





# 2025 ASMBS Pathway Program

## Evaluation Results





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# Program Overview



Dynamic panel discussions with diverse healthcare professionals that shared their career paths, challenges, and opportunities in treating obesity. The discussions covered obesity treatment strategies, STEM career paths, and insights on improving community healthcare, providing students with a comprehensive understanding and ways to make a meaningful impact.



Students engaged in dynamic networking opportunities with healthcare leaders during breakfast, lunch, and Q&A sessions. They shared experiences, discussed challenges, and explored opportunities to make a meaningful impact in the field of obesity treatment and community healthcare.



Students engaged in hands-on experiences in the exhibit hall with industry partners. They explored cutting-edge obesity treatment strategies and had the opportunity to participate in hands-on demonstrations.



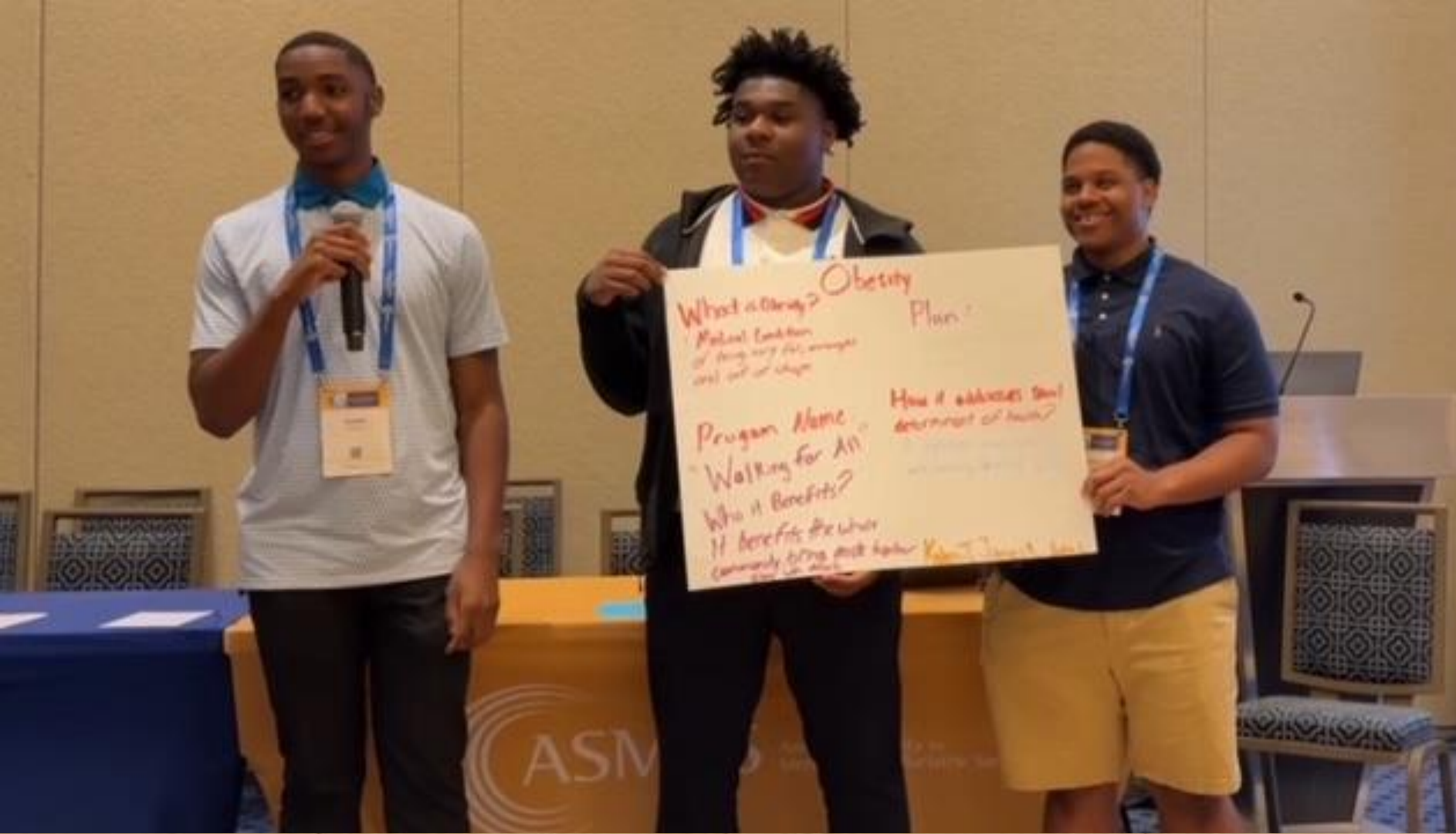




# PATHWAY STUDENTS & CHAPERONES 2025















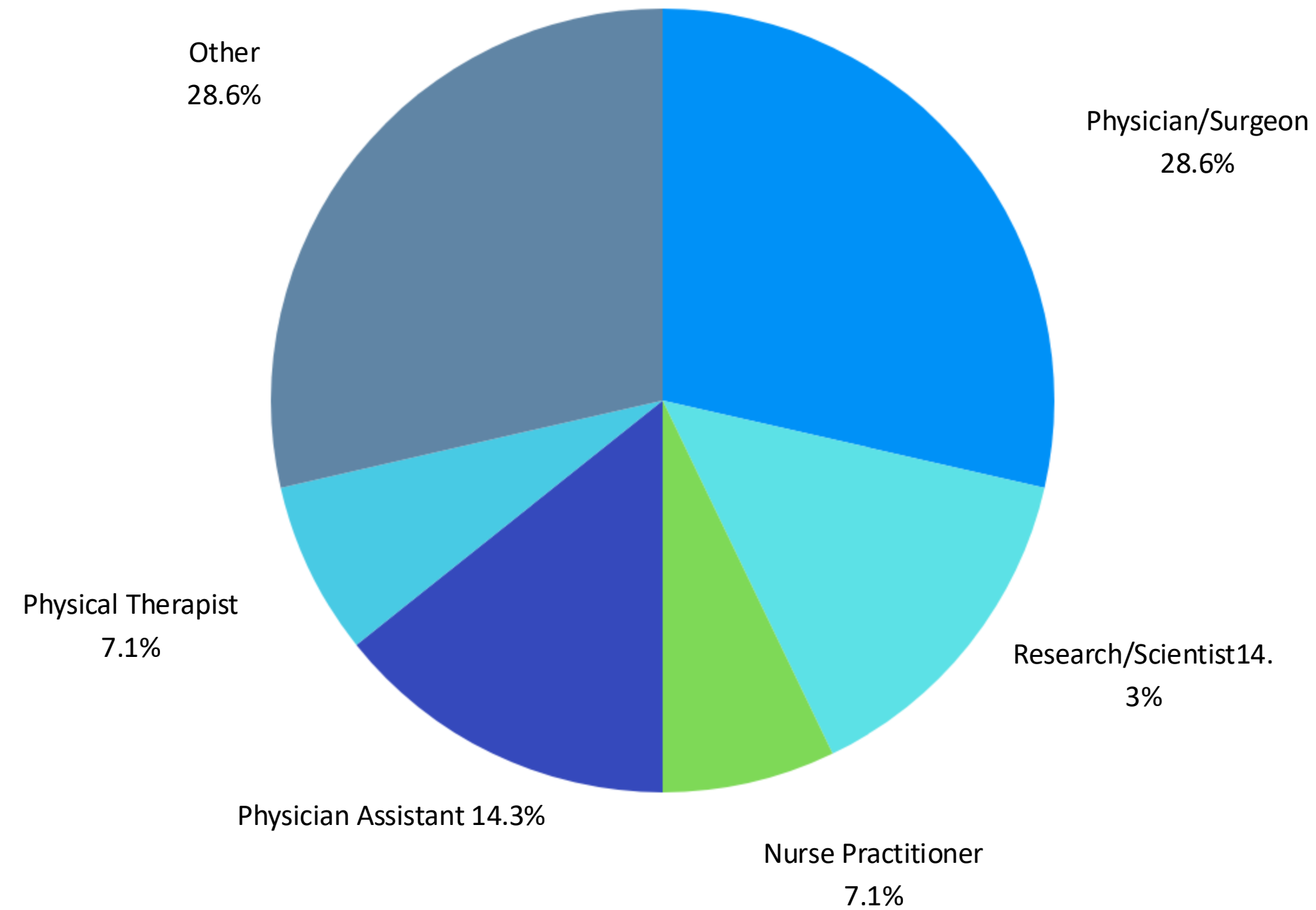
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# What STEM career do you think you might be interested in?

