

Table 3 Characteristics of the physicians' clinical encounter (n=268)

Variable	Answer	n (%)
<i>Number of patients seen per day</i>	0-10	105 (39.2)
	11-20	107 (39.9)
	21-30	38 (14.2)
	31-40	18 (6.7)
<i>Number of prescriptions written per day</i>	0-10	135 (50.4)
	11-20	94 (35.1)
	21-30	23 (8.6)
	31-40	16 (6.0)
<i>Physician gives drug samples to patients</i>	Yes	226 (86.9)
	No	34 (13.1)
<i>Reason for giving a drug sample to patients</i>	To help patients who could not afford a medication	200 (94.3)
	To build a good relationship with patients	12 (5.7)