TABLE 2. Percentage distribution of physicians, by responses to five questions about emergency contraception

Question	Correct	Incorrect	Don't know	Total
How serious are the common side effects?	97.8†	2.2	0.0	100.0
If a woman takes emergency contraception and still becomes pregnant, there is at least a 50% chance that the baby will be born with a birth defect.	93.4‡	0.0	6.6	100.0
If used properly, emergency contraception prevents pregnancy what percentage of the time?	90.1§	3.3	6.6	100.0
The best theoretical understanding is that emergency contraception works by what mechanism?	82.4††	15.4	2.2	100.0
Emergency contraception is effective if taken within how many hours?	62.7‡‡	35.1	2.2	100.0

†Not serious but uncomfortable (nausea, vomiting), or none. ‡False. §At least 75% of the time. ††Prevents implantation of a fertilized egg or delays ovulation. ‡‡72 hours, or five days. *Note:* The question about birth defects was true-false; all others were multiple-choice.