Check all that apply

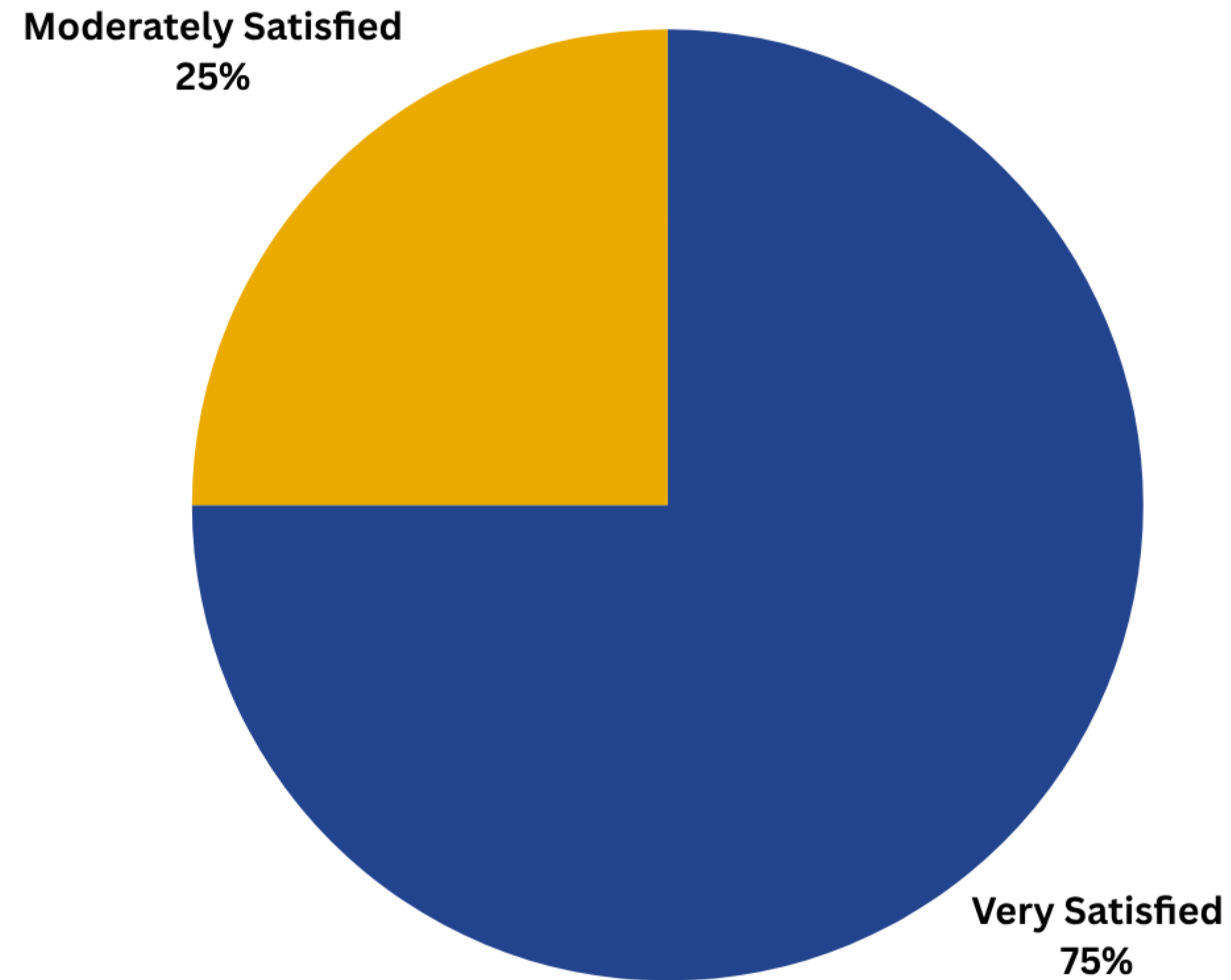
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How would you rate your experience with this program?

