



# Family Physicians & Sickle Cell Treatment

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**About 1 in 3 family physicians  
were comfortable treating patients  
who require red blood cell  
transfusions.**

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**Only 1 in 5 surveyed family  
physicians reported being  
comfortable treating  
patients w/ SCD**

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**Less than 1/2 surveyed family  
physicians were comfortable  
managing patients' pain.**

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**Less than 1 in 4 surveyed family physicians had 5 or more patients with SCD in their practices.**

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**Reference Material:  
Attitudes toward Management  
of Sickle Cell Disease and  
Its Complications: A  
National Survey of Academic  
Family Physicians 2015**