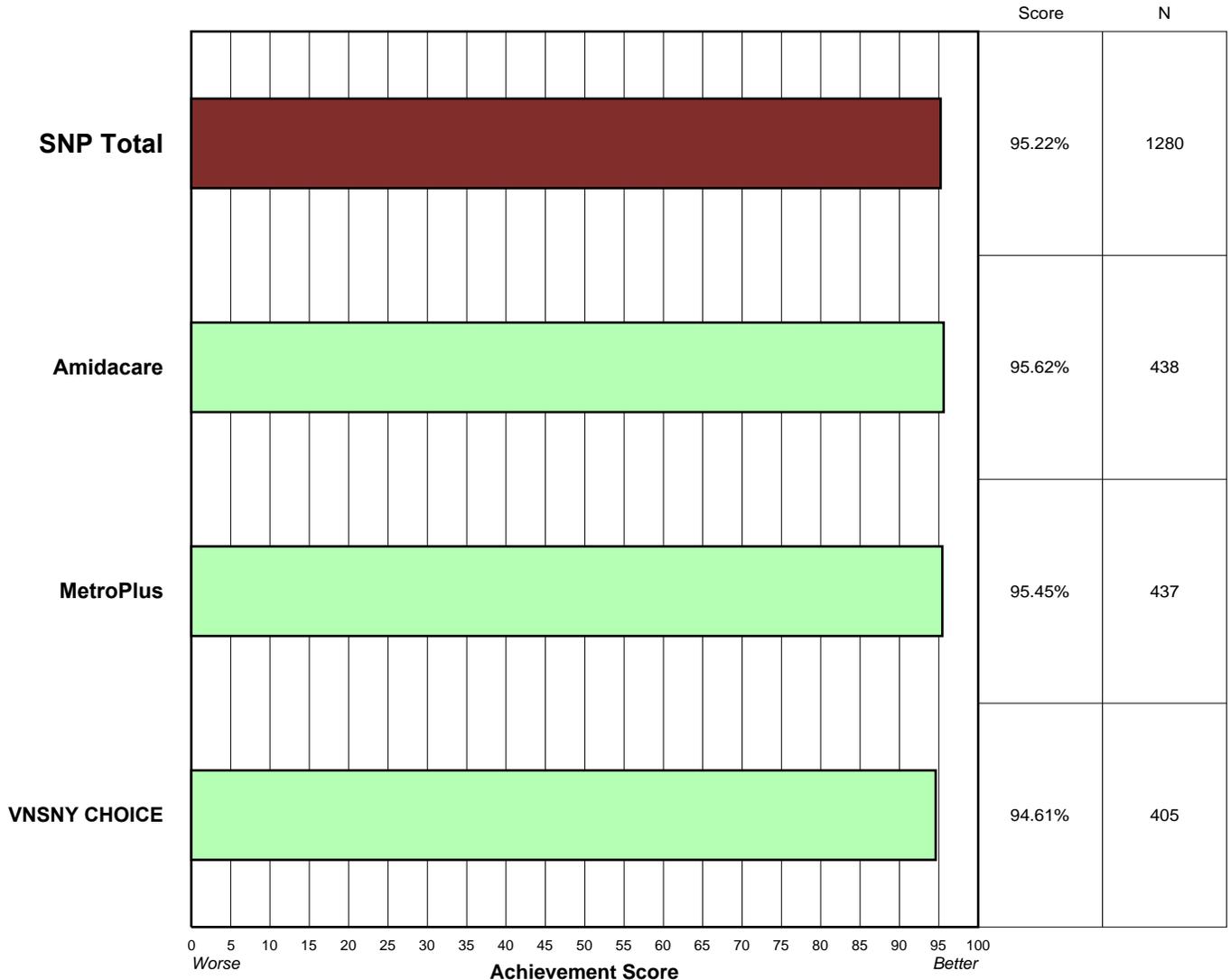


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## How Well Doctors Communicate (Usually or Always)

**Q28. Personal doctor usually or always explained things in way that was easy to understand**

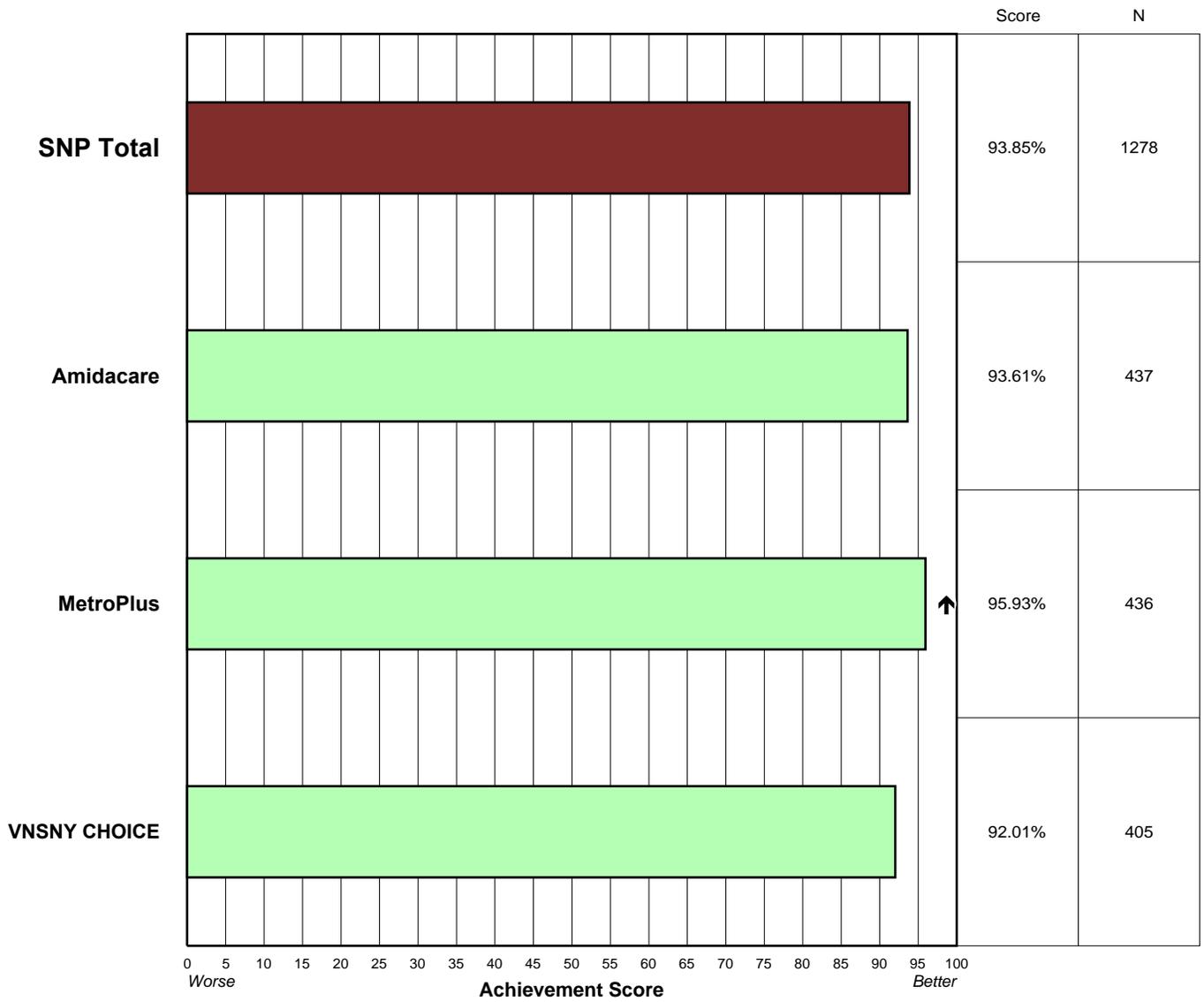


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## How Well Doctors Communicate (Usually or Always)

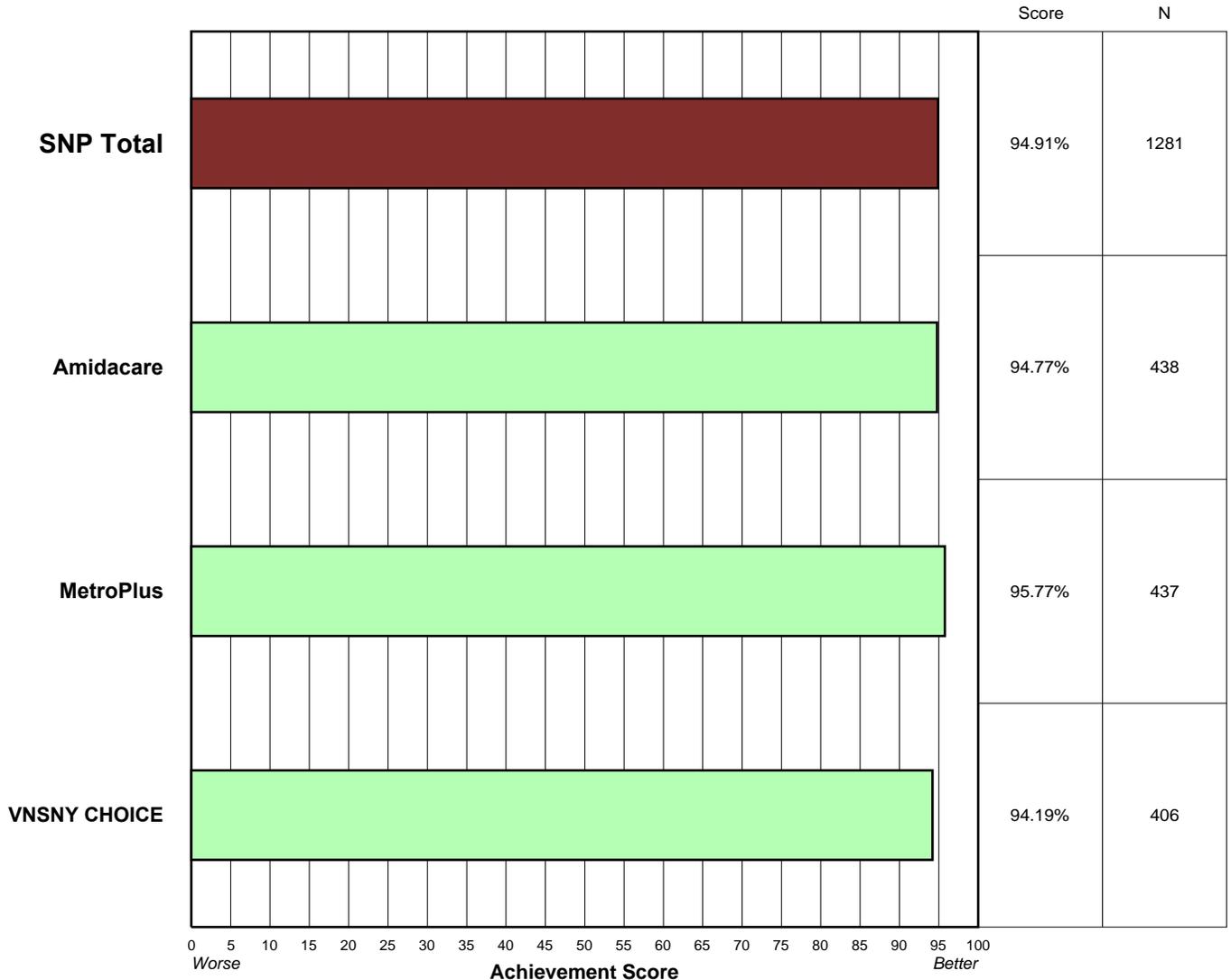
### Q29. Personal doctor usually or always listened carefully to you



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## How Well Doctors Communicate (Usually or Always)

**Q30. Personal doctor usually or always showed respect for what you had to say**

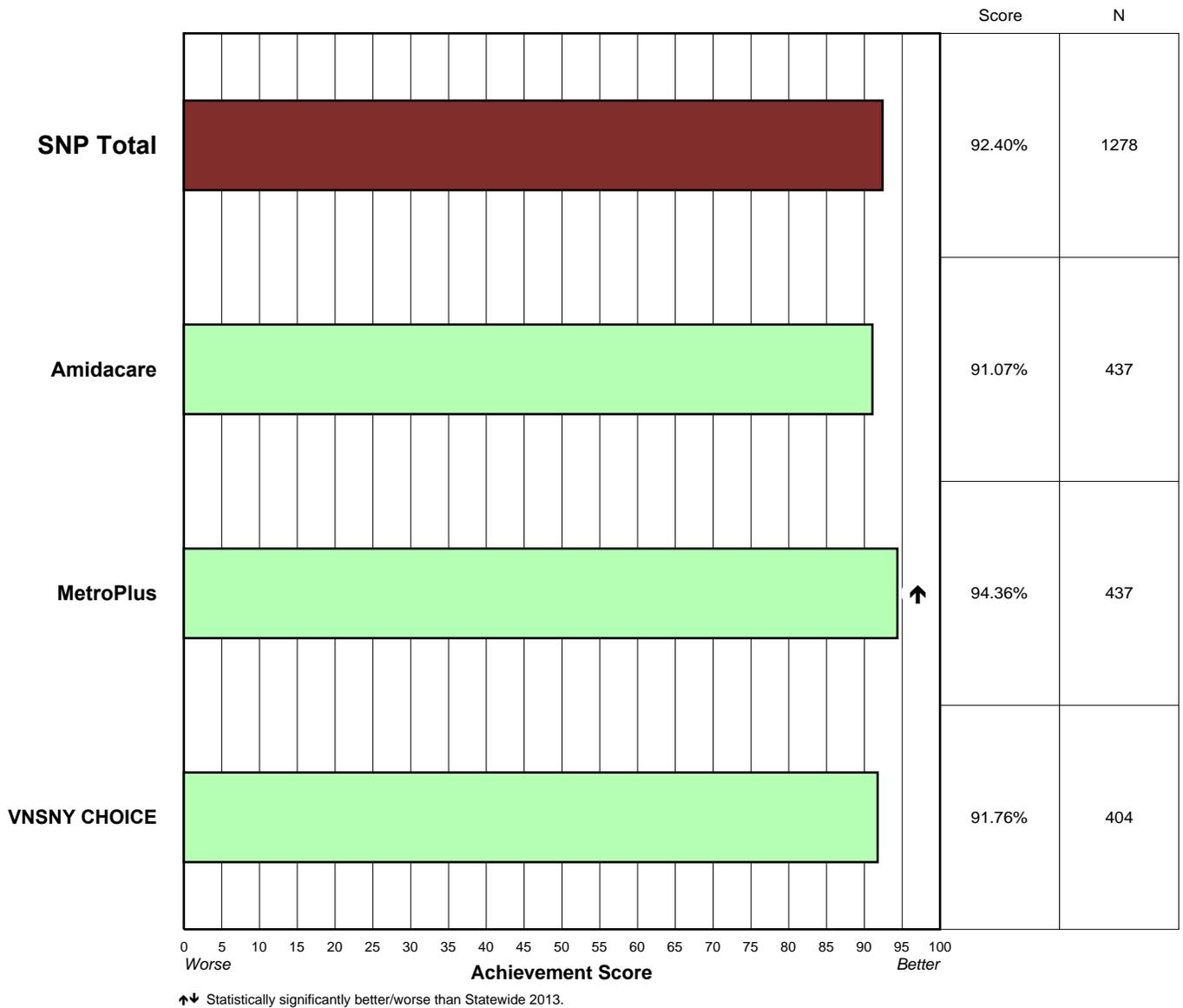


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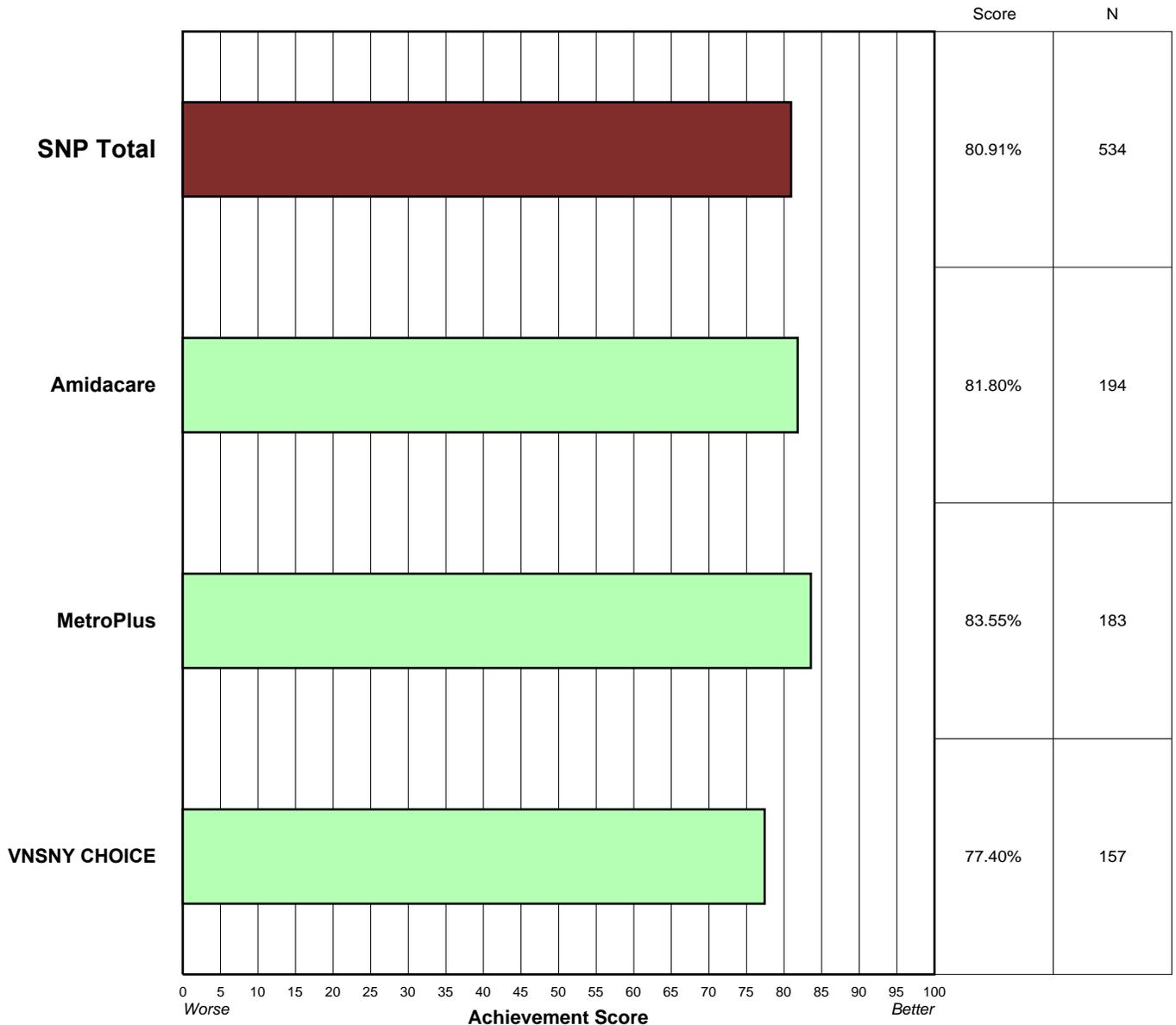
## How Well Doctors Communicate (Usually or Always)

### Q31. Personal doctor usually or always spent enough time with you



SNP Total 2013  
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### Customer Service (Usually or Always)

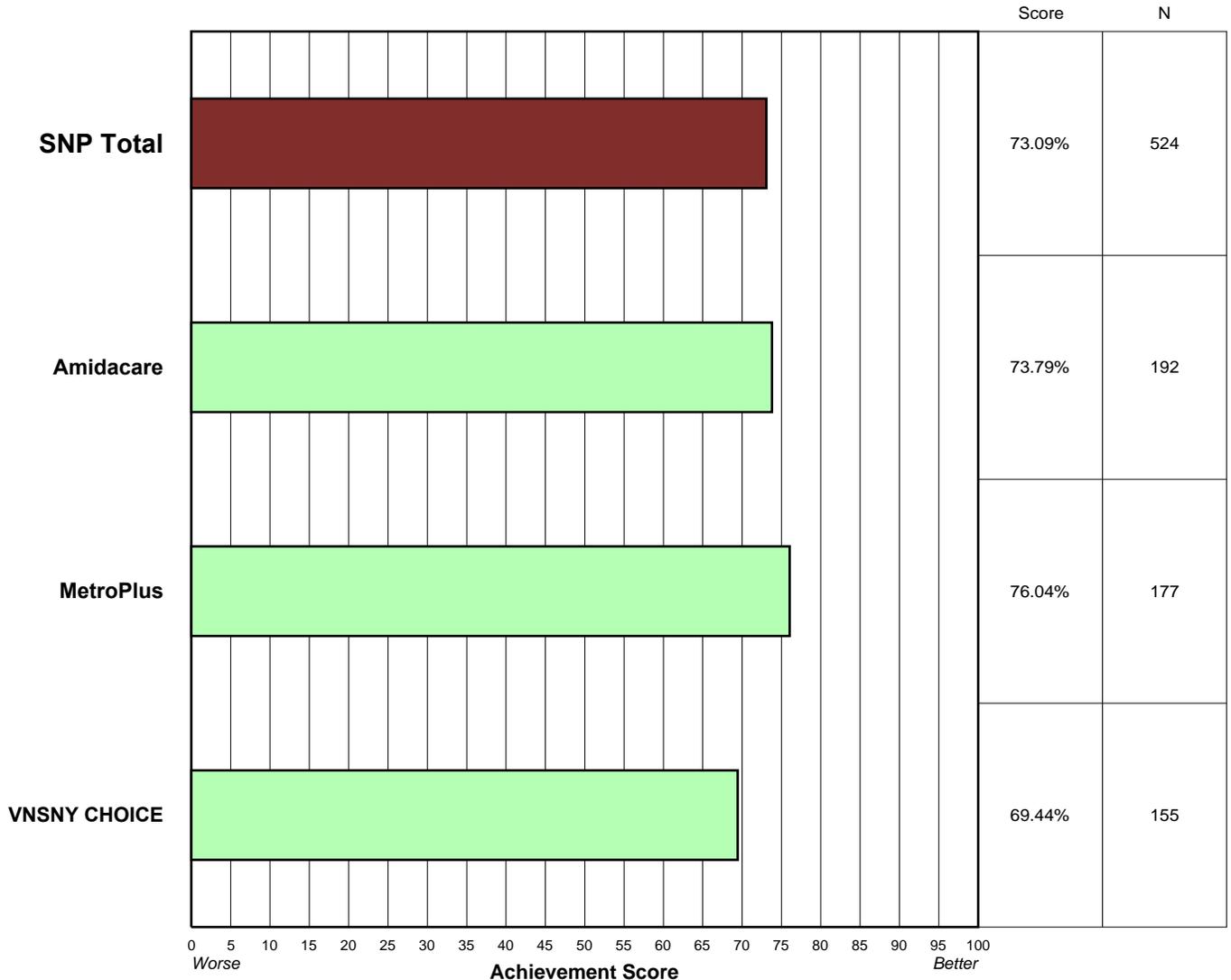


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### Customer Service (Usually or Always)