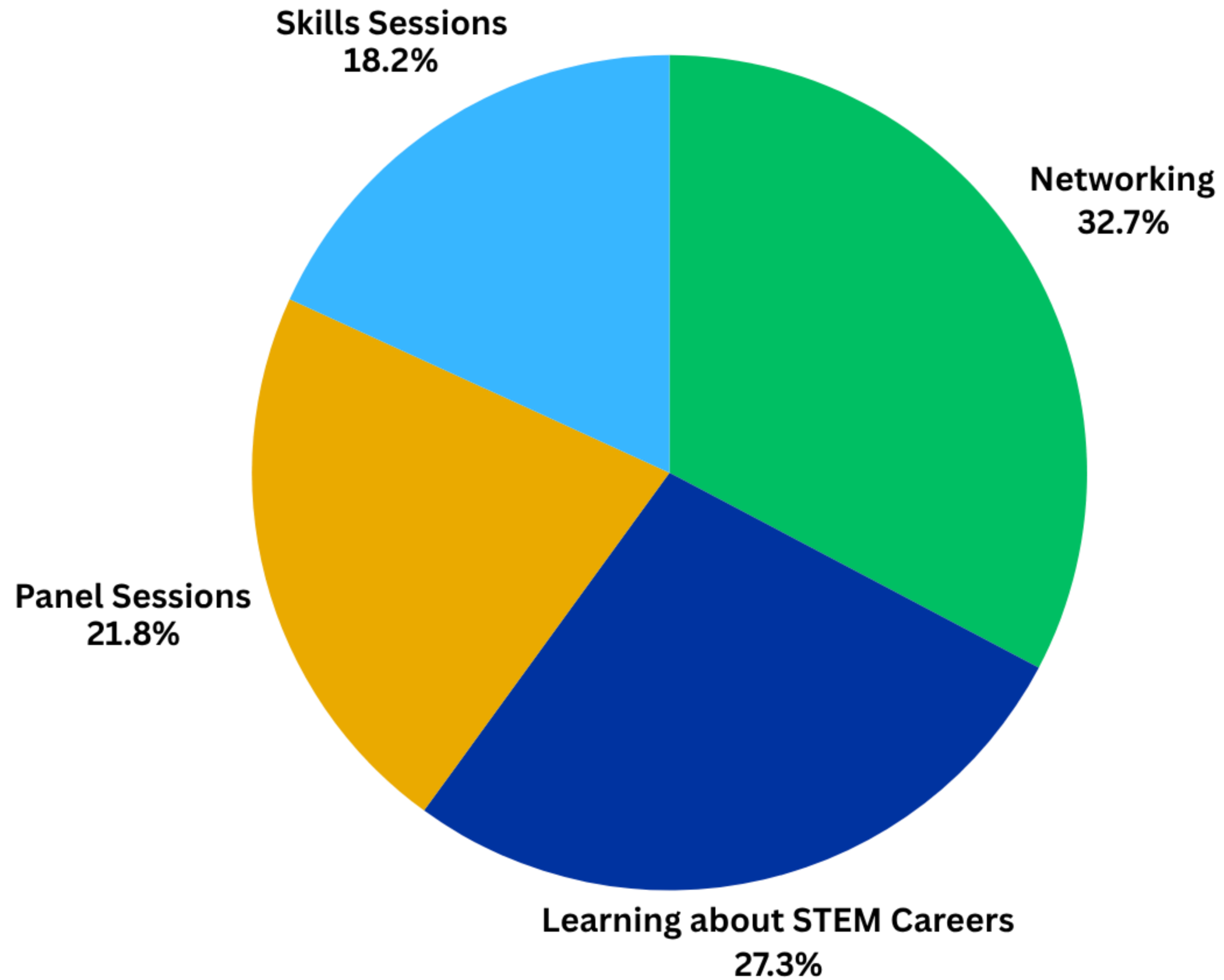
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What aspects of the program did you find most beneficial?  
Select all that apply.

