

Table 6 Factors affecting physicians' views of the reasons for inappropriate admissions: analysis of nationality, gender, specialization and professional title

Factor	Cramer's V	P-value
<i>Nationality (1 = Saudi, 2 = non-Saudi) and:</i>		
Lack of good admissions policy	0.359	0.000
Refusal of patient to be discharged	0.259	0.001
Delayed test results	0.224	0.007
Faulty medical equipment	0.223	0.008
To carry out medical investigations	0.212	0.014
Poor medical records system	0.213	0.013
Relationship between patient and hospital staff	0.206	0.017
Inability of patient's family to take care of patient	0.182	0.043
<i>Sex (1 = male, 2 = female) and:</i>		
Refusal of patient to be discharged	0.331	0.000
Physicians' inexperience	0.275	0.000
Inability of patient's family to take care of patient	0.235	0.003
Wrong diagnosis	0.230	0.005
Delayed test results	0.230	0.005
<i>Specialization (1 = surgery, 2 = medicine) and:</i>		
Availability of large number of beds	0.199	0.024
To carry out medical investigations	0.187	0.042
Faulty medical equipment	0.182	0.049
<i>Professional title (1 = resident, 2 = specialist, 3 = consultant) and:</i>		
Availability of large number of beds	0.226	0.000
Delayed test results	0.220	0.001
Lack of good admissions policy	0.195	0.007
Faulty medical equipment	0.185	0.012
Relationship between patient and hospital staff	0.170	0.031