**Q43. Health plan's customer service usually or always gave needed information or help**

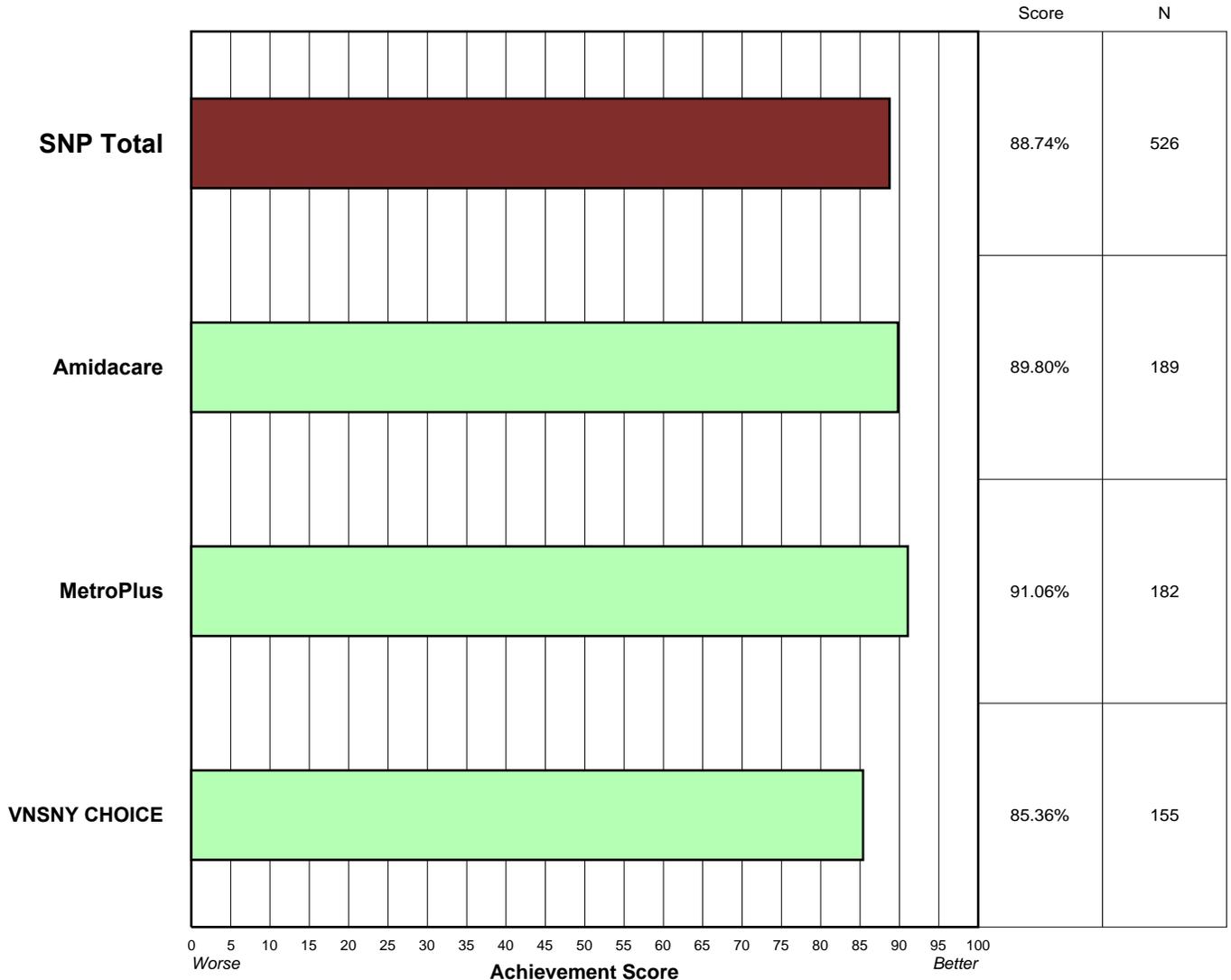


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### Customer Service (Usually or Always)

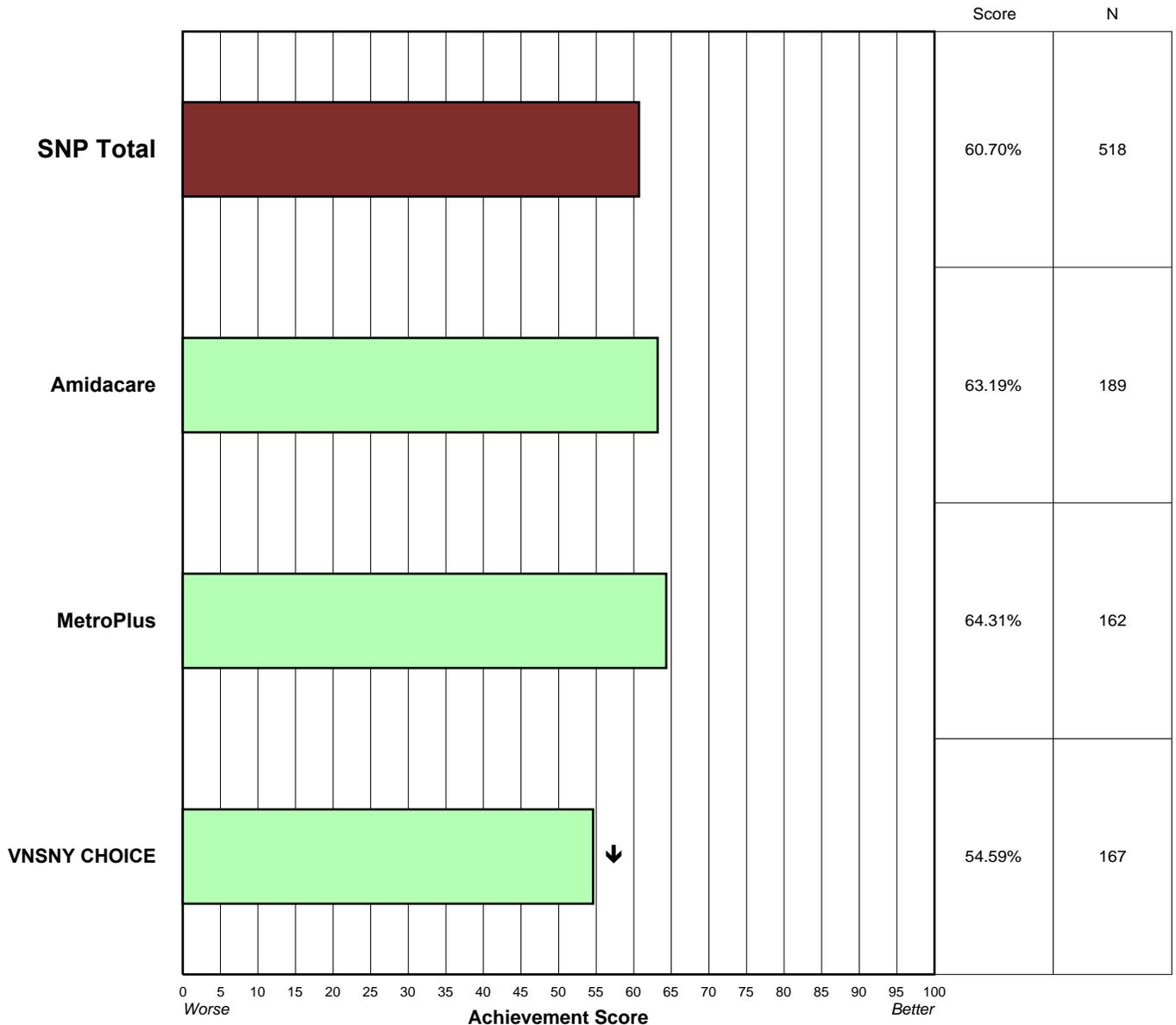
**Q44. Usually or always treated with courtesy and respect by health plan's customer service staff**



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### Shared Decision Making (Yes or A lot)

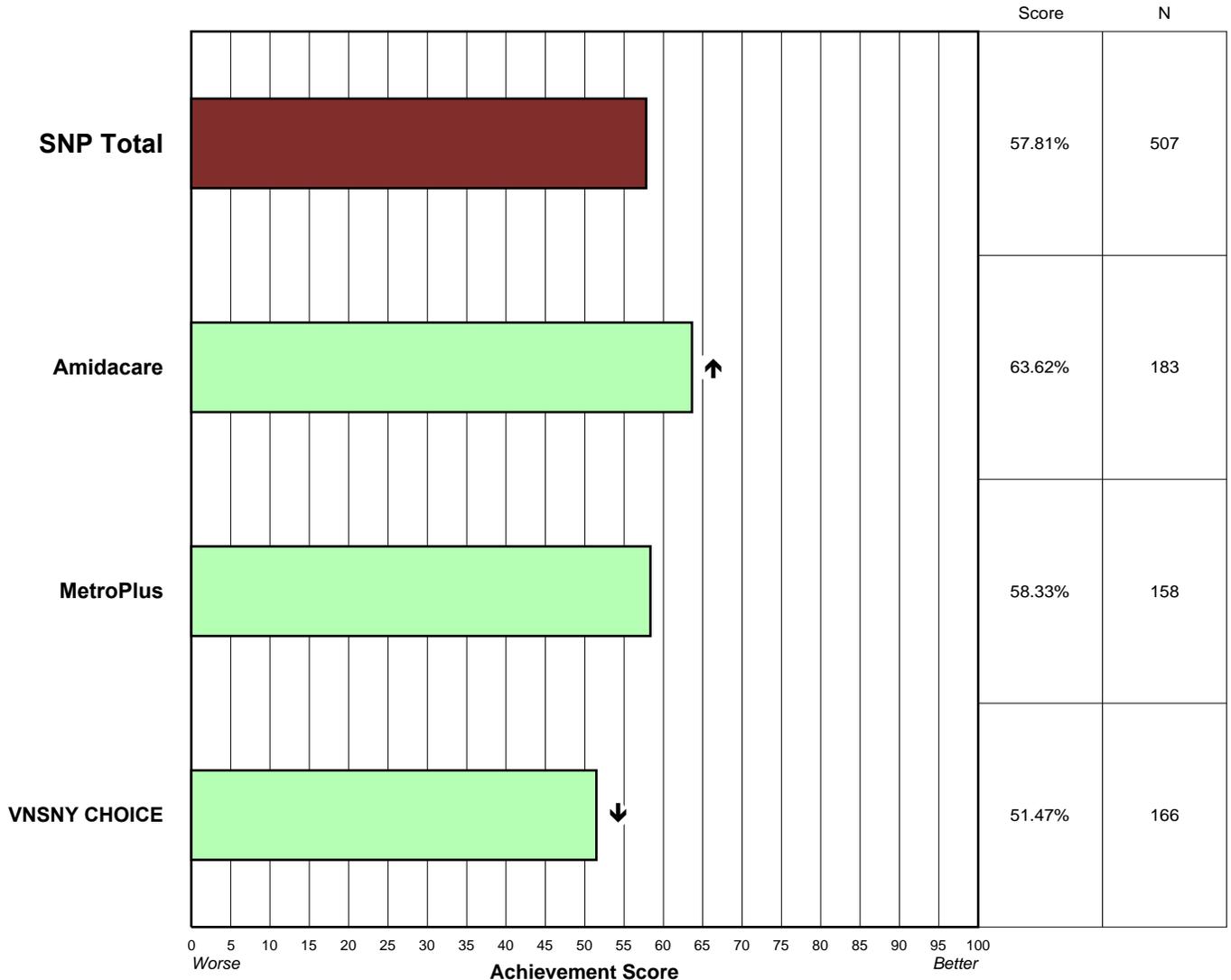


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### Shared Decision Making (Yes or A lot)

**Q12. Doctor/provider talked a lot about the reasons you might want to take a medicine**

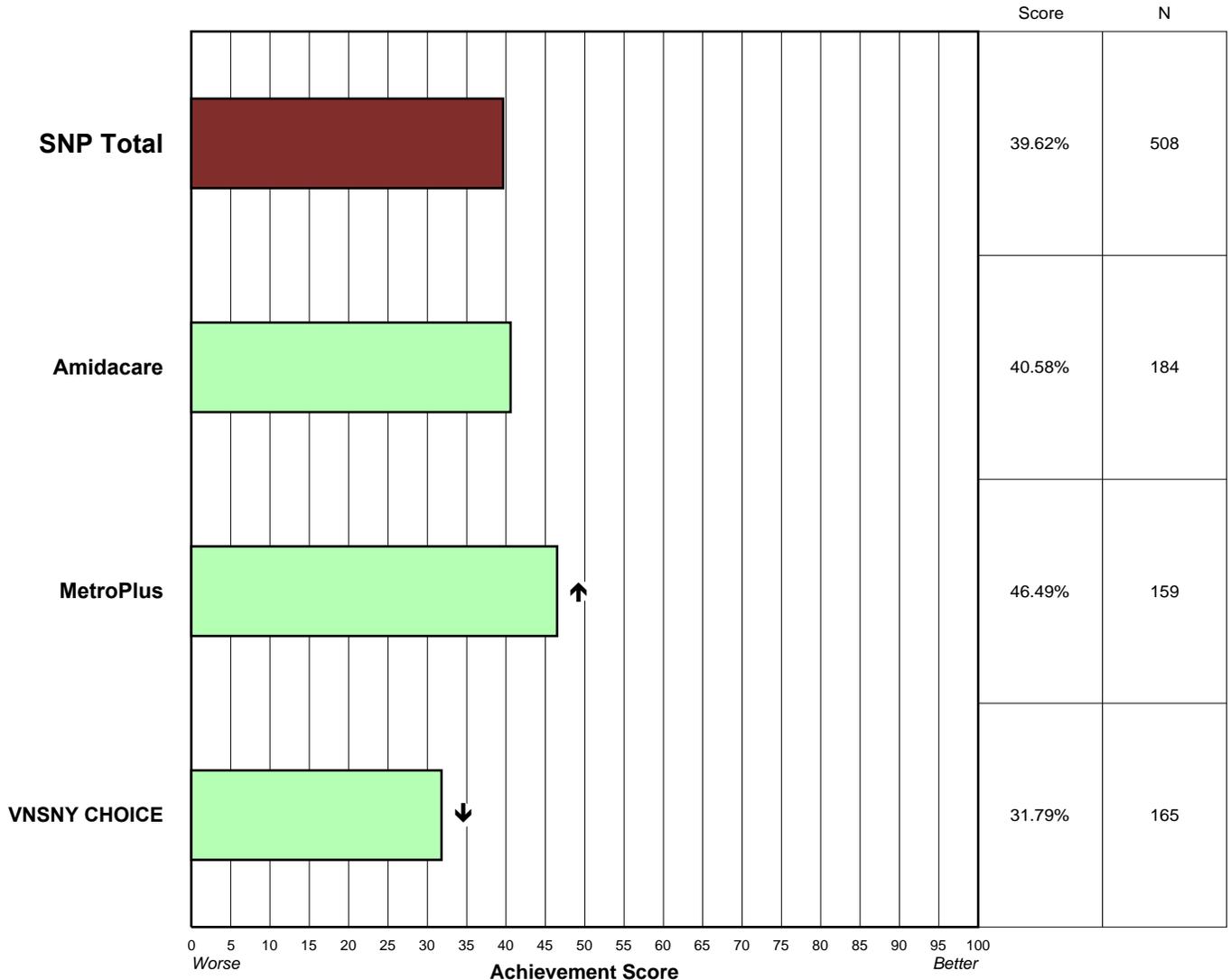


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## Shared Decision Making (Yes or A lot)

**Q13. Doctor/provider talked a lot about the reasons you might not want to take a medicine**

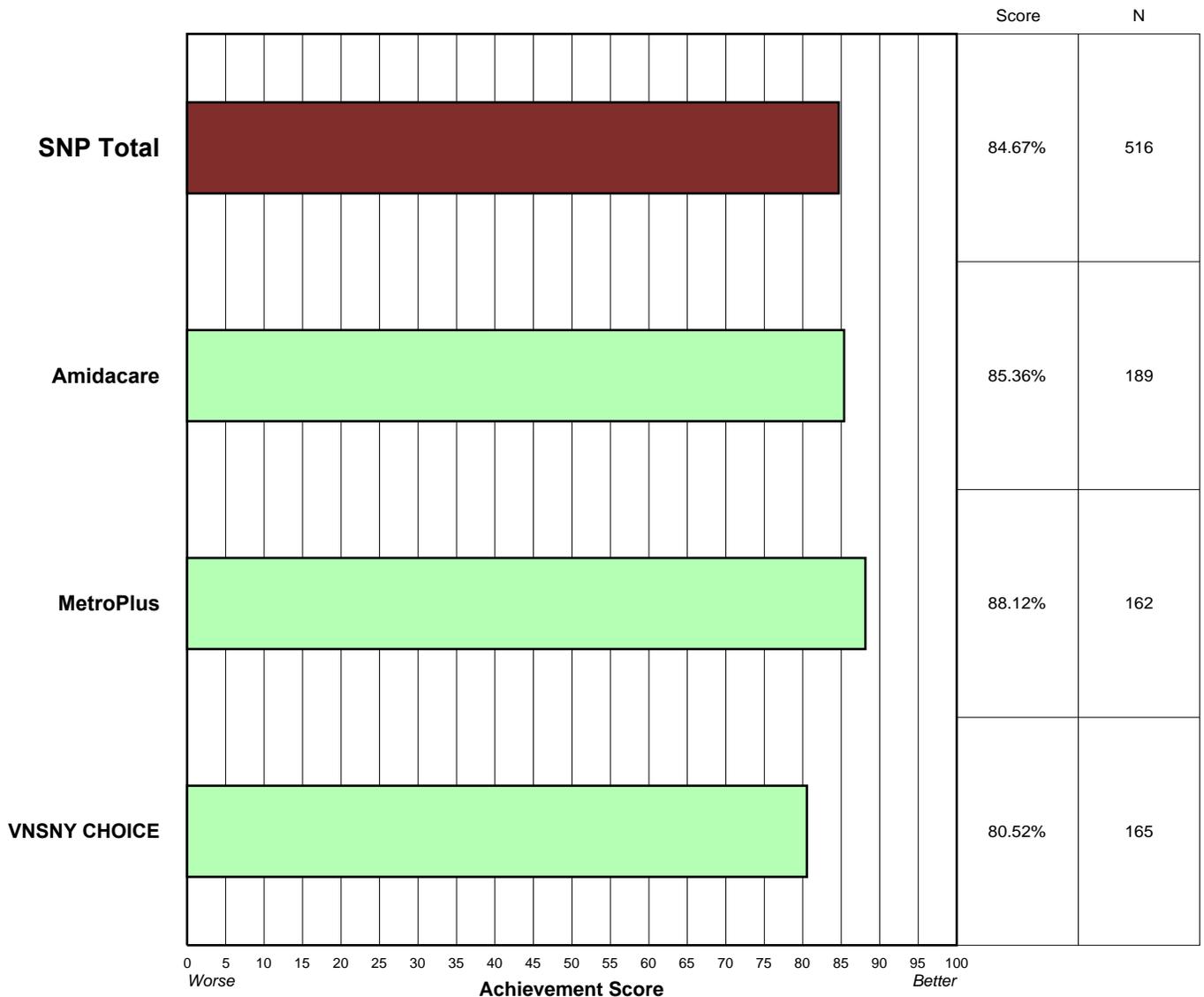


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## Shared Decision Making (Yes or A lot)

### Q14. Doctor/provider asked what you thought was best for you

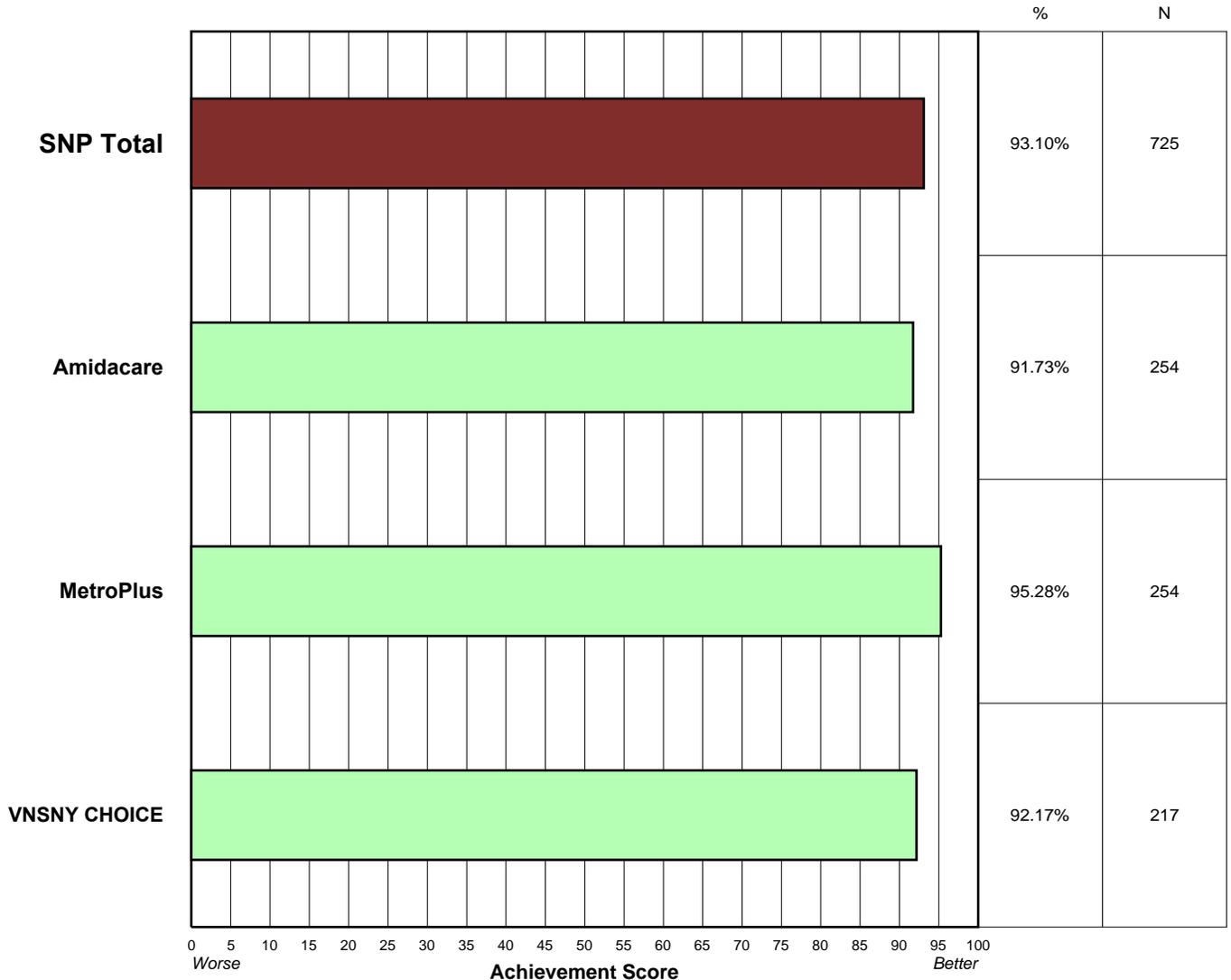


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## Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation

### Q53. Advised by doctor or other health provider to quit smoking or using tobacco

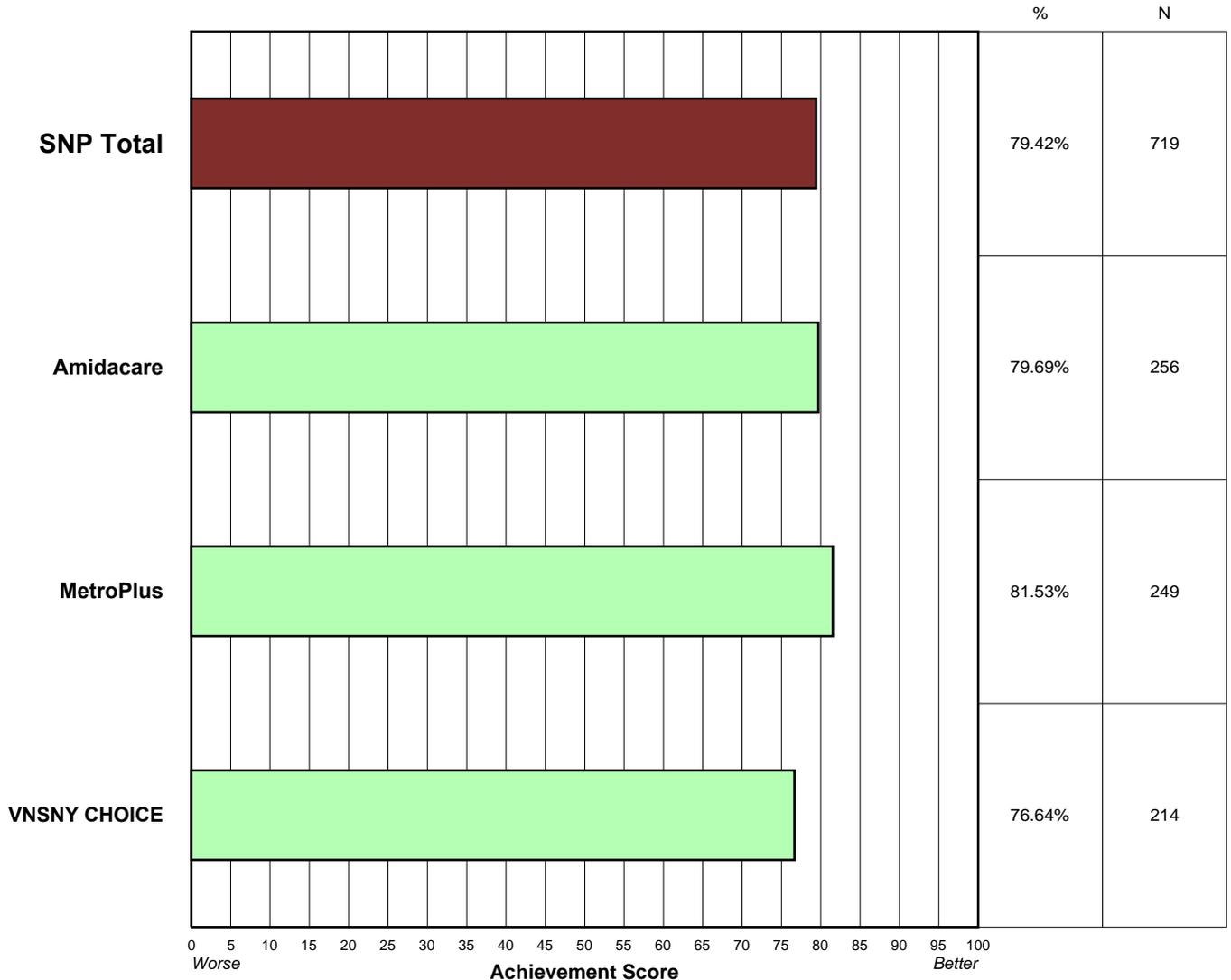


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## Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation

### Q54. Doctor or health provider recommended or discussed medication to assist with quitting smoking or using tobacco

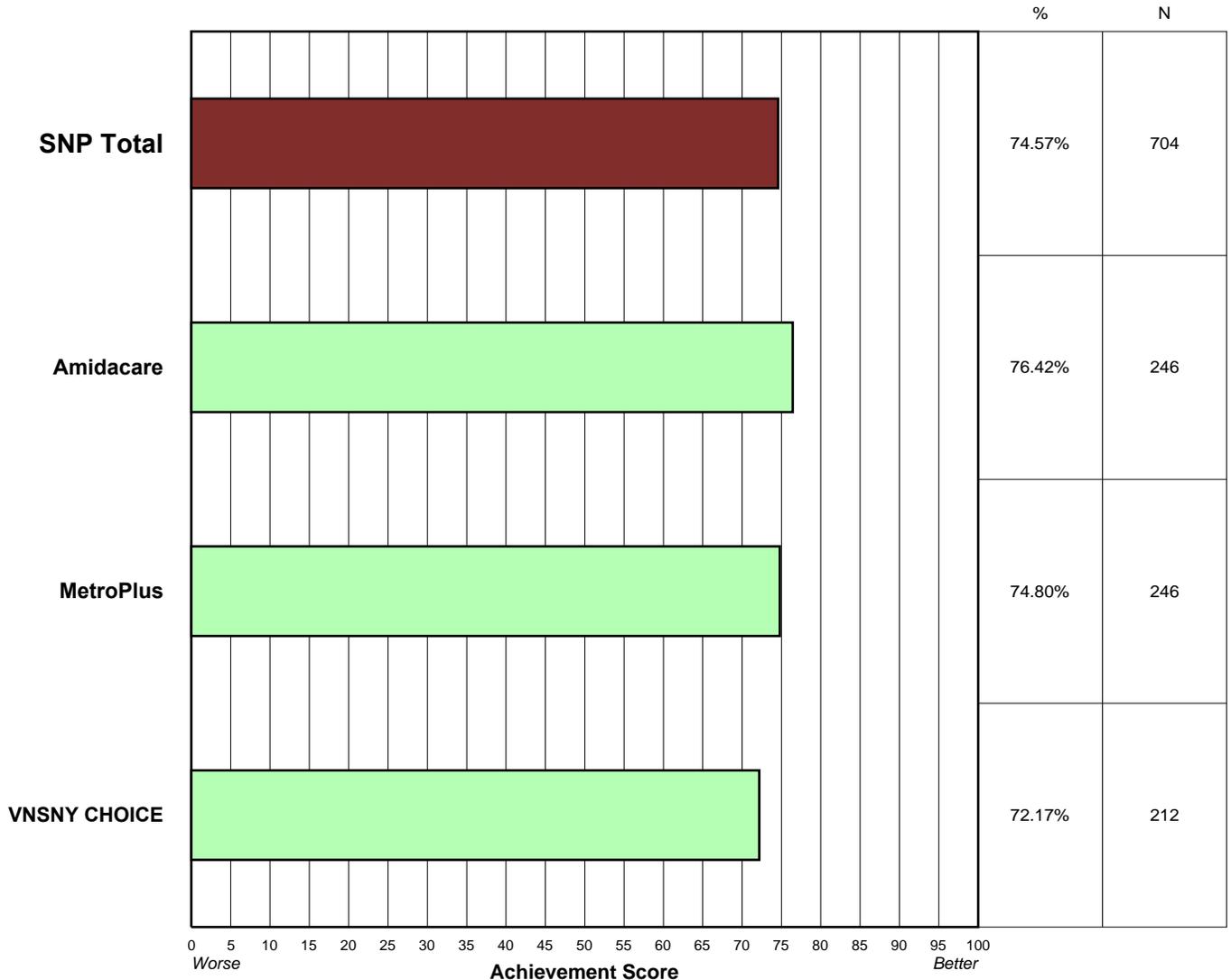


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## Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation

**Q55. Doctor or health provider discussed or provided methods and strategies to assist with quitting smoking or using tobacco**

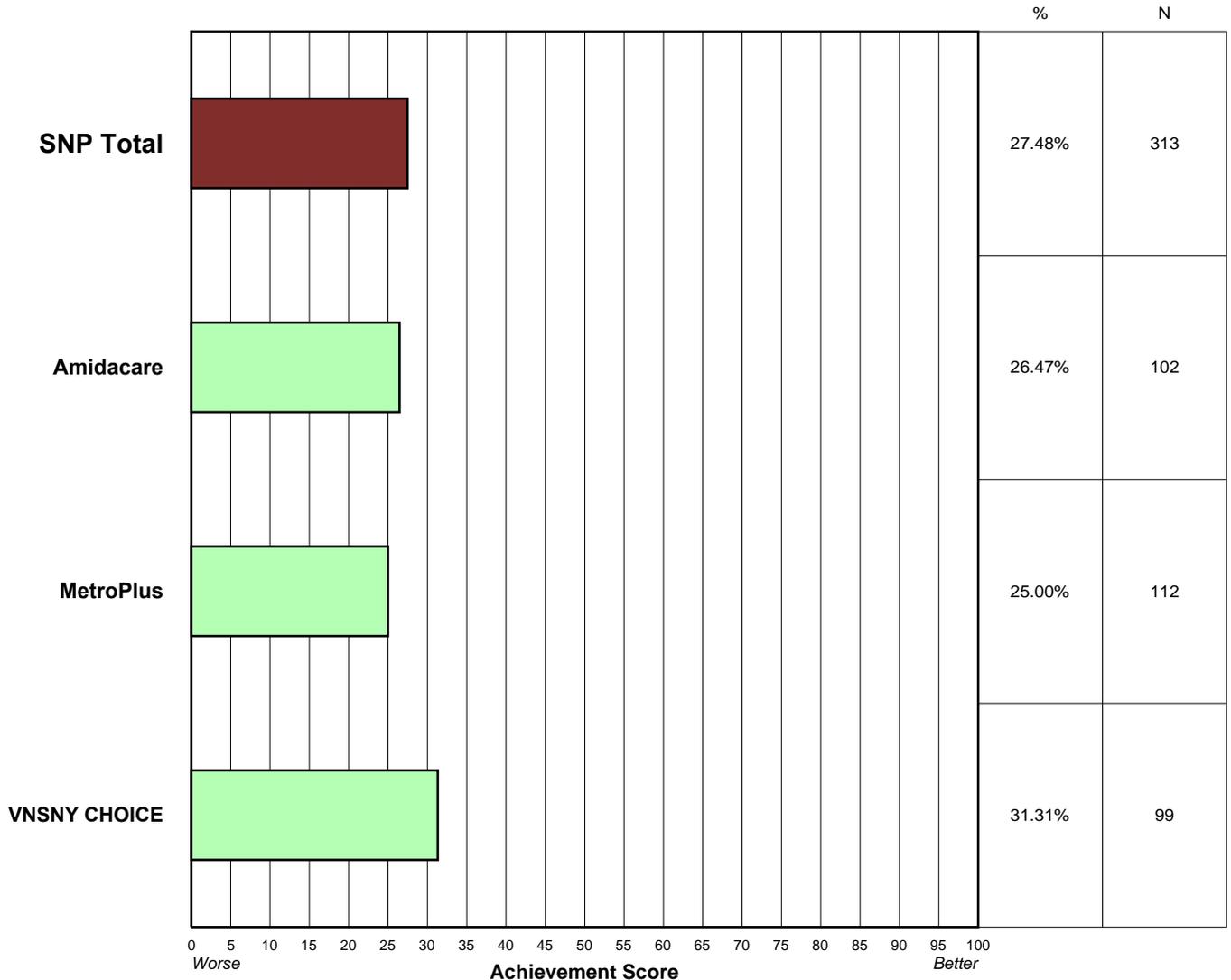


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### Aspirin Use and Discussion

**Q56. Take aspirin daily or every other day [NOTE: Data presented for eligible respondents determined by NCQA scoring guidelines.]**

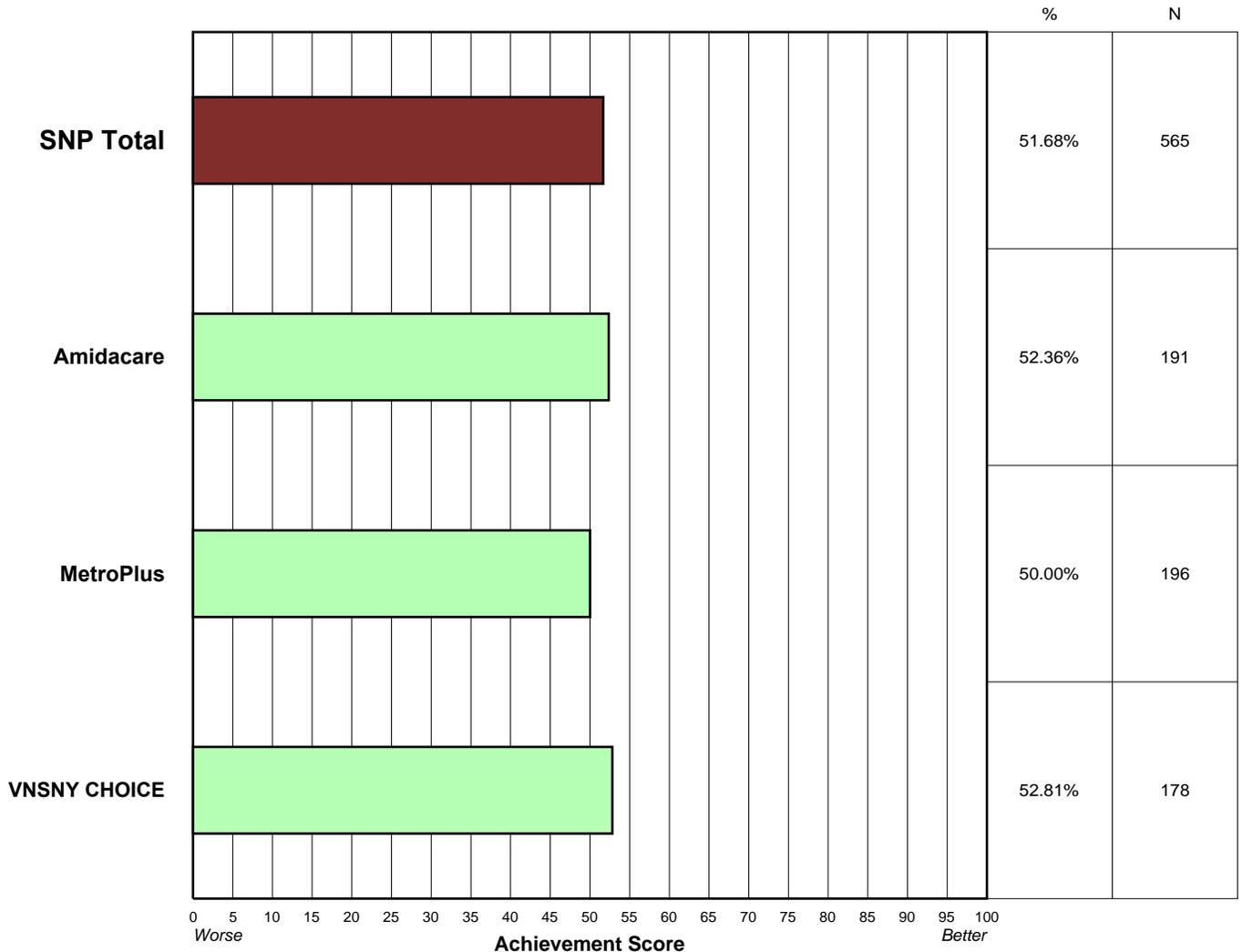


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### Aspirin Use and Discussion

**Q58. Doctor has discussed risks and benefits of aspirin to prevent heart attack or stroke [NOTE: Data presented for eligible respondents determined by NCQA scoring guidelines.]**

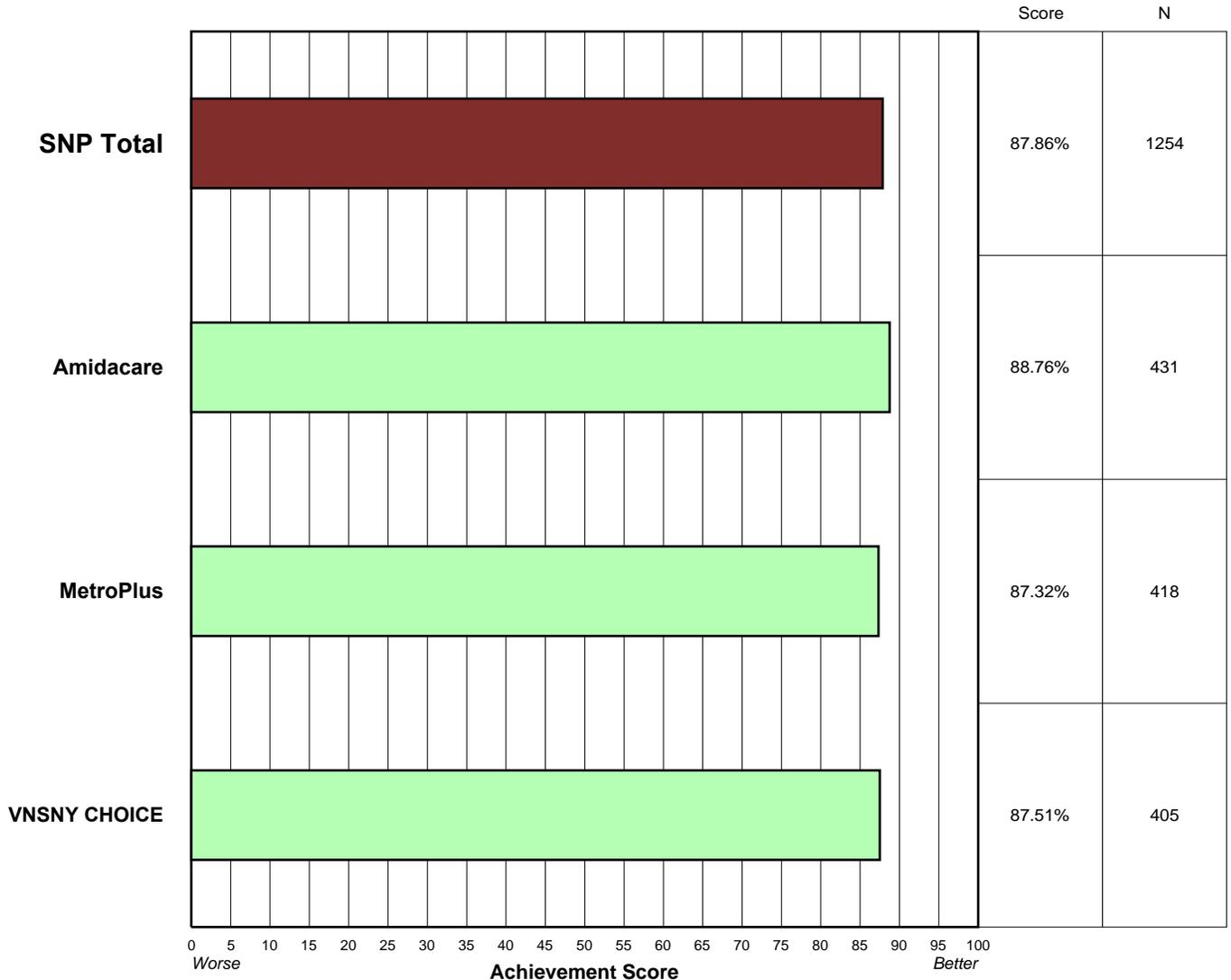


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### Single Items

### Q9. Doctor/provider definitely talked about specific things to do to prevent illness

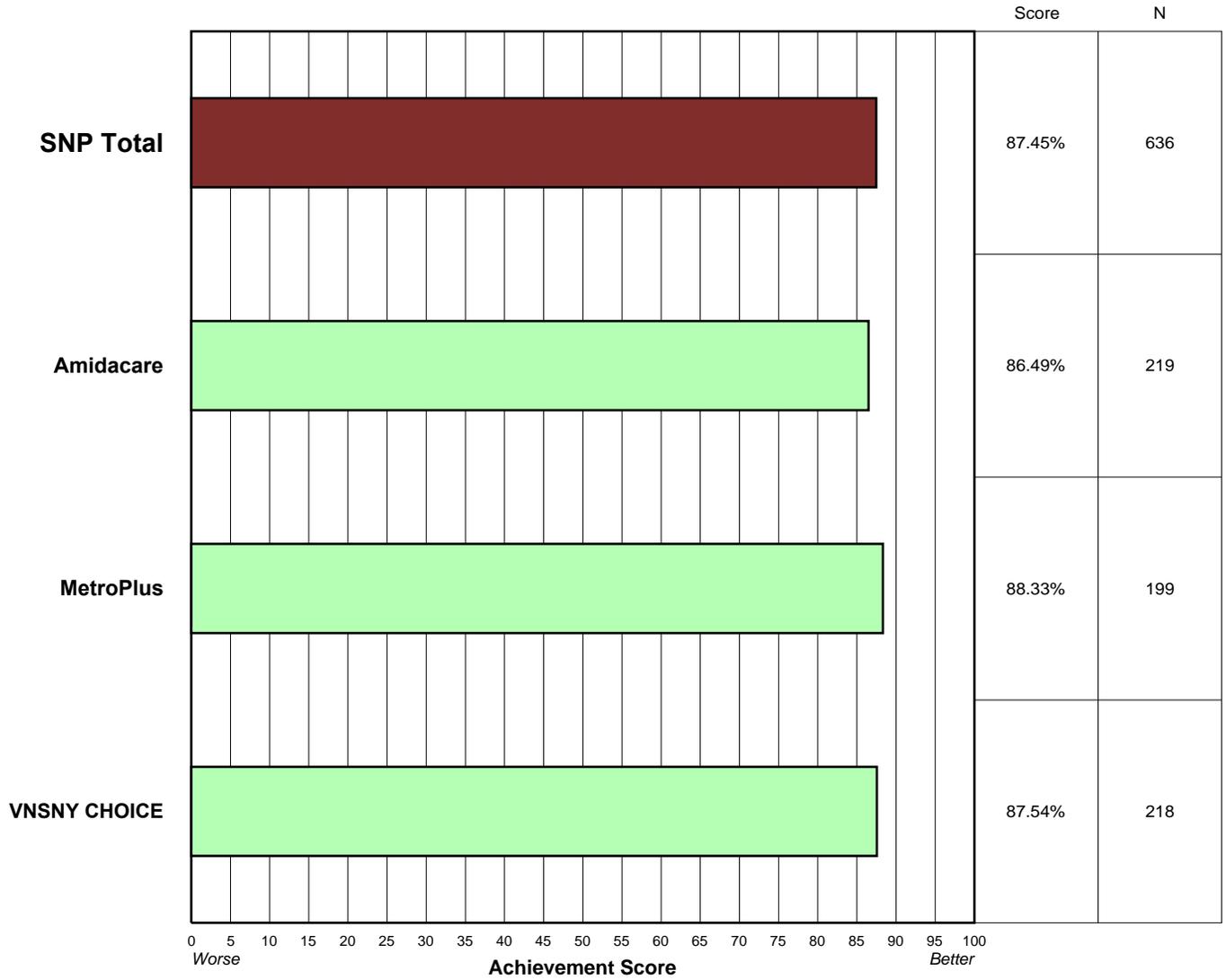


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### Single Items

#### Q36. Personal doctor usually or always seemed informed about care received from other doctors or providers

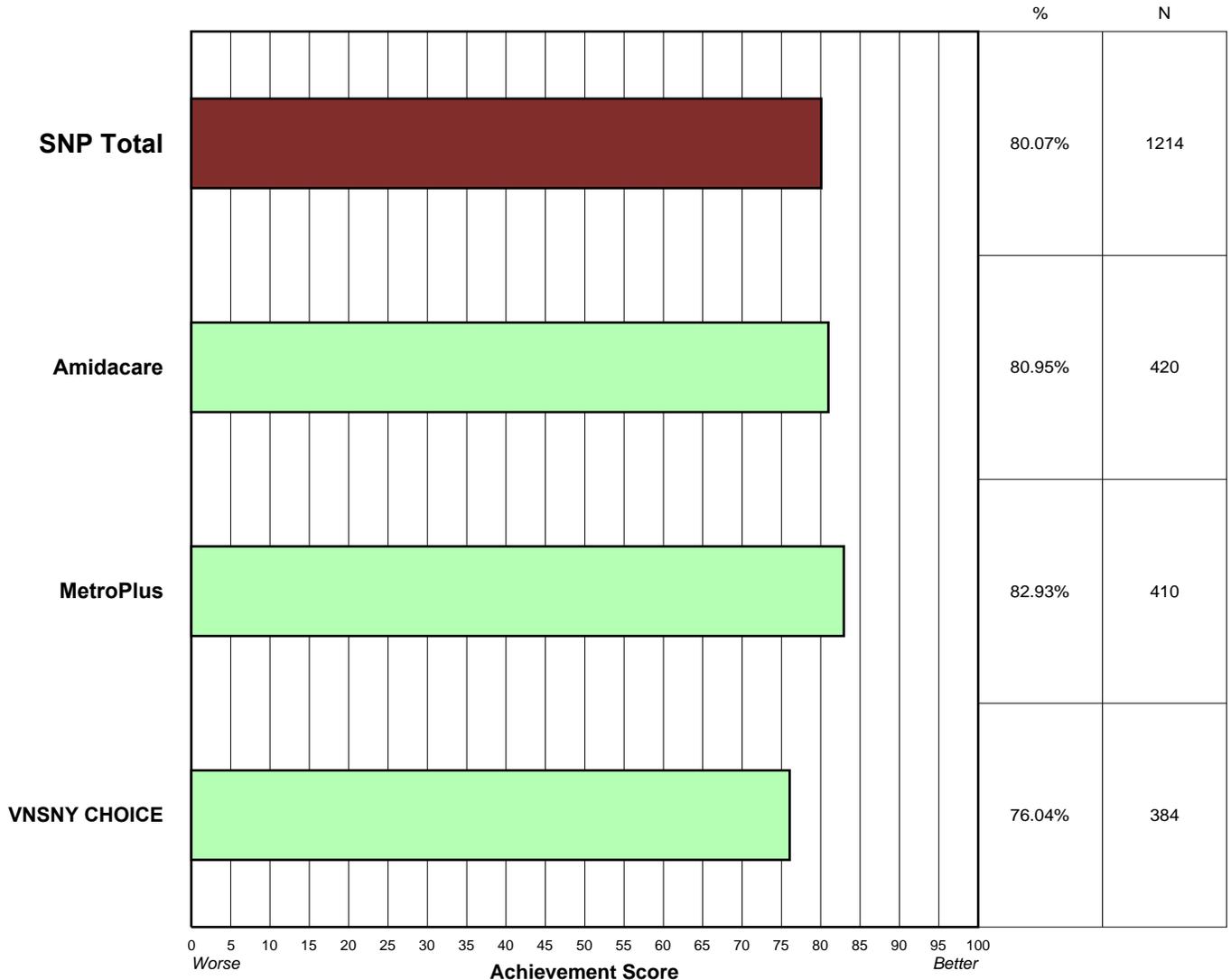


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q10a. Doctor or other health provider talked about a healthy diet and eating habits

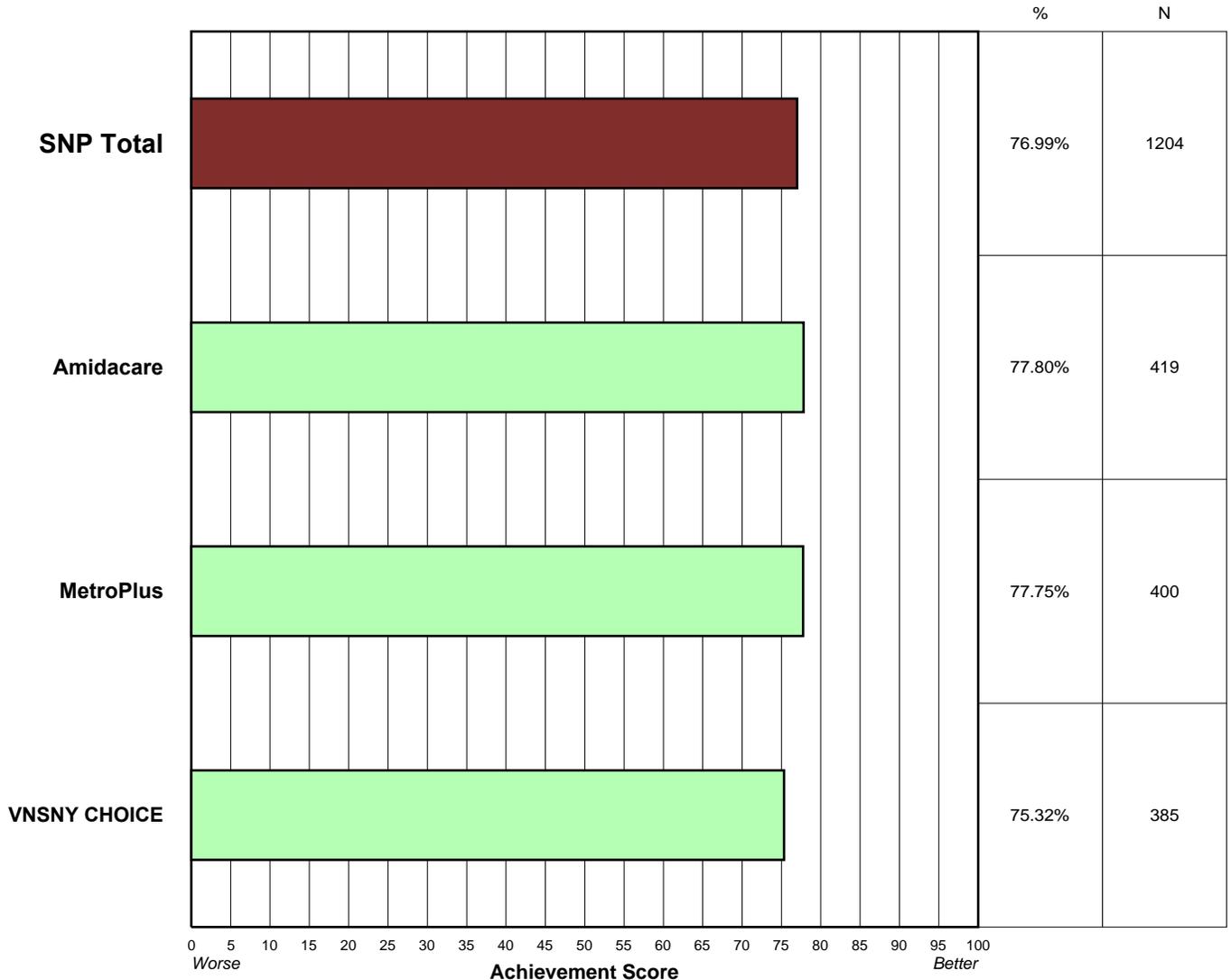


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q10b. Doctor or other health provider talked about exercise or physical activity

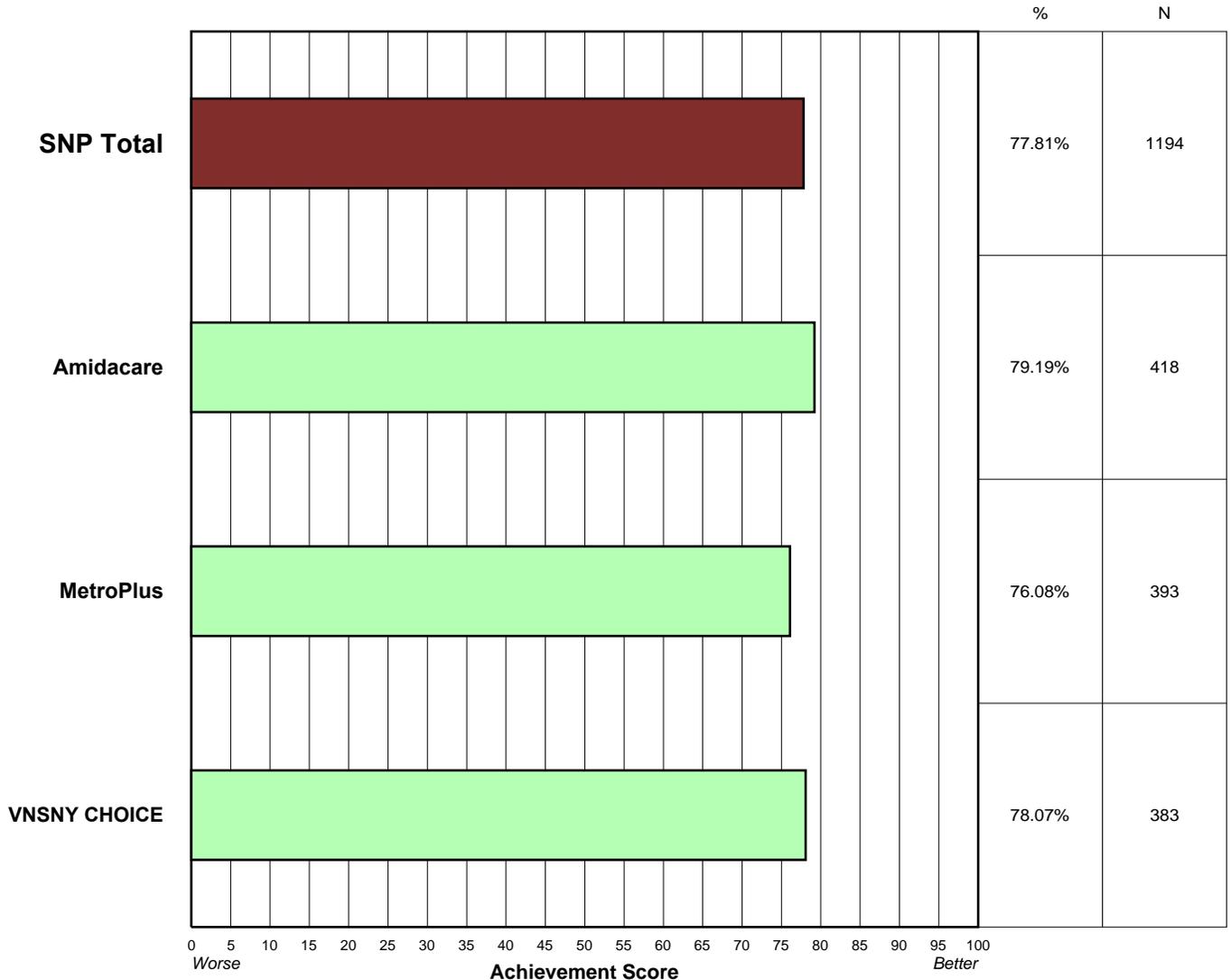


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### Supplemental Questions

**Q10c. Doctor or other health provider talked about things in your life that worry you or cause you stress**

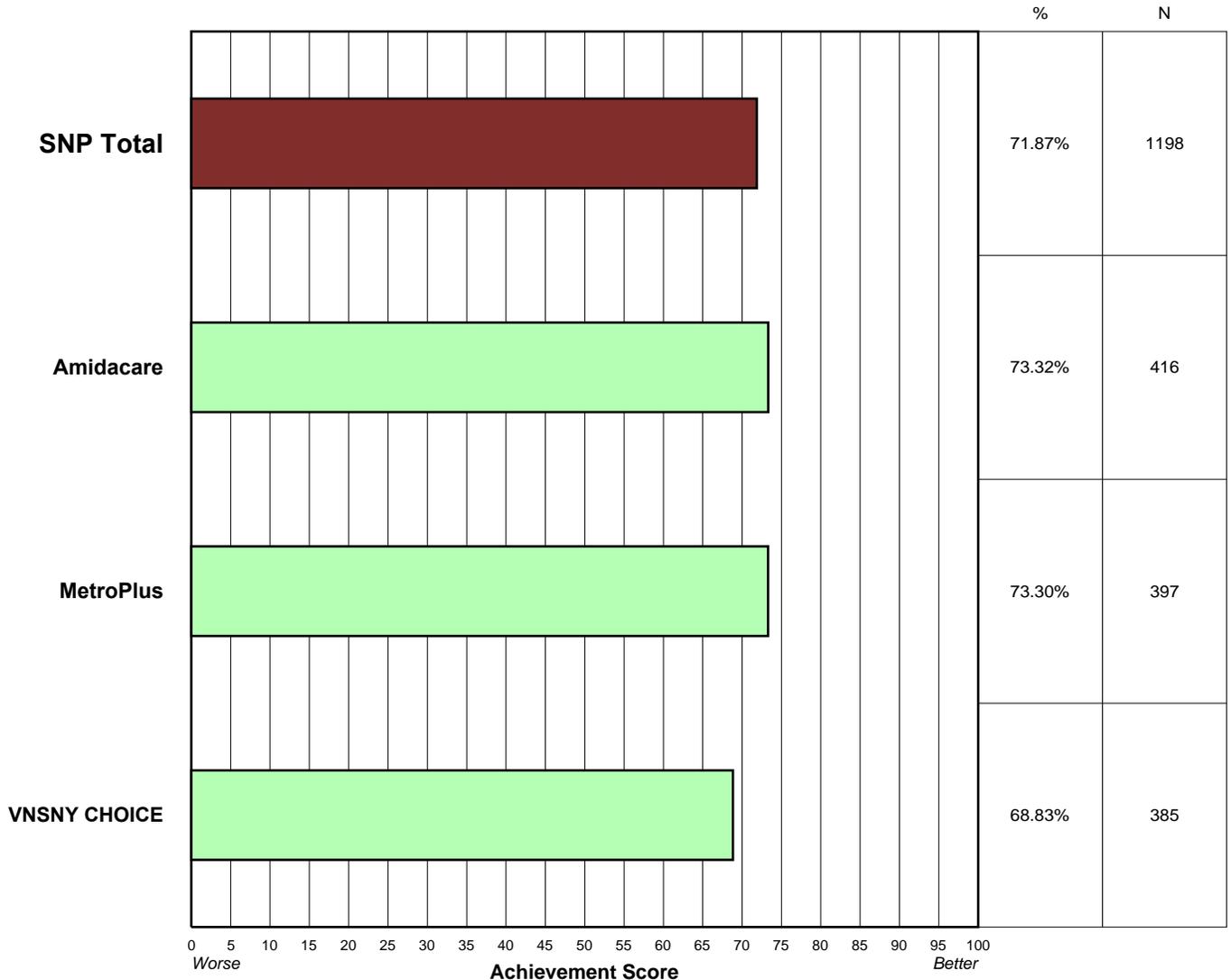


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### Supplemental Questions

**Q10d. Doctor or other health provider talked about whether there was a period of time when you felt sad, empty or depressed**

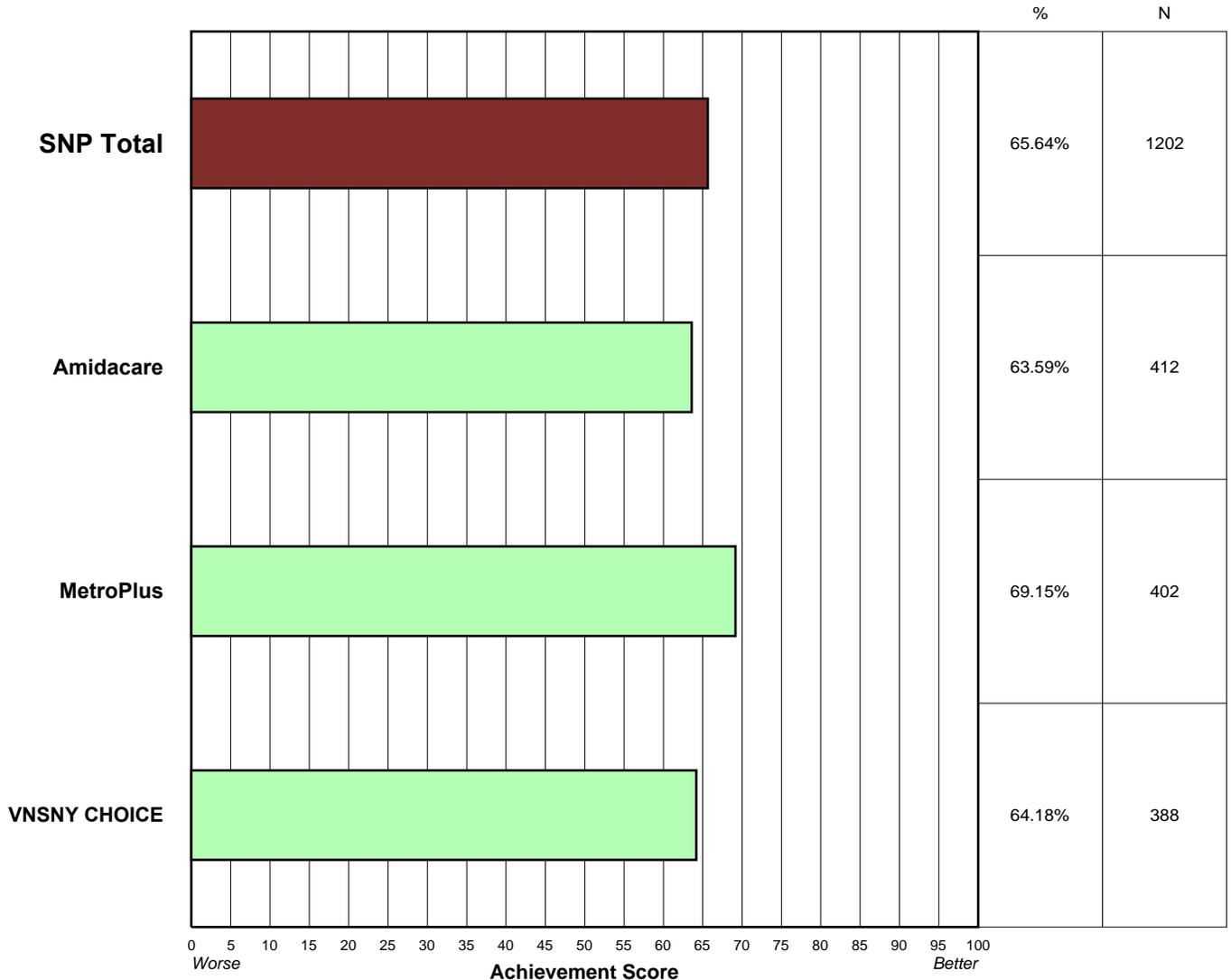


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q10e. Doctor or other health provider talked about smoking or using tobacco products

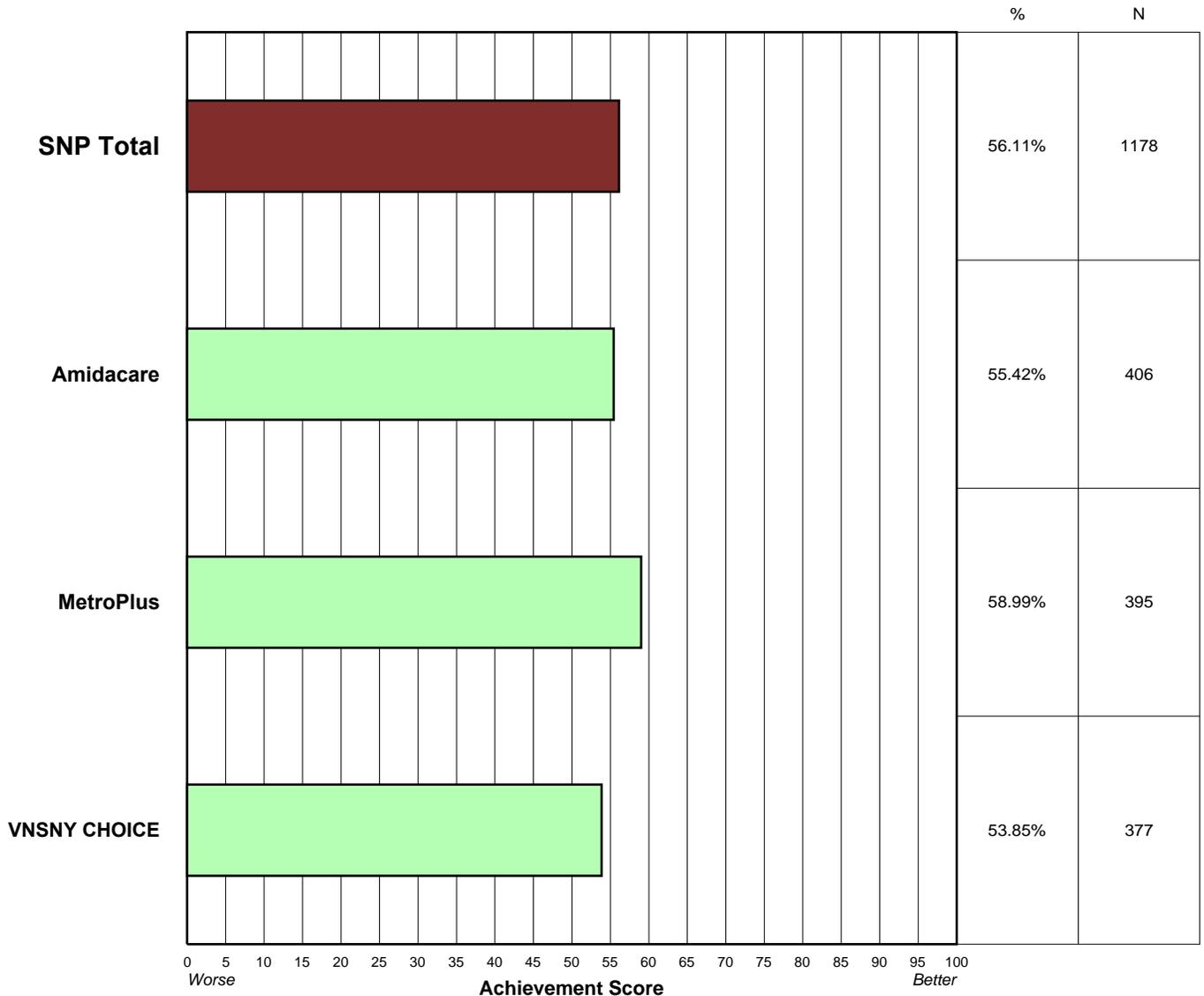


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q10f. Doctor or other health provider talked about alcohol or other drug use

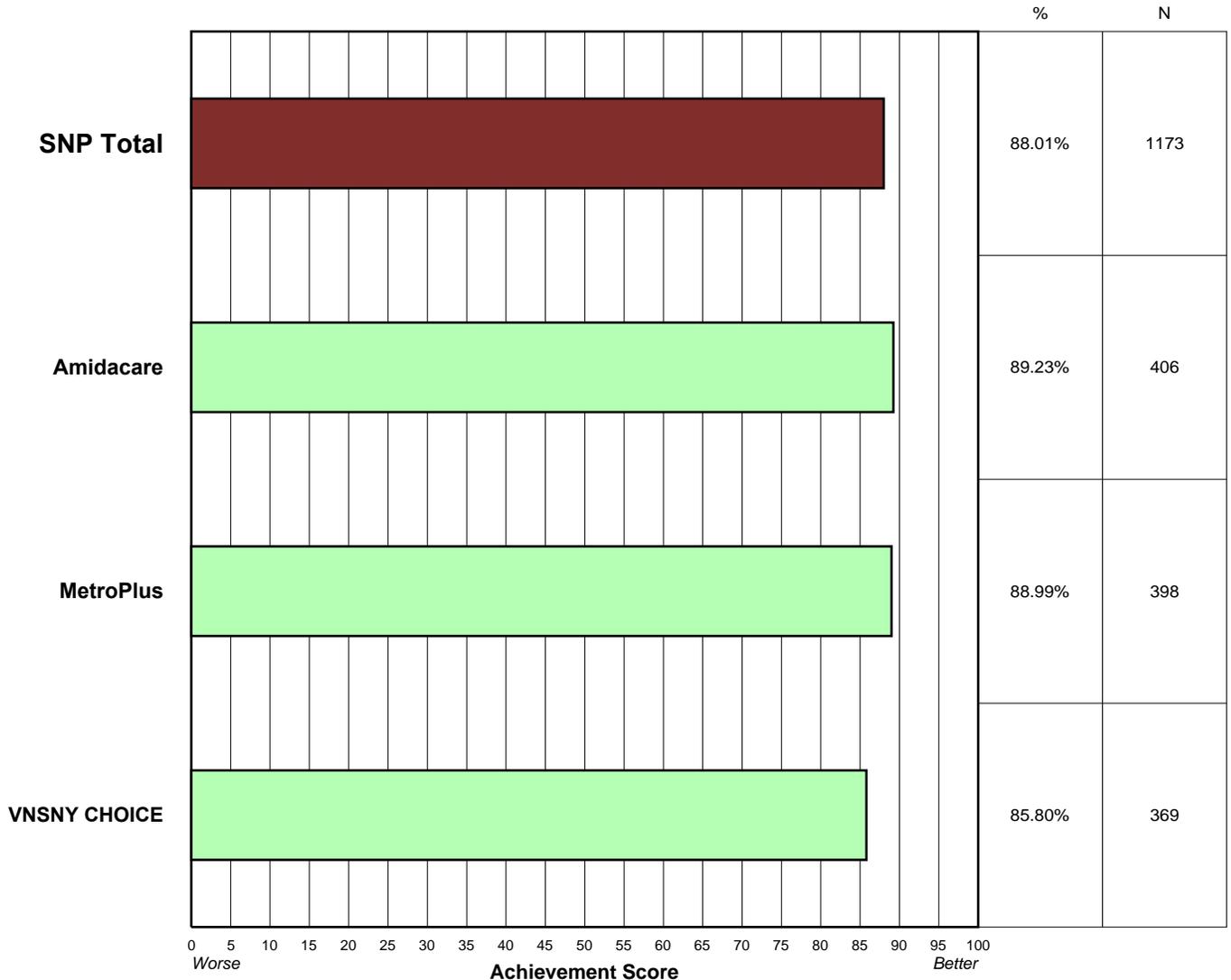


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### Supplemental Questions

**Q16. Someone from doctor's office usually or always followed up to give blood test, x-ray or other test results**

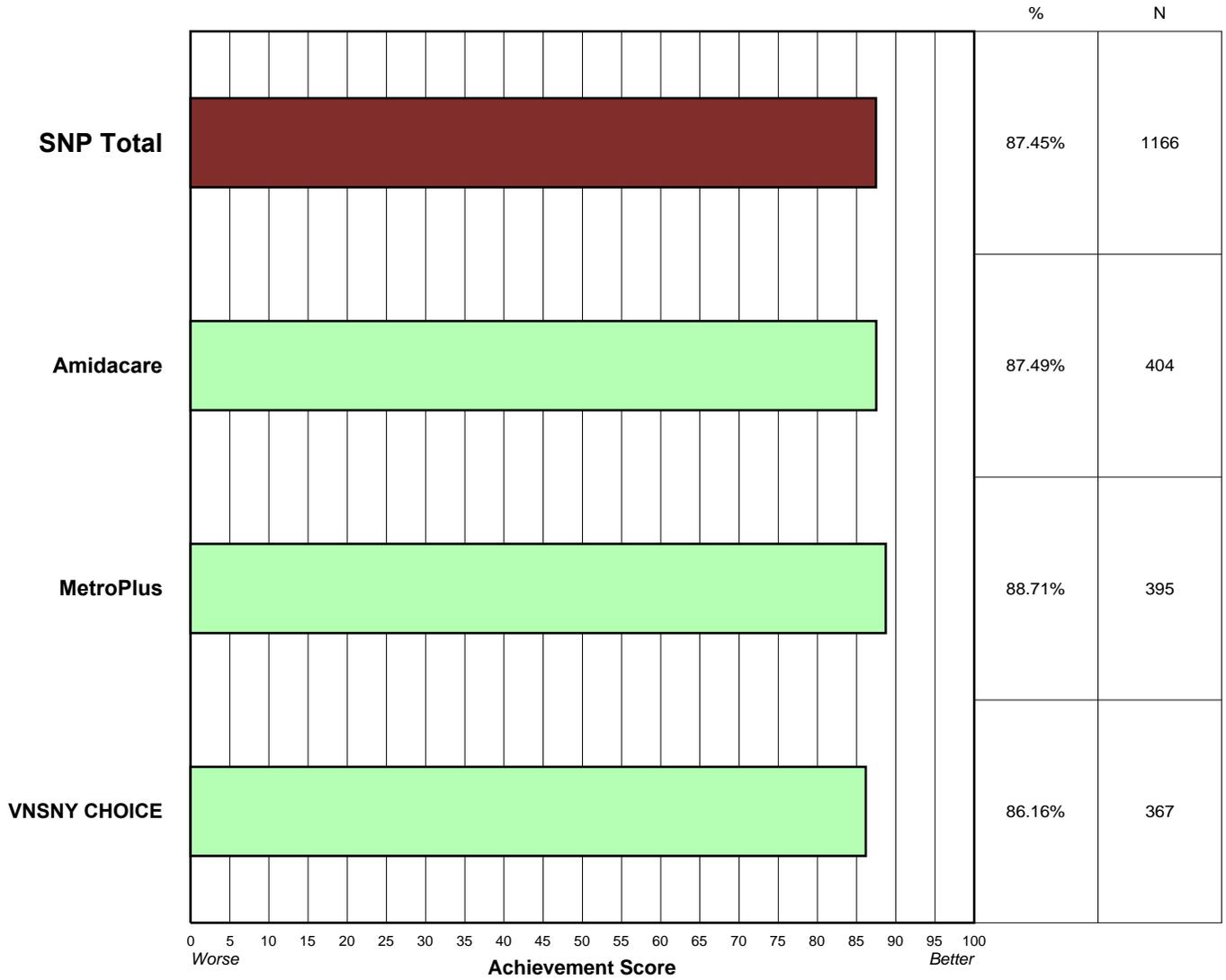


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q17. Results of blood test, x-ray or other test usually or always easy to understand

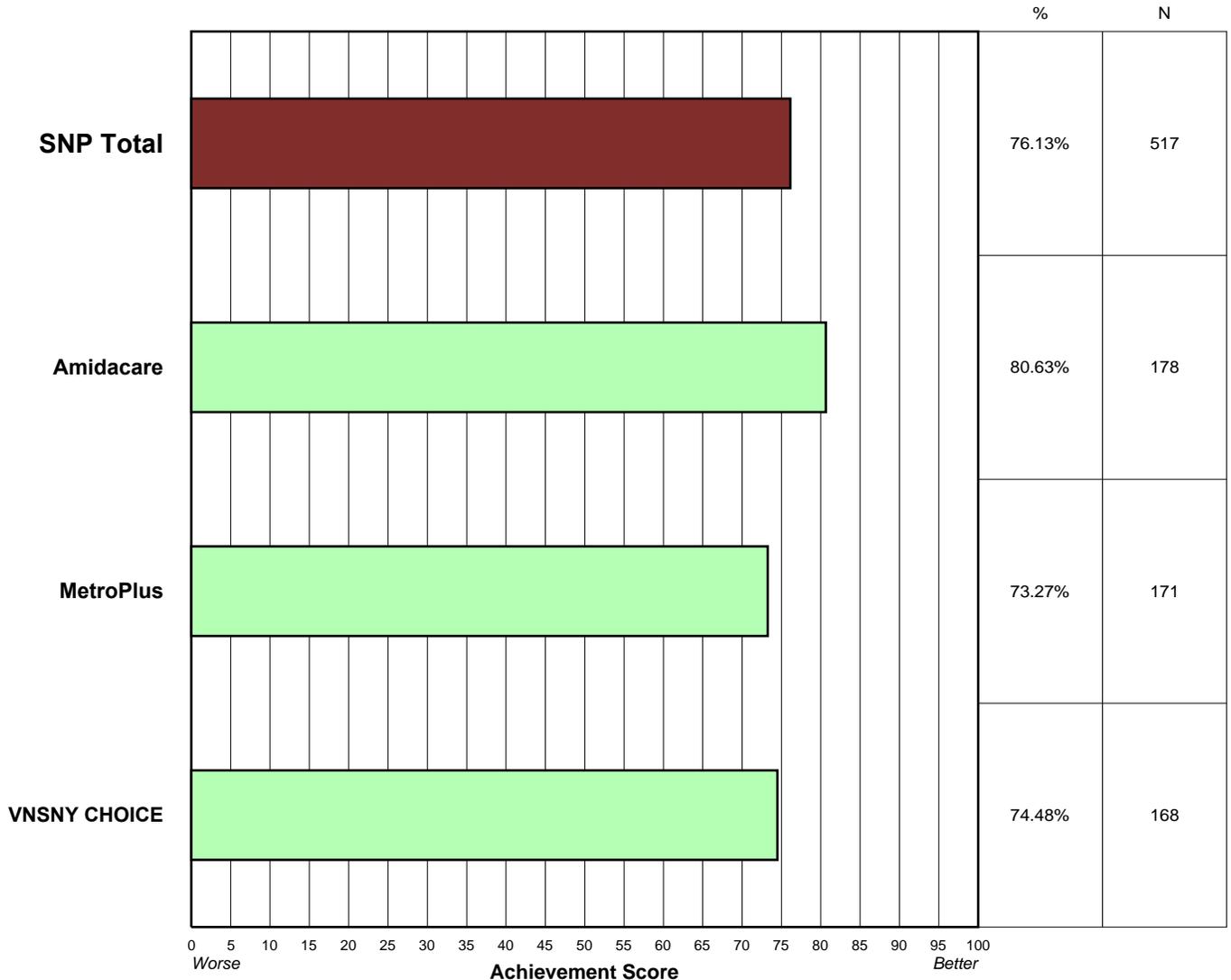


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### Supplemental Questions

**Q21. Usually or always easy to get treatment or counseling you needed for a personal or family problem through your health plan**

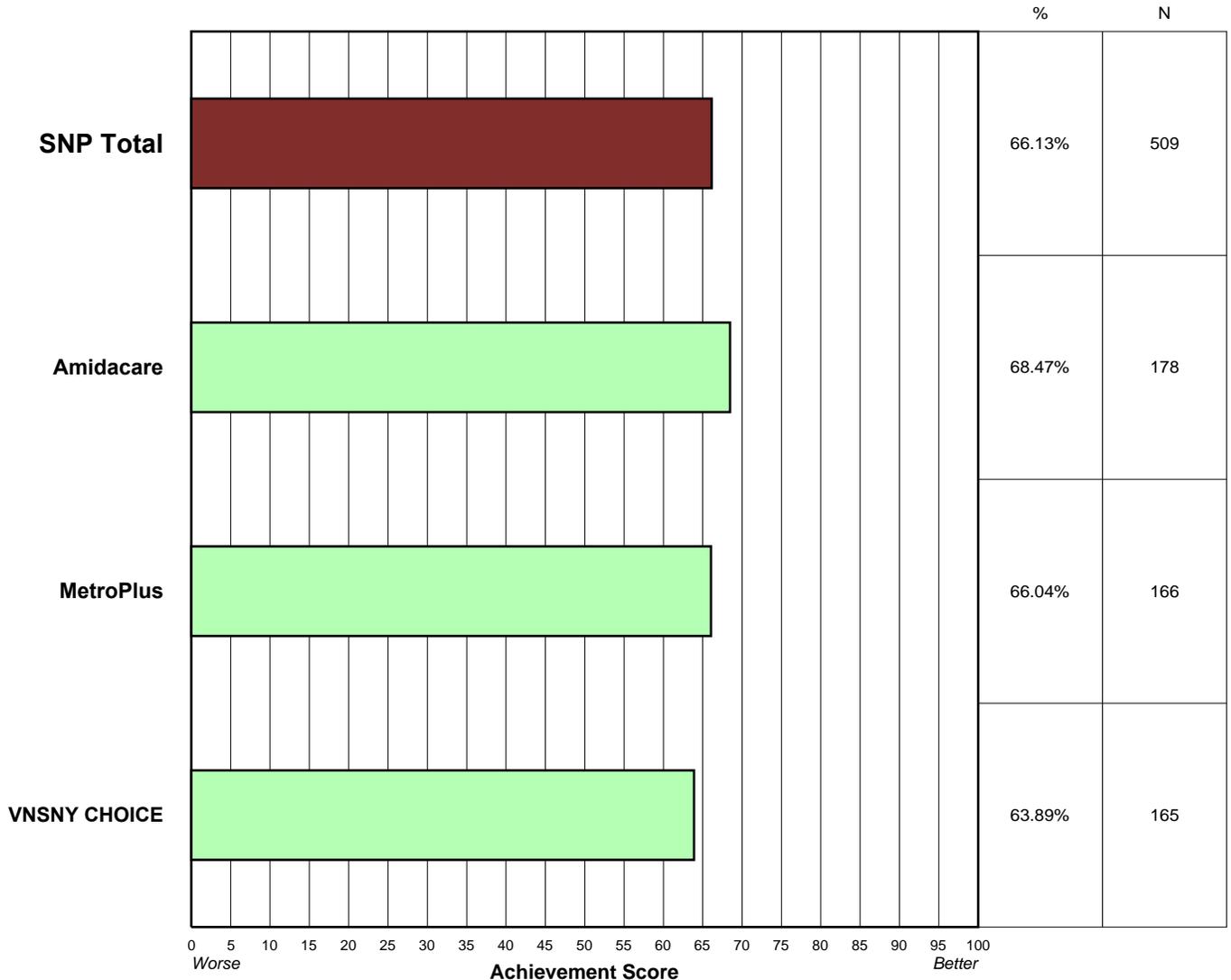


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q22. Rating of treatment or counseling for a personal or family problem (8, 9 or 10)

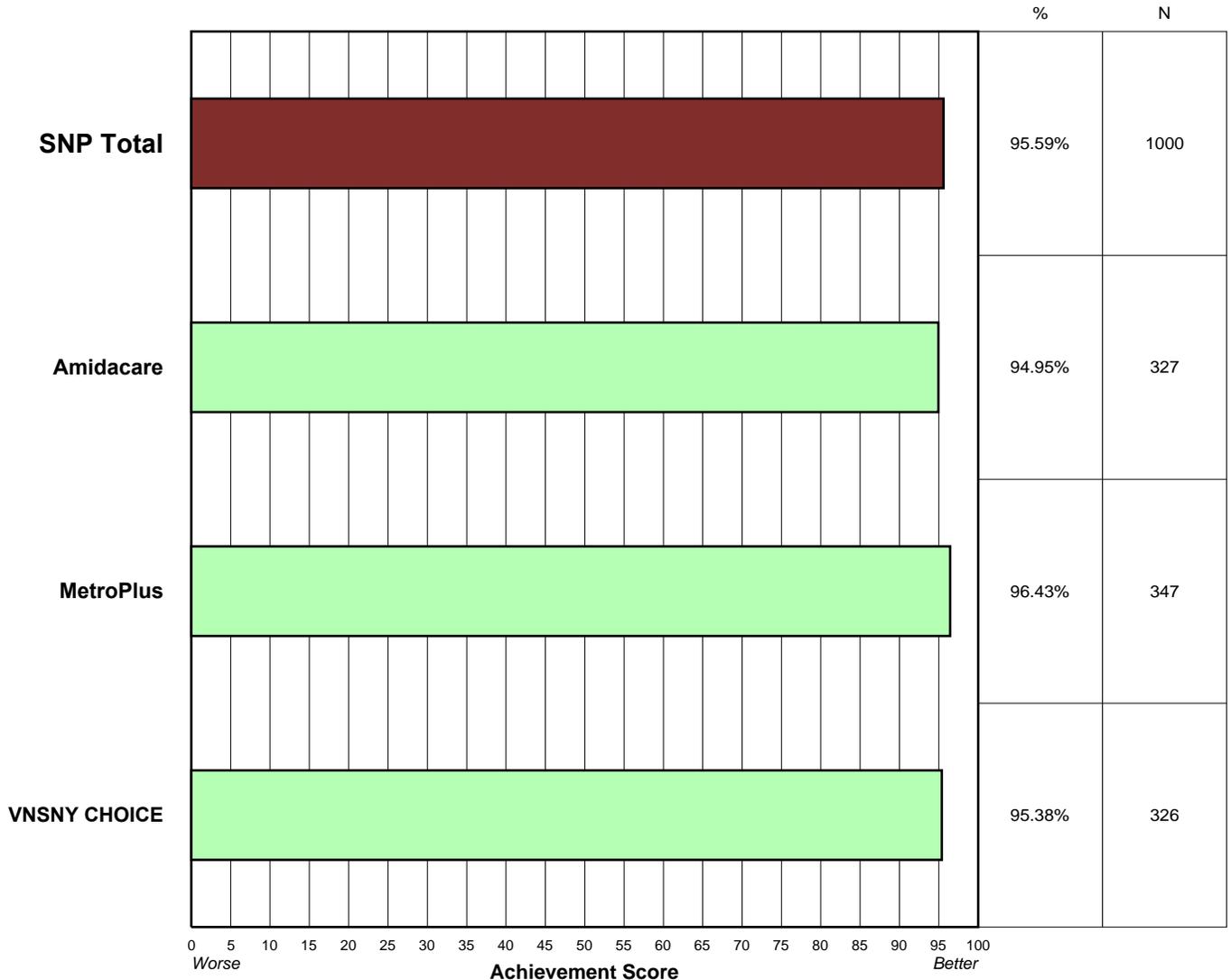


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### Supplemental Questions

#### Q33. Personal doctor usually or always gave easy to understand instructions about what to do to take care of illness or health condition

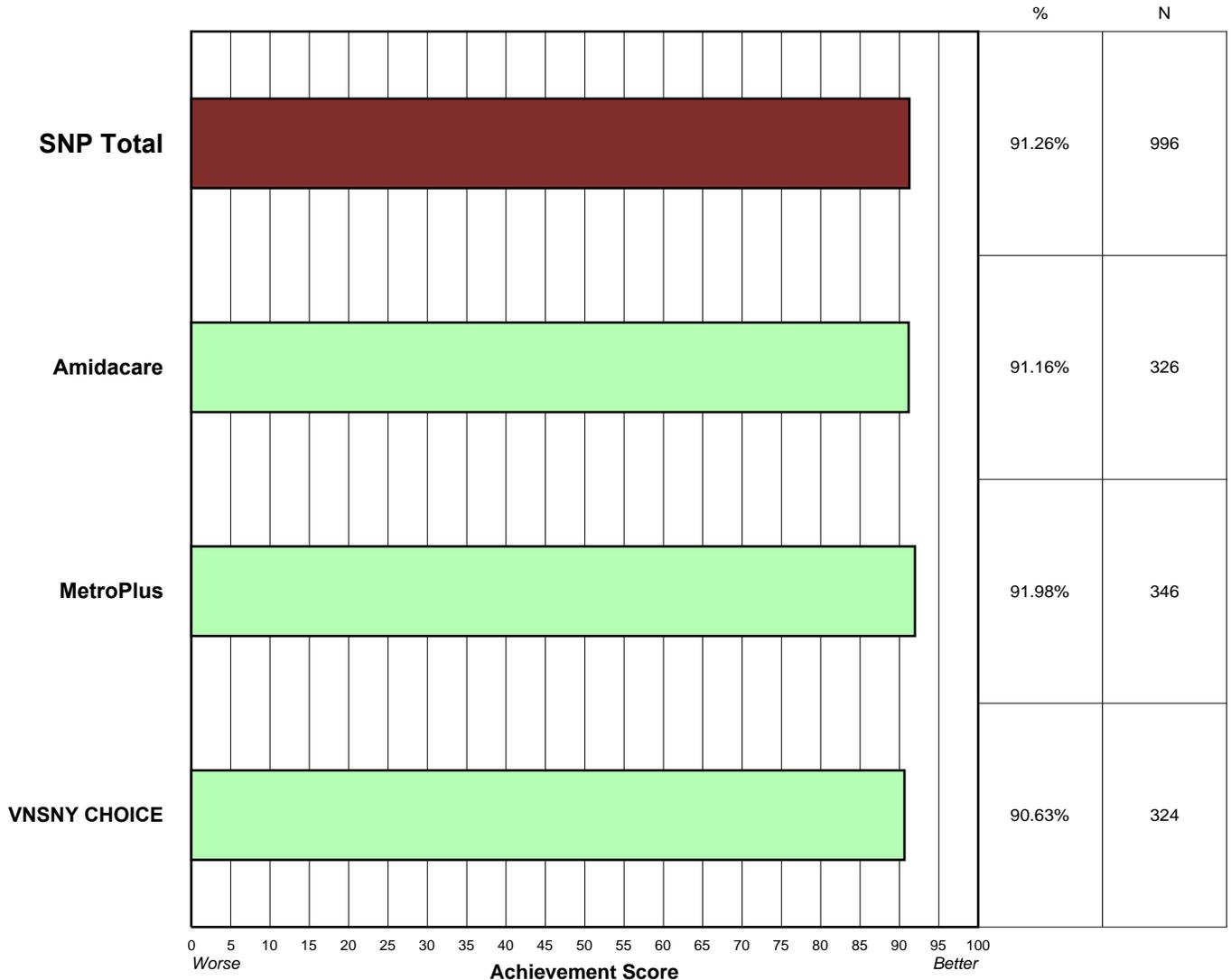


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### Supplemental Questions

**Q34. Personal doctor usually or always explained what to do if this illness or health condition got worse or came back**

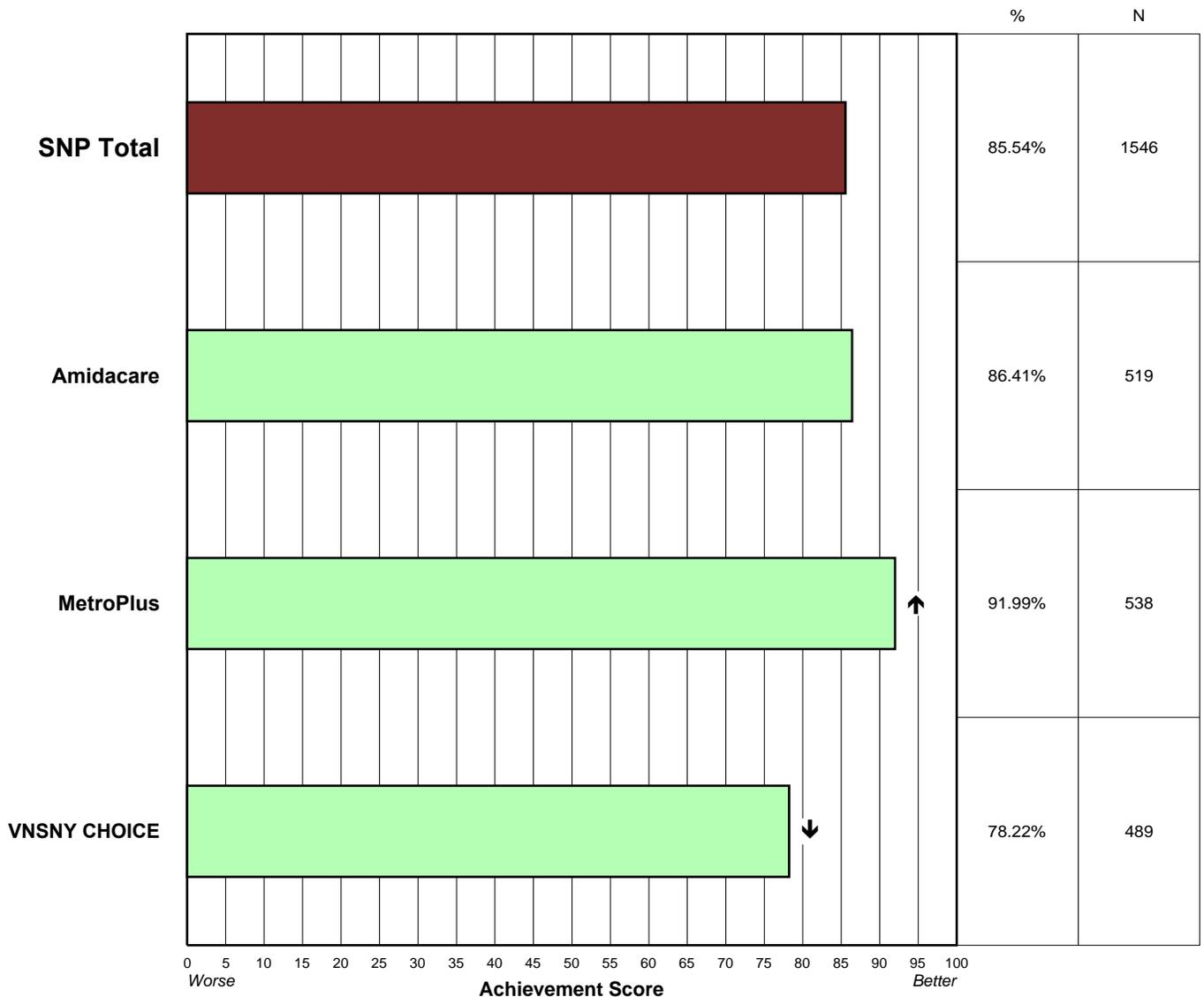


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## Supplemental Questions

### Q46. Would recommend health plan to your family and friends

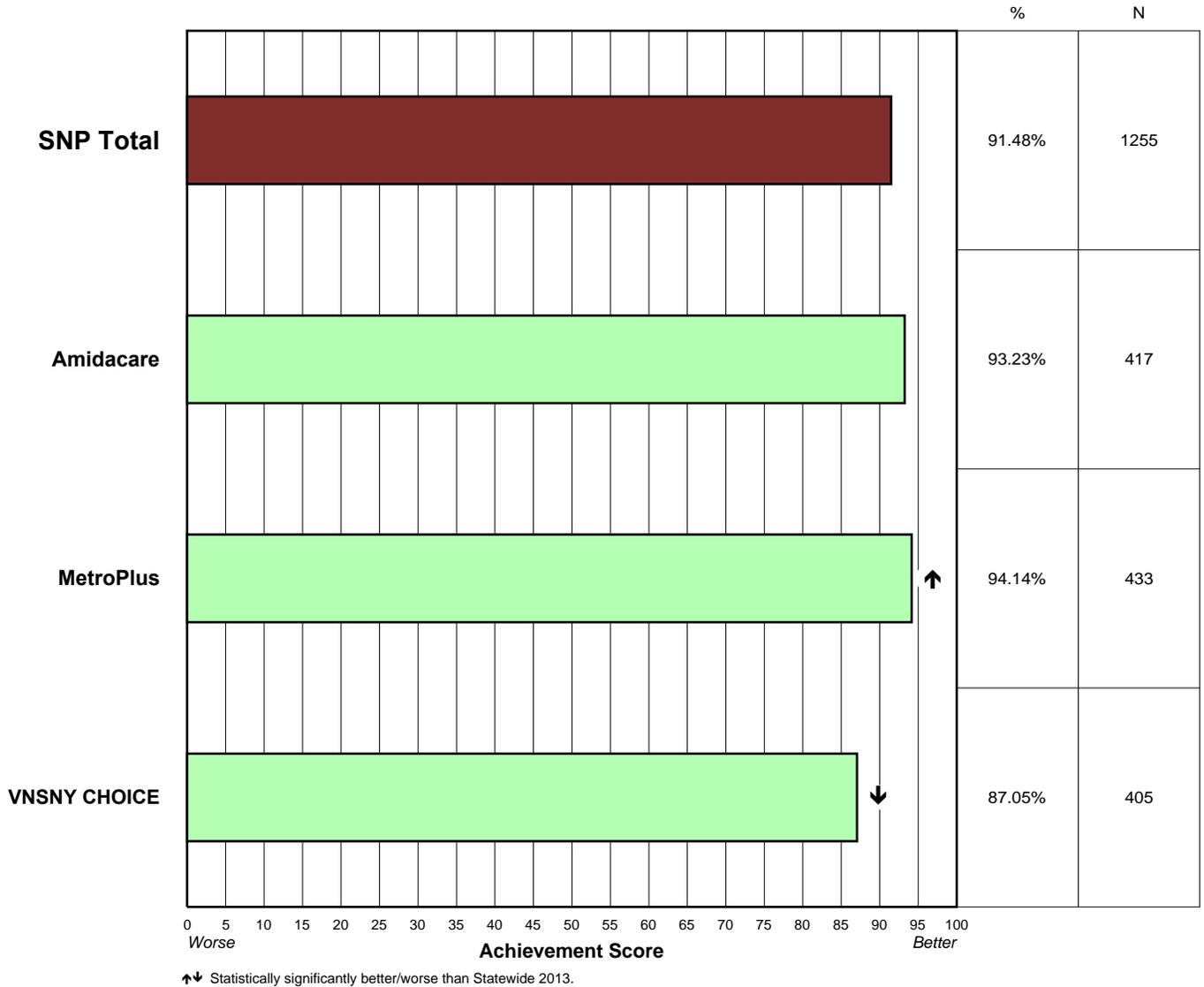


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### Supplemental Questions

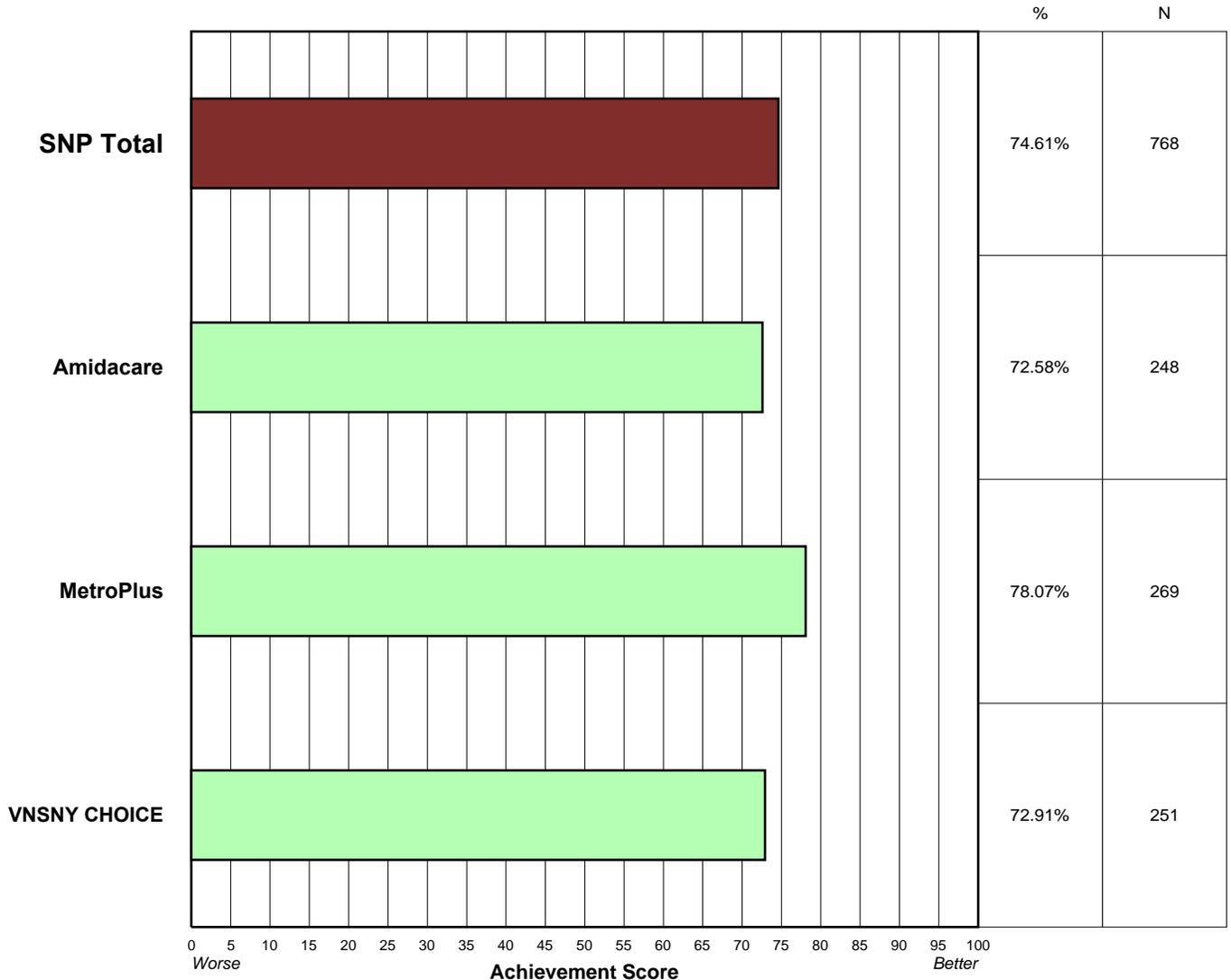
#### Q48. Usually or always easy to get prescription medicine from your health plan



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### Supplemental Questions

**Q51. Have had a flu shot since September 1, 2012 [Displayed for Respondents Age 50+]**



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## Correlation Analysis

The Correlation Analysis section is helpful in understanding how results in various questions relate to the four general ratings (personal doctor, specialist seen most often, all health care, and health plan) for respondents. This allows for evaluation of which questions are most strongly linked to the rating and what the current achievement score is. You can use the section for a quick view of how composite questions correlate across ratings.

The correlation analyses are presented two ways. First there is a table summarizing correlations of the 13 composite questions to the four rating questions ranked by the highest correlation between the question and rating. This allows a visual picture of clustering of composites across ratings. Each question in a composite is represented with the individual question number, the composite name, the achievement score and the correlation value.

### Example:

Looking at where the composites cluster will let you identify areas correlating with ratings. For example if Getting Needed Care and How Well Doctors Communicate have higher correlations across the ratings, you can see how these aspects are important to members and influence how satisfied they are with their providers, their health care or their health plan. Likewise, composites clustered toward the bottom may indicate areas of lower importance to the members. The visual also allows you to see areas where you are performing well or poorly. If you are performing poorly in Getting Needed Care, and it is important to the members' satisfaction with care, this could be a compelling reason to focus on improving this area. It also lets you see how different questions within a composite correlate individually.

The summary is followed by four tables presenting more detailed data on composite questions for each individual rating. The questions are written out and you can see the proportion of responses for each response option. This lets you see where an opportunity for improvement may lie.

### Example:

For example, if a question correlates highly and has higher proportions of "sometimes" and "never", improving the processes may move respondents up to "always" which will improve not only that composite, but the other rating questions.

## Correlation Summary

Corr. Rank	Rating of all health care			Rating of personal doctor			Rating of specialist seen most often			Rating of health plan		
	Question	Score	Correlation	Question	Score	Correlation	Question	Score	Correlation	Question	Score	Correlation
1	Q19 Getting Needed Care	86% ▼	0.61	Q29 Communication	92%	0.64	Q39 Getting Needed Care	68%	0.58	Q43 Customer Service	69%	0.67
2	Q31 Communication	92%	0.48	Q30 Communication	94%	0.59	Q44 Customer Service	85%	0.52	Q44 Customer Service	85%	0.63
3	Q29 Communication	92%	0.47	Q31 Communication	92%	0.56	Q4 Getting Care Quickly	78%	0.48	Q39 Getting Needed Care	68%	0.50
4	Q30 Communication	94%	0.45	Q28 Communication	95%	0.52	Q19 Getting Needed Care	86% ▼	0.47	Q19 Getting Needed Care	86% ▼	0.42
5	Q12 Shared Decision Making	51% ▼	0.43	Q19 Getting Needed Care	86% ▼	0.41	Q7 Getting Care Quickly	82%	0.38	Q31 Communication	92%	0.32
6	Q28 Communication	95%	0.42	Q44 Customer Service	85%	0.36	Q43 Customer Service	69%	0.36	Q12 Shared Decision Making	51% ▼	0.29
7	Q43 Customer Service	69%	0.42	Q14 Shared Decision Making	81%	0.34	Q29 Communication	92%	0.35	Q29 Communication	92%	0.29
8	Q39 Getting Needed Care	68%	0.41	Q12 Shared Decision Making	51% ▼	0.32	Q30 Communication	94%	0.32	Q4 Getting Care Quickly	78%	0.29
9	Q44 Customer Service	85%	0.41	Q39 Getting Needed Care	68%	0.32	Q28 Communication	95%	0.29	Q7 Getting Care Quickly	82%	0.26
10	Q4 Getting Care Quickly	78%	0.35	Q4 Getting Care Quickly	78%	0.30	Q31 Communication	92%	0.29	Q30 Communication	94%	0.23

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### Rating of all health care

Corr. Rank	Question	Correlation w/ Rating of all health care	Achievement Score	Positive Responses ←————→ Negative Responses			
				A Lot / Always	Some / Usually	A Little / Sometimes	Not at all / Never
1	Q19. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests, or treatment you needed?	0.61	86% ▼	62%	24%	13%	2%
2	Q31. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?	0.48	92%	74%	18%	7%	1%
3	Q29. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?	0.47	92%	81%	11%	8%	0%
4	Q30. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?	0.45	94%	84%	11%	5%	0%
5	Q12. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might want to take a medicine?	0.43	51% ▼	52%	33%	15%	1%
6	Q28. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain things in a way that was easy to understand?	0.42	95%	81%	14%	4%	1%
7	Q43. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service give you the information or help you needed?	0.42	69%	48%	21%	22%	9%
8	Q39. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed?	0.41	68%	43%	25%	22%	10%
9	Q44. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?	0.41	85%	63%	21%	11%	5%
10	Q4. In the last 6 months, when you needed care right away, how often did you get care as soon as you needed?	0.35	78%	58%	20%	19%	3%

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## Rating of personal doctor

Corr. Rank	Question	Correlation w/ Rating of personal doctor	Achievement Score	Positive Responses		Negative Responses	
				A Lot / Always / Yes	Some / Usually	A Little / Sometimes	Not at all / Never / No
1	Q29. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?	0.64	92%	81%	11%	8%	0%
2	Q30. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?	0.59	94%	84%	11%	5%	0%
3	Q31. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?	0.56	92%	74%	18%	7%	1%
4	Q28. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain things in a way that was easy to understand?	0.52	95%	81%	14%	4%	1%
5	Q19. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests, or treatment you needed?	0.41	86% ▼	62%	24%	13%	2%
6	Q44. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?	0.36	85%	63%	21%	11%	5%
7	Q14. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, did a doctor or other health provider ask you what you thought was best for you?	0.34	81%	79%	(na)	(na)	21%
8	Q12. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might want to take a medicine?	0.32	51% ▼	52%	33%	15%	1%
9	Q39. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed?	0.32	68%	43%	25%	22%	10%
10	Q4. In the last 6 months, when you needed care right away, how often did you get care as soon as you needed?	0.30	78%	58%	20%	19%	3%

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## Rating of specialist seen most often

Corr. Rank	Question	Correlation w/ Rating of specialist seen most often	Achievement Score	Positive Responses ←————→ Negative Responses			
				Always	Usually	Sometimes	Never
1	Q39. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed?	0.58	68%	43%	25%	22%	10%
2	Q44. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?	0.52	85%	63%	21%	11%	5%
3	Q4. In the last 6 months, when you needed care right away, how often did you get care as soon as you needed?	0.48	78%	58%	20%	19%	3%
4	Q19. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests, or treatment you needed?	0.47	86% ▼	62%	24%	13%	2%
5	Q7. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment for a check-up or routine care at a doctor's office or clinic as soon as you needed?	0.38	82%	60%	22%	15%	2%
6	Q43. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service give you the information or help you needed?	0.36	69%	48%	21%	22%	9%
7	Q29. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?	0.35	92%	81%	11%	8%	0%
8	Q30. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?	0.32	94%	84%	11%	5%	0%
9	Q28. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain things in a way that was easy to understand?	0.29	95%	81%	14%	4%	1%
10	Q31. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?	0.29	92%	74%	18%	7%	1%

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## Rating of health plan

Corr. Rank	Question	Correlation w/ Rating of health plan	Achievement Score	Positive Responses		Negative Responses	
				A Lot / Always	Some / Usually	A Little / Sometimes	Not at all / Never
1	Q43. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service give you the information or help you needed?	0.67	69%	48%	21%	22%	9%
2	Q44. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?	0.63	85%	63%	21%	11%	5%
3	Q39. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed?	0.50	68%	43%	25%	22%	10%
4	Q19. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests, or treatment you needed?	0.42	86% ▼	62%	24%	13%	2%
5	Q31. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?	0.32	92%	74%	18%	7%	1%
6	Q12. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might want to take a medicine?	0.29	51% ▼	52%	33%	15%	1%
7	Q29. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?	0.29	92%	81%	11%	8%	0%
8	Q4. In the last 6 months, when you needed care right away, how often did you get care as soon as you needed?	0.29	78%	58%	20%	19%	3%
9	Q7. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment for a check-up or routine care at a doctor's office or clinic as soon as you needed?	0.26	82%	60%	22%	15%	2%
10	Q30. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?	0.23	94%	84%	11%	5%	0%

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## Responses by Question

**Q1. Our records show that you are now in [Health Plan Name]. Is that right?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	1,559	100.0%	482	100.0%
No	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	1,559	100.0%	482	100.0%
Not Answered	90		38	

### *Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months*

**Q3. In the last 6 months, did you have an illness, injury or condition that needed care right away in a clinic, emergency room or doctor's office?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	608	38.4%	204	40.7%
No	974	61.6%	297	59.3%
<b>Total</b>	1,582	100.0%	501	100.0%
Not Answered	67		19	

**Q4. In the last 6 months, when you needed care right away, how often did you get care as soon as you needed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	20	3.4%	5	2.5%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	86	14.5%	38	19.1%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	121	20.4%	40	20.1%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	365	61.7%	116	58.3%
<b>Total</b>	592	100.0%	199	100.0%
Not Answered	16		5	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Getting Care Quickly			
Achievement Score	82.06%		77.84%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	-0.7		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.345		0.288	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

- Q5. In the last 6 months, when you tried to get an appointment for care you needed right away, how long did you usually have to wait between trying to get an appointment and actually seeing someone?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Same day	212	36.9%	71	36.8%
1 day	55	9.6%	14	7.3%
2-3 days	106	18.4%	34	17.6%
4-7 days	77	13.4%	32	16.6%
8-14 days	47	8.2%	17	8.8%
15 days or longer	78	13.6%	25	13.0%
<b>Total</b>	575	100.0%	193	100.0%
Not Answered	33		11	

- Q6. In the last 6 months, did you make any appointments for a check-up or routine care at a doctor's office or clinic?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	1,423	90.4%	457	91.6%
No	151	9.6%	42	8.4%
<b>Total</b>	1,574	100.0%	499	100.0%
Not Answered	75		21	

- Q7. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment for a check-up or routine care at a doctor's office or clinic as soon as you needed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	28	2.0%	10	2.3%
● Sometimes	176	12.7%	68	15.3%
● Usually	297	21.5%	97	21.9%
● Always	881	63.7%	268	60.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,382	100.0%	443	100.0%
Not Answered	41		14	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Getting Care Quickly</b>			
Achievement Score	85.17%		82.47%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.6		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.240		0.261	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q8. In the last 6 months, not counting the times you went to an emergency room, how many times did you go to a doctor's office or clinic to get health care for yourself?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
None	186	12.8%	54	11.7%
1 time	209	14.4%	63	13.7%
2	350	24.1%	119	25.9%
3	221	15.2%	79	17.2%
4	138	9.5%	48	10.4%
5 to 9	246	16.9%	68	14.8%
10 or more times	103	7.1%	29	6.3%
<b>Total</b>	1,453	100.0%	460	100.0%
Not Answered	196		60	

**Q9. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about specific things you could do to prevent illness?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	1,102	87.9%	354	87.4%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	152	12.1%	51	12.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,254	100.0%	405	100.0%
Not Answered	13		1	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Single Items			
Achievement Score	87.86%		87.51%	

**Q10a. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about... A healthy diet and eating habits?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	972	80.1%	292	76.0%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	242	19.9%	92	24.0%
<b>Total</b>	1,214	100.0%	384	100.0%
Not Answered	53		22	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	80.07%		76.04%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+1.8		-	

Response scored as:  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q10b. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about... Exercise or physical activity?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	927	77.0%	290	75.3%
● No	277	23.0%	95	24.7%
<b>Total</b>	1,204	100.0%	385	100.0%
Not Answered	63		21	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	76.99%		75.32%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.8		-	

**Q10c. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about... Things in your life that worry you or cause you stress?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	929	77.8%	299	78.1%
● No	265	22.2%	84	21.9%
<b>Total</b>	1,194	100.0%	383	100.0%
Not Answered	73		23	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	77.81%		78.07%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+8.1↑		-	

**Q10d. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about... Whether there was a period of time when you felt sad, empty or depressed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	861	71.9%	265	68.8%
● No	337	28.1%	120	31.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,198	100.0%	385	100.0%
Not Answered	69		21	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	71.87%		68.83%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+5.1↑		-	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q10e. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about... Smoking or using tobacco products?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	789	65.6%	249	64.2%
● No	413	34.4%	139	35.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,202	100.0%	388	100.0%
Not Answered	65		18	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score 2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	65.64%		64.18%	
	+6.6↑		-	

**Q10f. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about... Alcohol or other drug use?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	661	56.1%	203	53.8%
● No	517	43.9%	174	46.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,178	100.0%	377	100.0%
Not Answered	89		29	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score 2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	56.11%		53.85%	
	+5.6↑		-	

**Q11. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about starting or stopping a prescription medicine?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	521	42.5%	167	42.5%
No	706	57.5%	226	57.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,227	100.0%	393	100.0%
Not Answered	40		13	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q12. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might want to take a medicine?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Not at all	12	2.4%	1	0.6%
● A little	58	11.4%	25	15.1%
● Some	143	28.2%	54	32.5%
● A lot	294	58.0%	86	51.8%
<b>Total</b>	507	100.0%	166	100.0%
Not Answered	14		1	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Shared Decision Making			
Achievement Score	57.81%		51.47%	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.186		0.292	

**Q13. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might not want to take a medicine?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Not at all	74	14.6%	23	13.9%
● A little	90	17.7%	33	20.0%
● Some	143	28.1%	59	35.8%
● A lot	201	39.6%	50	30.3%
<b>Total</b>	508	100.0%	165	100.0%
Not Answered	13		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Shared Decision Making			
Achievement Score	39.62%		31.79%	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.155		0.123	

**Q14. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, did a doctor or other health provider ask you what you thought was best for you?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	437	84.7%	131	79.4%
● No	79	15.3%	34	20.6%
<b>Total</b>	516	100.0%	165	100.0%
Not Answered	5		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Shared Decision Making			
Achievement Score	84.67%		80.52%	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.231		0.229	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q15. In the last 6 months, did a doctor or other health provider order a blood test, x-ray or other test for you?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	1,186	95.2%	372	93.2%
No	60	4.8%	27	6.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,246	100.0%	399	100.0%
Not Answered	21		7	

**Q16. When a doctor or other health provider ordered a blood test, x-ray or other test for you, how often did someone from this doctor's office follow up to give you those results?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Never	58	4.9%	25	6.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sometimes	82	7.0%	27	7.3%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	163	13.9%	51	13.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	870	74.2%	266	72.1%
<b>Total</b>	1,173	100.0%	369	100.0%
Not Answered	13		3	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	88.01%		85.80%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	-0.1		-	

**Q17. In the last 6 months, how often were the results of your blood test, x-ray or other test easy to understand?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Never	29	2.5%	10	2.7%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sometimes	117	10.0%	40	10.9%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	220	18.9%	84	22.9%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	800	68.6%	233	63.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,166	100.0%	367	100.0%
Not Answered	20		5	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	87.45%		86.16%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.8		-	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q18. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health care possible and 10 is the best health care possible, what number would you use to rate all your health care in the last 6 months?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Worst health care possible	3	0.2%	1	0.3%
<input type="radio"/> 1	5	0.4%	2	0.5%
<input type="radio"/> 2	7	0.6%	2	0.5%
<input type="radio"/> 3	10	0.8%	3	0.8%
<input type="radio"/> 4	14	1.1%	7	1.8%
<input type="radio"/> 5	58	4.7%	24	6.1%
<input type="radio"/> 6	55	4.4%	18	4.6%
<input type="radio"/> 7	105	8.5%	35	8.9%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> 8	262	21.2%	87	22.0%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> 9	175	14.1%	49	12.4%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Best health care possible	544	43.9%	167	42.3%
<b>Total</b>	1,238	100.0%	395	100.0%
Not Answered	29		11	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Ratings</b>			
Achievement Score	79.19%		76.95%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+2.2		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.561		0.610	

**Q19. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests, or treatment you needed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	23	1.8%	6	1.5%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	117	9.4%	50	12.6%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	310	24.9%	96	24.1%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	797	63.9%	246	61.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,247	100.0%	398	100.0%
Not Answered	20		8	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Getting Needed Care</b>			
Achievement Score	88.71%		85.89%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+8.5↑		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.422		0.421	

Response scored as:  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q20.** In the last 6 months, did you need any emotional or mental health treatment or counseling for a personal or family problem?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	530	33.9%	173	35.4%
No	1,032	66.1%	316	64.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,562	100.0%	489	100.0%
Not Answered	87		31	

**Q21.** In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the emotional or mental health treatment or counseling you needed through your health plan?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	55	10.6%	18	10.7%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	68	13.2%	25	14.9%
<input type="radio"/> Usually	116	22.4%	32	19.0%
<input type="radio"/> Always	278	53.8%	93	55.4%
<b>Total</b>	517	100.0%	168	100.0%
Not Answered	13		5	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Supplemental Questions</b>			
Achievement Score	76.13%		74.48%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	-1.5		-	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

- Q22.** Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst treatment or counseling possible and 10 is the best treatment or counseling possible, what number would you use to rate all your emotional or mental health treatment or counseling in the last 6 months?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Worst treatment possible	23	4.5%	7	4.2%
● 1	7	1.4%	2	1.2%
● 2	8	1.6%	4	2.4%
● 3	11	2.2%	1	0.6%
● 4	17	3.3%	5	3.0%
● 5	35	6.9%	12	7.3%
● 6	22	4.3%	10	6.1%
● 7	49	9.6%	18	10.9%
● 8	68	13.4%	19	11.5%
● 9	78	15.3%	31	18.8%
● Best treatment possible	191	37.5%	56	33.9%
<b>Total</b>	509	100.0%	165	100.0%
Not Answered	21		8	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Supplemental Questions</b>			
Achievement Score	66.13%		63.89%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	-1.7		-	

- Q23.** In the last 6 months, did you need any treatment or counseling for alcohol use, drug use or other addiction?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	177	11.3%	55	11.1%
No	1,390	88.7%	440	88.9%
<b>Total</b>	1,567	100.0%	495	100.0%
Not Answered	82		25	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Health Care in the Last 6 Months (continued)

**Q24.** In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the alcohol, drug or addiction treatment or counseling you needed through your health plan?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	17	9.8%	7	12.7%
● Sometimes	23	13.2%	8	14.5%
● Usually	35	20.1%	14	25.5%
● Always	99	56.9%	26	47.3%
<b>Total</b>	174	100.0%	55	100.0%
Not Answered	3		0	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	76.94%		74.04%	

**Q25.** Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst treatment or counseling possible and 10 is the best treatment or counseling possible, what number would you use to rate all your alcohol, drug or addiction treatment or counseling in the last 6 months?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Worst treatment possible	12	7.1%	5	9.4%
● 1	1	0.6%	0	0.0%
● 2	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
● 3	2	1.2%	1	1.9%
● 4	7	4.1%	0	0.0%
● 5	13	7.7%	5	9.4%
● 6	7	4.1%	5	9.4%
● 7	20	11.8%	5	9.4%
● 8	27	16.0%	10	18.9%
● 9	20	11.8%	8	15.1%
● Best treatment possible	60	35.5%	14	26.4%
<b>Total</b>	169	100.0%	53	100.0%
Not Answered	8		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	63.37%		61.57%	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

## Your Personal Doctor

**Q26.** A personal doctor is the one you would see if you need a check-up, want advice about a health problem, or get sick or hurt. Do you have a personal doctor?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	1,429	92.1%	455	93.4%
No	122	7.9%	32	6.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,551	100.0%	487	100.0%
Not Answered	98		33	

**Q27.** In the last 6 months, how many times did you visit your personal doctor to get care for yourself?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
None	44	3.3%	20	4.7%
1 time	189	14.2%	66	15.4%
2	450	33.8%	148	34.6%
3	224	16.8%	74	17.3%
4	108	8.1%	29	6.8%
5 to 9	234	17.6%	76	17.8%
10 or more times	83	6.2%	15	3.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,332	100.0%	428	100.0%
Not Answered	97		27	

**Q28.** In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain things in a way that was easy to understand?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Never	9	0.7%	3	0.7%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sometimes	52	4.1%	18	4.4%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	159	12.4%	57	14.1%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	1,060	82.8%	327	80.7%
<b>Total</b>	1,280	100.0%	405	100.0%
Not Answered	8		3	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Communication</b>			
Achievement Score	95.22%		94.61%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+1.5		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.198		0.168	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

**Your Personal Doctor** (continued)

**Q29. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	8	0.6%	1	0.2%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	70	5.5%	31	7.7%
<input type="radio"/> Usually	126	9.9%	45	11.1%
<input type="radio"/> Always	1,074	84.0%	328	81.0%
<b>Total</b>	1,278	100.0%	405	100.0%
Not Answered	10		3	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Communication			
Achievement Score	93.85%		92.01%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.5		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.253		0.289	

**Q30. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	10	0.8%	2	0.5%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	55	4.3%	21	5.2%
<input type="radio"/> Usually	113	8.8%	43	10.6%
<input type="radio"/> Always	1,103	86.1%	340	83.7%
<b>Total</b>	1,281	100.0%	406	100.0%
Not Answered	7		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Communication			
Achievement Score	94.91%		94.19%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.5		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.245		0.230	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Personal Doctor (continued)

**Q31. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	16	1.3%	3	0.7%
● Sometimes	81	6.3%	30	7.4%
● Usually	220	17.2%	74	18.3%
● Always	961	75.2%	297	73.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,278	100.0%	404	100.0%
Not Answered	10		4	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Communication			
Achievement Score	92.40%		91.76%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.5		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.315		0.325	

**Q32. In the last 6 months, did you see your personal doctor for a specific illness or for any health condition?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	1,011	79.8%	328	81.6%
No	256	20.2%	74	18.4%
<b>Total</b>	1,267	100.0%	402	100.0%
Not Answered	21		6	

**Q33. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor give you easy to understand instructions about what to do to take care of this illness or health condition?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	10	1.0%	3	0.9%
● Sometimes	34	3.4%	12	3.7%
● Usually	136	13.6%	51	15.6%
● Always	820	82.0%	260	79.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,000	100.0%	326	100.0%
Not Answered	11		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	95.59%		95.38%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.7		-	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Personal Doctor (continued)

**Q34. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain what to do if this illness or health condition got worse or came back?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	39	3.9%	12	3.7%
● Sometimes	48	4.8%	18	5.6%
● Usually	139	14.0%	52	16.0%
● Always	770	77.3%	242	74.7%
<b>Total</b>	996	100.0%	324	100.0%
Not Answered	15		4	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	91.26%		90.63%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+4.3↑		-	

**Q35. In the last 6 months, did you get care from a doctor or other health provider besides your personal doctor?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	642	50.7%	222	55.2%
No	624	49.3%	180	44.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,266	100.0%	402	100.0%
Not Answered	22		6	

**Q36. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor seem informed and up-to-date about the care you got from these doctors or other health providers?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	30	4.7%	10	4.6%
● Sometimes	50	7.9%	17	7.8%
● Usually	107	16.8%	32	14.7%
● Always	449	70.6%	159	72.9%
<b>Total</b>	636	100.0%	218	100.0%
Not Answered	6		4	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Single Items			
Achievement Score	87.45%		87.54%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+4.9↑		-	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Your Personal Doctor (continued)

**Q37.** Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst personal doctor possible and 10 is the best personal doctor possible, what number would you use to rate your personal doctor?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Worst personal doctor possible	5	0.4%	0	0.0%
● 1	3	0.2%	2	0.5%
● 2	4	0.3%	1	0.2%
● 3	7	0.5%	2	0.5%
● 4	17	1.2%	8	1.8%
● 5	29	2.1%	13	2.9%
● 6	23	1.7%	9	2.0%
● 7	56	4.0%	16	3.6%
● 8	140	10.1%	49	11.1%
● 9	185	13.3%	53	12.0%
● Best personal doctor possible	921	66.3%	288	65.3%
<b>Total</b>	1,390	100.0%	441	100.0%
Not Answered	39		14	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Ratings</b>			
Achievement Score	89.61%		88.35%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+3.3↑		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.379		0.428	

### Getting Health Care From Specialists

**Q38.** Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy doctors, skin doctors, and other doctors who specialize in one area of health care. In the last 6 months, did you make any appointments to see a specialist?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	756	49.5%	248	51.6%
No	770	50.5%	233	48.4%
<b>Total</b>	1,526	100.0%	481	100.0%
Not Answered	123		39	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Getting Health Care From Specialists (continued)

**Q39. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment to see a specialist as soon as you needed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	58	7.8%	24	9.8%
● Sometimes	157	21.0%	54	22.1%
● Usually	199	26.6%	62	25.4%
● Always	333	44.6%	104	42.6%
<b>Total</b>	747	100.0%	244	100.0%
Not Answered	9		4	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Getting Needed Care			
Achievement Score	71.07%		68.24%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+2.7		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.414		0.503	

**Q40. How many specialists have you seen in the last 6 months?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
None	91	12.3%	29	11.9%
1 specialist	281	38.0%	99	40.6%
2	203	27.4%	65	26.6%
3	106	14.3%	36	14.8%
4	29	3.9%	7	2.9%
5 or more specialists	30	4.1%	8	3.3%
<b>Total</b>	740	100.0%	244	100.0%
Not Answered	16		4	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

### Getting Health Care From Specialists (continued)

**Q41.** We want to know your rating of the specialist you saw most often in the last 6 months. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst specialist possible and 10 is the best specialist possible, what number would you use to rate that specialist?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Worst specialist possible	8	1.2%	6	2.8%
● 1	4	0.6%	2	0.9%
● 2	5	0.8%	1	0.5%
● 3	15	2.3%	7	3.3%
● 4	16	2.5%	5	2.3%
● 5	37	5.7%	13	6.0%
● 6	31	4.8%	6	2.8%
● 7	51	7.9%	13	6.0%
● 8	121	18.8%	40	18.6%
● 9	104	16.1%	36	16.7%
● Best specialist possible	253	39.2%	86	40.0%
<b>Total</b>	645	100.0%	215	100.0%
Not Answered	4		0	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Ratings</b>			
Achievement Score	74.17%		75.26%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+10.5↑		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.407		0.458	

### Your Health Plan

**Q42.** In the last 6 months, did you get information or help from your health plan's customer service?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	535	34.9%	157	32.4%
No	1,000	65.1%	328	67.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,535	100.0%	485	100.0%
Not Answered	114		35	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

**Your Health Plan (continued)**

**Q43. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service give you the information or help you needed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	37	7.1%	14	9.0%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	103	19.7%	34	21.9%
<input type="radio"/> Usually	106	20.2%	33	21.3%
<input type="radio"/> Always	278	53.1%	74	47.7%
<b>Total</b>	524	100.0%	155	100.0%
Not Answered	11		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Customer Service			
Achievement Score	73.09%		69.44%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	-2.4		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.621		0.668	

**Q44. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input type="radio"/> Never	10	1.9%	7	4.5%
<input type="radio"/> Sometimes	48	9.1%	17	11.0%
<input type="radio"/> Usually	97	18.4%	33	21.3%
<input type="radio"/> Always	371	70.5%	98	63.2%
<b>Total</b>	526	100.0%	155	100.0%
Not Answered	9		2	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Customer Service			
Achievement Score	88.74%		85.36%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+1.6		-	
Correlation with Health Plan Satisfaction	0.588		0.633	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

### Your Health Plan (continued)

**Q45. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health plan possible and 10 is the best health plan possible, what number would you use to rate your health plan?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Worst health plan possible	17	1.1%	8	1.6%
● 1	13	0.8%	8	1.6%
● 2	10	0.6%	3	0.6%
● 3	18	1.2%	6	1.2%
● 4	26	1.7%	11	2.3%
● 5	84	5.4%	40	8.2%
● 6	79	5.1%	29	6.0%
● 7	134	8.7%	40	8.2%
● 8	261	16.9%	82	16.8%
● 9	229	14.8%	67	13.8%
● Best health plan possible	673	43.6%	193	39.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,544	100.0%	487	100.0%
Not Answered	105		33	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Ratings</b>			
Achievement Score	75.17%		70.91%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+4.8↑		-	

**Q46. Would you recommend your health plan to your family and friends?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Yes	1,326	85.8%	381	77.9%
● No	220	14.2%	108	22.1%
<b>Total</b>	1,546	100.0%	489	100.0%
Not Answered	103		31	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	<b>Supplemental Questions</b>			
Achievement Score	85.54%		78.22%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+0.5		-	

**Q47. In the past 6 months, did you get any new prescription medicines or refill a prescription?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	1,278	83.1%	409	84.5%
No	260	16.9%	75	15.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,538	100.0%	484	100.0%
Not Answered	111		36	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

## Your Health Plan (continued)

**Q48. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get your prescription medicine from your health plan?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
● Never	18	1.4%	12	3.0%
● Sometimes	88	7.0%	41	10.1%
● Usually	206	16.4%	74	18.3%
● Always	943	75.1%	278	68.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,255	100.0%	405	100.0%
Not Answered	23		4	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	91.48%		87.05%	

## About You

**Q49. In general, how would you rate your overall health?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Excellent	264	16.9%	76	15.4%
Very Good	367	23.5%	118	23.9%
Good	512	32.8%	171	34.7%
Fair	350	22.4%	106	21.5%
Poor	67	4.3%	22	4.5%
<b>Total</b>	1,560	100.0%	493	100.0%
Not Answered	89		27	

**Q50. In general, how would you rate your overall mental or emotional health?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Excellent	323	20.7%	89	18.0%
Very Good	315	20.2%	111	22.4%
Good	478	30.6%	150	30.3%
Fair	392	25.1%	129	26.1%
Poor	54	3.5%	16	3.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,562	100.0%	495	100.0%
Not Answered	87		25	

○ **Response scored as:** ● Achievement ● Room for improvement

**About You (continued)****Q51. Have you had a flu shot since September 1, 2012? [Displayed for Respondents Age 50+]**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	573	74.6%	183	72.9%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	195	25.4%	68	27.1%
Don't Know	7		4	
<b>Total</b>	768	100.0%	251	100.0%
Not Answered	40		15	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Supplemental Questions			
Achievement Score	74.61%		72.91%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+2.1		-	

**Q52. Do you now smoke cigarettes or use tobacco every day, some days or not at all?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Every day	446	29.2%	132	27.3%
Some days	288	18.8%	88	18.2%
Not at all	794	52.0%	264	54.5%
Don't Know	21		6	
<b>Total</b>	1,528	100.0%	484	100.0%
Not Answered	100		30	

**Q53. In the last 6 months, how often were you advised to quit smoking or using tobacco by a doctor or other health provider in your plan?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Never	50	6.9%	17	7.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sometimes	136	18.8%	41	18.9%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	123	17.0%	42	19.4%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	416	57.4%	117	53.9%
<b>Total</b>	725	100.0%	217	100.0%
Not Answered	9		3	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation			
Achievement Score	93.10%		92.17%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+2.0		-	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

**About You (continued)**

- Q54.** In the last 6 months, how often was medication recommended or discussed by a doctor or health provider to assist you with quitting smoking or using tobacco? Examples of medication are: nicotine gum, patch, nasal spray, inhaler, or prescription medication.

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Never	148	20.6%	50	23.4%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sometimes	161	22.4%	44	20.6%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	128	17.8%	42	19.6%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	282	39.2%	78	36.4%
<b>Total</b>	719	100.0%	214	100.0%
Not Answered	15		6	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation			
Achievement Score	79.42%		76.64%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	-2.8		-	

- Q55.** In the last 6 months, how often did your doctor or health provider discuss or provide methods and strategies other than medication to assist you with quitting smoking or using tobacco? Examples of methods and strategies are: telephone helpline, individual or group counseling, or cessation program.

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Never	179	25.4%	59	27.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Sometimes	160	22.7%	42	19.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Usually	132	18.8%	42	19.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Always	233	33.1%	69	32.5%
<b>Total</b>	704	100.0%	212	100.0%
Not Answered	30		8	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Medical Assistance with Smoking Cessation			
Achievement Score	74.57%		72.17%	
2013 vs. 2011: +/- Change (↑↓ Stat. sig.)	+2.1		-	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

**About You (continued)**

**Q56. Do you take aspirin daily or every other day? [NOTE: Data presented for eligible respondents determined by NCQA scoring guidelines.]**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	86	27.5%	31	31.3%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	227	72.5%	68	68.7%
Don't know	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
<b>Total</b>	313	100.0%	99	100.0%
Not Answered	0		0	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Aspirin Use and Discussion			
Achievement Score	27.60%		31.31%	

**Q57. Do you have a health problem or take medication that makes taking aspirin unsafe for you?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	187	13.6%	50	11.7%
No	1,192	86.4%	378	88.3%
Don't know	177		61	
<b>Total</b>	1,379	100.0%	428	100.0%
Not Answered	93		31	

**Q58. Has a doctor or health provider ever discussed with you the risks and benefits of aspirin to prevent heart attack or stroke? [NOTE: Data presented for eligible respondents determined by NCQA scoring guidelines.]**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes	292	51.7%	94	52.8%
<input checked="" type="radio"/> No	273	48.3%	84	47.2%
<b>Total</b>	565	100.0%	178	100.0%
Not Answered	0		0	
<b>Reporting Category</b>	Aspirin Use and Discussion			
Achievement Score	51.73%		52.54%	

**Q59.1. Are you aware that you have any of the following conditions? Response: High cholesterol**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	532	48.0%	158	45.9%
No	577	52.0%	186	54.1%
<b>Total</b>	1,109	100.0%	344	100.0%
Not Answered	540		176	

**Response scored as:**  Achievement  Room for improvement

**About You (continued)****Q59.2. Are you aware that you have any of the following conditions? Response: High blood pressure**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	601	54.2%	209	60.8%
No	508	45.8%	135	39.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,109	100.0%	344	100.0%
Not Answered	540		176	

**Q59.3. Are you aware that you have any of the following conditions? Response: Parent or sibling with heart attack before the age of 60**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	268	24.2%	80	23.3%
No	841	75.8%	264	76.7%
<b>Total</b>	1,109	100.0%	344	100.0%
Not Answered	540		176	

**Q60.1. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any of the following conditions? Response: A heart attack**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	77	12.7%	22	11.9%
No	531	87.3%	163	88.1%
<b>Total</b>	608	100.0%	185	100.0%
Not Answered	1,041		335	

**Q60.2. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any of the following conditions? Response: Angina or coronary heart disease**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	72	11.8%	28	15.1%
No	536	88.2%	157	84.9%
<b>Total</b>	608	100.0%	185	100.0%
Not Answered	1,041		335	

**About You (continued)****Q60.3. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any of the following conditions? Response: A stroke**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	73	12.0%	25	13.5%
No	535	88.0%	160	86.5%
<b>Total</b>	608	100.0%	185	100.0%
Not Answered	1,041		335	

**Q60.4. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any of the following conditions? Response: Any kind of diabetes or high blood sugar**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	310	51.0%	87	47.0%
No	298	49.0%	98	53.0%
<b>Total</b>	608	100.0%	185	100.0%
Not Answered	1,041		335	

**Q61a. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Cancer?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	62	5.4%	24	6.7%
No	1,092	94.6%	335	93.3%
<b>Total</b>	1,154	100.0%	359	100.0%
Not Answered	495		161	

**Q61b. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Arthritis?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	451	36.6%	137	36.9%
No	780	63.4%	234	63.1%
<b>Total</b>	1,231	100.0%	371	100.0%
Not Answered	418		149	

**About You (continued)****Q61c. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Asthma?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	407	32.9%	134	34.1%
No	830	67.1%	259	65.9%
<b>Total</b>	1,237	100.0%	393	100.0%
Not Answered	412		127	

**Q61d. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Overweight?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	346	28.8%	124	33.9%
No	856	71.2%	242	66.1%
<b>Total</b>	1,202	100.0%	366	100.0%
Not Answered	447		154	

**Q61e. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Depression?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	663	50.3%	221	52.6%
No	656	49.7%	199	47.4%
<b>Total</b>	1,319	100.0%	420	100.0%
Not Answered	330		100	

**Q61f. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Drinking or other drug problems?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	159	13.3%	48	12.8%
No	1,041	86.8%	327	87.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,200	100.0%	375	100.0%
Not Answered	449		145	

**About You (continued)****Q61g. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Emotional problems or mental illness?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	430	34.5%	133	34.2%
No	815	65.5%	256	65.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,245	100.0%	389	100.0%
Not Answered	404		131	

**Q61h. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now ... Other medical conditions lasting more than three months?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	867	63.8%	290	67.4%
No	493	36.3%	140	32.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,360	100.0%	430	100.0%
Not Answered	289		90	

**Q62. What is your age?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
18 to 24	26	1.6%	8	1.5%
25 to 34	110	6.7%	33	6.3%
35 to 44	258	15.6%	87	16.7%
45 to 54	720	43.7%	210	40.4%
55 to 64	518	31.4%	176	33.8%
65 or older	17	1.0%	6	1.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,649	100.0%	520	100.0%
Not Answered	0		0	

**Q63. Are you male or female?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Male	1,013	61.4%	313	60.2%
Female	636	38.6%	207	39.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,649	100.0%	520	100.0%
Not Answered	0		0	

**About You (continued)****Q64. What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
8th grade or less	171	11.0%	48	9.7%
Some high school but did not graduate	438	28.2%	139	28.0%
High school graduate or GED	442	28.4%	124	24.9%
Some college or 2-year degree	343	22.1%	121	24.3%
4-year college graduate	105	6.8%	42	8.5%
More than 4-year college degree	56	3.6%	23	4.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,555	100.0%	497	100.0%
Not Answered	94		23	

**Q65. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes, Hispanic or Latino	654	43.5%	225	47.1%
No, Not Hispanic or Latino	850	56.5%	253	52.9%
<b>Total</b>	1,504	100.0%	478	100.0%
Not Answered	145		42	

**Q66.1. What is your race? Response: White.**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	295	19.8%	101	21.2%
No	1,196	80.2%	375	78.8%
<b>Total</b>	1,491	100.0%	476	100.0%
Not Answered	158		44	

**Q66.2. What is your race? Response: Black or African-American.**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	755	50.6%	224	47.1%
No	736	49.4%	252	52.9%
<b>Total</b>	1,491	100.0%	476	100.0%
Not Answered	158		44	

**About You (continued)****Q66.3. What is your race? Response: Asian.**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	23	1.5%	5	1.1%
No	1,468	98.5%	471	98.9%
<b>Total</b>	1,491	100.0%	476	100.0%
Not Answered	158		44	

**Q66.4. What is your race? Response: Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander.**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	13	0.9%	6	1.3%
No	1,478	99.1%	470	98.7%
<b>Total</b>	1,491	100.0%	476	100.0%
Not Answered	158		44	

**Q66.5. What is your race? Response: American Indian or Alaskan Native.**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	47	3.2%	18	3.8%
No	1,444	96.8%	458	96.2%
<b>Total</b>	1,491	100.0%	476	100.0%
Not Answered	158		44	

**Q66.6. What is your race? Response: Other.**

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
Yes	425	28.5%	152	31.9%
No	1,066	71.5%	324	68.1%
<b>Total</b>	1,491	100.0%	476	100.0%
Not Answered	158		44	

**About You** (continued)

Q67. What language do you mainly speak at home?

	SNP Total		VNSNY CHOICE	
	N	%	N	%
English	1,082	73.0%	341	73.0%
Spanish	258	17.4%	91	19.5%
English and Spanish equally	108	7.3%	31	6.6%
Russian	3	0.2%	1	0.2%
Mandarin	2	0.1%	0	0.0%
Cantonese	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Some Other Language	30	2.0%	3	0.6%
<b>Total</b>	1,483	100.0%	467	100.0%
Not Answered	166		53	



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**SURVEY INSTRUCTIONS**

- ▶ Please be sure to fill the response circle completely. Use only black or blue ink or dark pencil to complete the survey.

Correct Mark 

Incorrect Marks   

- ▶ You are sometimes told to skip over some questions in the survey. When this happens you will see an arrow with a note that tells you what question to answer next, like this:

- Yes → *Go to Question 1*
- No

↓ **START HERE** ↓

1. Our records show that you are now in [HEALTH PLAN NAME]. Is that right?

- Yes → *Go to Question 3*
- No → *Go to Question 2*

2. What is the name of your health plan? (please print)

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## YOUR HEALTH CARE IN THE LAST 6 MONTHS

These questions ask about your own health care. Do **not** include care you got when you stayed overnight in a hospital. Do **not** include the times you went for dental care visits.

3. In the last 6 months, did you have an illness, injury, or condition that **needed care right away** in a clinic, emergency room, or doctor's office?
  - Yes → *Go to Question 4*
  - No → *Go to Question 6*
  
4. In the last 6 months, when you **needed care right away**, how often did you get care as soon as you thought you needed?
  - Never
  - Sometimes
  - Usually
  - Always
  
5. In the last 6 months, when you tried to get an appointment for care you **needed right away**, how long did you usually have to wait between trying to get an appointment and actually seeing someone?
  - Same day
  - 1 day
  - 2-3 days
  - 4-7 days
  - 8-14 days
  - 15 days or longer
  
6. In the last 6 months, did you make any appointments for a **check-up or routine care** at a doctor's office or clinic?
  - Yes → *Go to Question 7*
  - No → *Go to Question 8*
  
7. In the last 6 months, how often did you get an appointment for a **check-up or routine care** at a doctor's office or clinic as soon as you thought you needed?
  - Never
  - Sometimes
  - Usually
  - Always

8. In the last 6 months, **not** counting the times you went to an emergency room, how many times did you go to a doctor's office or clinic to get health care for yourself?
  - None → *Go to Question 20*
  - 1 → *Go to Question 9*
  - 2 → *Go to Question 9*
  - 3 → *Go to Question 9*
  - 4 → *Go to Question 9*
  - 5 to 9 → *Go to Question 9*
  - 10 or more → *Go to Question 9*

- None → *Go to Question 20*
- 1 → *Go to Question 9*
- 2 → *Go to Question 9*
- 3 → *Go to Question 9*
- 4 → *Go to Question 9*
- 5 to 9 → *Go to Question 9*
- 10 or more → *Go to Question 9*

9. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about specific things you could do to prevent illness?
  - Yes
  - No

- Yes
- No

10. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health provider talk about any of the following?

	Yes	No
a. Healthy diet and eating habits	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Exercise or physical activity	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Things in your life that worry you or cause you stress	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Whether you felt sad, empty, or depressed	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Smoking or using tobacco products	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Alcohol or other drug use	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

11. In the last 6 months, did you and a doctor or other health care provider talk about starting or stopping a prescription medicine?
  - Yes → *Go to Question 12*
  - No → *Go to Question 15*

- Yes → *Go to Question 12*
- No → *Go to Question 15*

12. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might want to take a medicine?

- Not at all
- A little
- Some
- A lot

13. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, how much did a doctor or other health provider talk about the reasons you might not want to take a medicine?

- Not at all
- A little
- Some
- A lot

14. When you talked about starting or stopping a prescription medicine, did a doctor or other health provider ask you what was best for you?

- Yes
- No

15. In the last 6 months, did a doctor or other health provider order a blood test, x-ray or other test for you?

- Yes → *Go to Question 16*
- No → *Go to Question 18*

16. When a doctor or other health provider ordered a blood test, x-ray or other test for you, how often did someone from this doctor's office follow up to give you those results?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

17. In the last 6 months, how often were the results of your blood test, x-ray or other test easy to understand?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

18. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health care possible and 10 is the best health care possible, what number would you use to rate all your health care in the last 6 months?

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| <input type="radio"/> |
| 0                     | 1                     | 2                     | 3                     | 4                     | 5                     | 6                     | 7                     | 8                     | 9                     | 10                    |
| Worst                 |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Best                  |                       |                       |
| Health Care           |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Health Care           |                       |                       |
| Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Possible              |                       |                       |

19. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the care, tests, or treatment you needed?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

20. In the last 6 months, did you need any emotional or mental health treatment or counseling for a personal or family problem?

- Yes → *Go to Question 21*
- No → *Go to Question 23*

21. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the emotional or mental health treatment or counseling you needed through your health plan?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

22. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst treatment or counseling possible and 10 is the best treatment or counseling possible, what number would you use to rate all your emotional or mental health treatment or counseling in the last 6 months?

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| 0                     | 1                     | 2                     | 3                     | 4                     | 5                     | 6                     | 7                     | 8                     | 9                     | 10                    |
| Worst                 |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Best                  |                       |                       |
| Treatment             |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Treatment             |                       |                       |
| Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Possible              |                       |                       |



23. In the last 6 months, did you need any treatment or counseling for alcohol use, drug use or other addiction?

- Yes → *Go to Question 24*
- No → *Go to Question 26*

24. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get the alcohol, drug or addiction treatment or counseling you needed through your health plan?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

25. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst treatment or counseling possible and 10 is the best treatment or counseling possible, what number would you use to rate all your alcohol, drug or addiction treatment or counseling in the last 6 months?

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| <input type="radio"/> |
| 0                     | 1                     | 2                     | 3                     | 4                     | 5                     | 6                     | 7                     | 8                     | 9                     | 10                    |
| Worst                 |                       |                       |                       |                       | Best                  |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Treatment             |                       |                       |                       |                       | Treatment             |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       | Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |

**YOUR PERSONAL DOCTOR**

26. A personal doctor is the one you would see if you need a check-up, want advice about a health problem, or get sick or hurt. Do you have a personal doctor?

- Yes → *Go to Question 27*
- No → *Go to Question 38*

27. In the last 6 months, how many times did you visit your personal doctor to get care for yourself?

- None → *Go to Question 37*
- 1 → *Go to Question 28*
- 2 → *Go to Question 28*
- 3 → *Go to Question 28*
- 4 → *Go to Question 28*
- 5 to 9 → *Go to Question 28*
- 10 or more → *Go to Question 28*

28. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain things in a way that was easy to understand?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

29. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor listen carefully to you?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

30. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor show respect for what you had to say?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

31. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor spend enough time with you?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

32. In the last 6 months, did you see your personal doctor for a specific illness or for any health condition?

- Yes → *Go to Question 33*
- No → *Go to Question 35*

33. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor give you easy to understand instructions about what to do to take care of this illness or health condition?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

34. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor explain what to do if this illness or health condition got worse or came back?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

35. In the last 6 months, did you get care from a doctor or other health provider besides your personal doctor?

- Yes → Go to Question 36
- No → Go to Question 37

36. In the last 6 months, how often did your personal doctor seem informed and up-to-date about the care you got from these doctors or other health providers?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

37. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst personal doctor possible and 10 is the best personal doctor possible, what number would you use to rate your personal doctor?

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| <input type="radio"/> |
| 0                     | 1                     | 2                     | 3                     | 4                     | 5                     | 6                     | 7                     | 8                     | 9                     | 10                    |
| Worst                 |                       |                       |                       |                       | Best                  |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Personal Doctor       |                       |                       |                       |                       | Personal Doctor       |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       | Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |

### GETTING HEALTH CARE FROM SPECIALISTS

When you answer the next questions, do not include dental visits or care you got when you stayed overnight in a hospital.

38. Specialists are doctors like surgeons, heart doctors, allergy doctors, skin doctors, and other doctors who specialize in one area of health care. In the last 6 months, did you try to make any appointments to see a specialist?

- Yes → Go to Question 39
- No → Go to Question 42

39. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get appointments with specialists?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

40. How many specialists have you seen in the last 6 months?

- None → Go to Question 42
- 1 specialist → Go to Question 41
- 2 → Go to Question 41
- 3 → Go to Question 41
- 4 → Go to Question 41
- 5 or more specialists → Go to Question 41

41. We want to know your rating of the specialist you saw most often in the last 6 months. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst specialist possible and 10 is the best specialist possible, what number would you use to rate the specialist?

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| <input type="radio"/> |
| 0                     | 1                     | 2                     | 3                     | 4                     | 5                     | 6                     | 7                     | 8                     | 9                     | 10                    |
| Worst                 |                       |                       |                       |                       | Best                  |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Specialist            |                       |                       |                       |                       | Specialist            |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       | Possible              |                       |                       |                       |                       |                       |

### YOUR HEALTH PLAN

The next questions ask about your experience with your health plan.

42. In the last 6 months, did you try to get information or help from your health plan's customer service?

- Yes → Go to Question 43
- No → Go to Question 45

43. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service give you the information or help you needed?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

44. In the last 6 months, how often did your health plan's customer service staff treat you with courtesy and respect?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

45. Using any number from 0 to 10, where 0 is the worst health plan possible and 10 is the best health plan possible, what number would you use to rate your health plan?

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- 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10
- Worst Health Plan Possible Best Health Plan Possible

46. Would you recommend your health plan to your family and friends?

- Yes
- No

47. In the past 6 months, did you get any new prescription medicines or refill a prescription?

- Yes → **Go to Question 48**
- No → **Go to Question 49**

48. In the last 6 months, how often was it easy to get your prescription medicine from your health plan?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

### ABOUT YOUR HEALTH

49. In general, how would you rate your overall health?

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

50. In general, how would you rate your overall mental or emotional health?

- Excellent
- Very good
- Good
- Fair
- Poor

51. Have you had a flu shot since September 1, 2012?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

52. Do you now smoke cigarettes or use tobacco every day, some days, or not at all?

- Every day → **Go to Question 53**
- Some days → **Go to Question 53**
- Not at all → **Go to Question 56**
- Don't know → **Go to Question 56**

53. In the last 6 months, how often were you advised to quit smoking or using tobacco by a doctor or other health provider in your plan?

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

54. In the last 6 months, how often was medication recommended or discussed by a doctor or health provider to assist you with quitting smoking or using tobacco? Examples of medication are: nicotine gum, patch, nasal spray, inhaler, or prescription medication.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always



55. In the last 6 months, how often did your doctor or health provider discuss or provide methods and strategies other than medication to assist you with quitting smoking or using tobacco? Examples of methods and strategies are: telephone helpline, individual or group counseling, or cessation program.

- Never
- Sometimes
- Usually
- Always

56. Do you take aspirin daily or every other day?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

57. Do you have a health problem or take medication that makes taking aspirin unsafe for you?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know

58. Has a doctor or health provider ever discussed with you the risks and benefits of aspirin to prevent heart attack and stroke?

- Yes
- No

59. Are you aware that you have any of the following conditions? Mark one or more.

- High cholesterol
- High blood pressure
- Parent or sibling with a heart attack before the age of 60

60. Has a doctor ever told you that you have any of the following conditions? Mark one or more.

- A heart attack
- Angina or coronary heart disease
- A stroke
- Any kind of diabetes or high blood sugar

61. Do any of the following conditions affect you right now?

	Yes	No
a. Cancer	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
b. Arthritis	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
c. Asthma	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
d. Overweight	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
e. Depression	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
f. Drinking or other drug problems	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
g. Emotional problems or mental illness	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
h. Other medical conditions lasting more than three months	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

### ABOUT YOU

62. What is your age?

- 18 to 24
- 25 to 34
- 35 to 44
- 45 to 54
- 55 to 64
- 65 to 74
- 75 or older

63. Are you male or female?

- Male
- Female

64. What is the highest grade or level of school that you have completed?

- 8th grade or less
- Some high school, but did not graduate
- High school graduate or GED
- Some college or 2-year degree
- 4-year college graduate
- More than 4-year college degree

65. Are you of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent?

- Yes
- No

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**66. What is your race? Please mark one or more.**

- White
- Black or African-American
- Asian
- Native Hawaiian or other Pacific Islander
- American Indian or Alaska Native
- Other

**67. What language do you mainly speak at home? Please mark one only.**

- English
  - Spanish
  - English and Spanish equally
  - Russian
  - Mandarin
  - Cantonese
  - Other (please specify)
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**Thank you for taking the time to complete this survey. Your answers are greatly appreciated.**

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