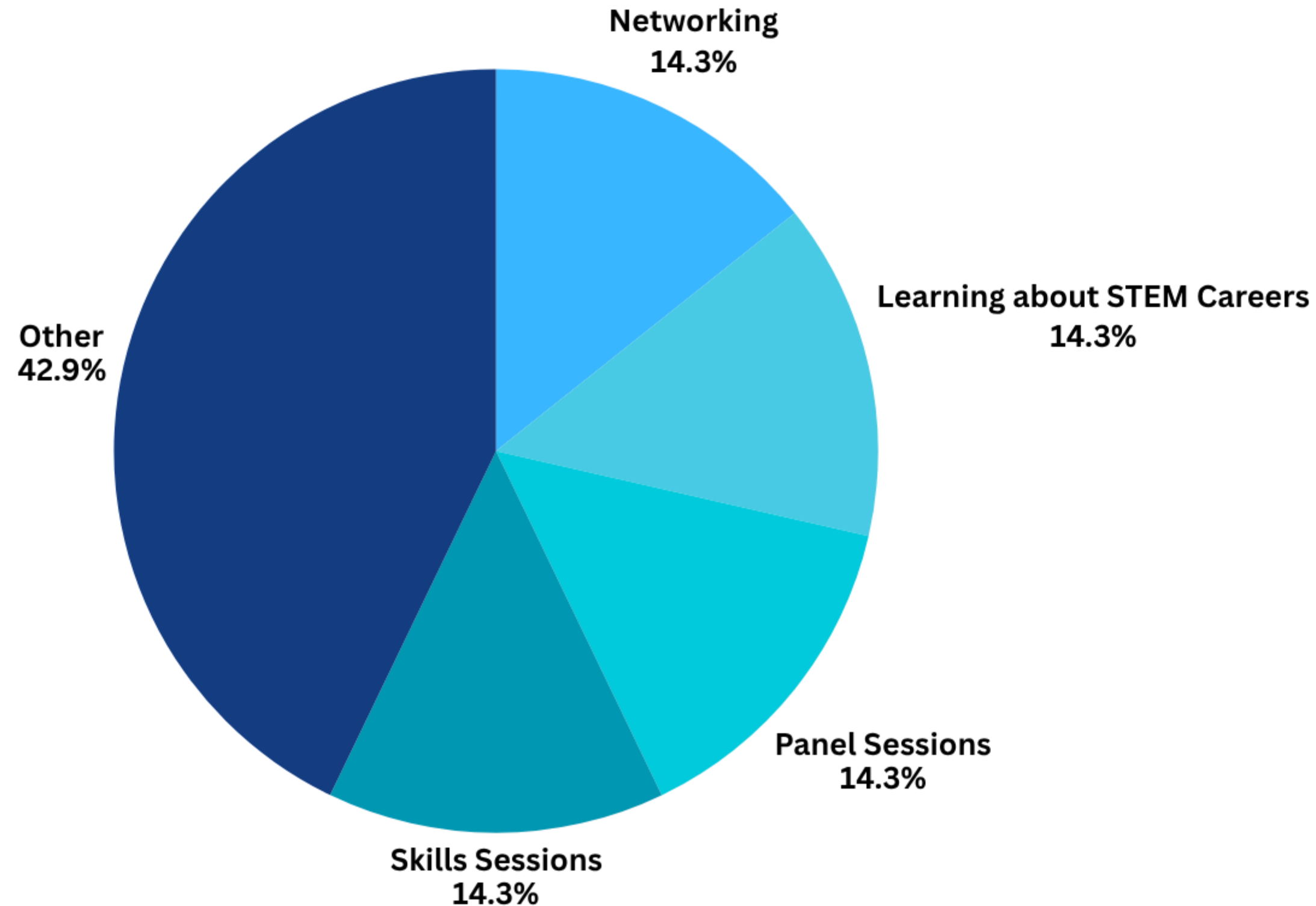
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What aspects of the program did you find LEAST beneficial?  
Select all that apply.

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Other:

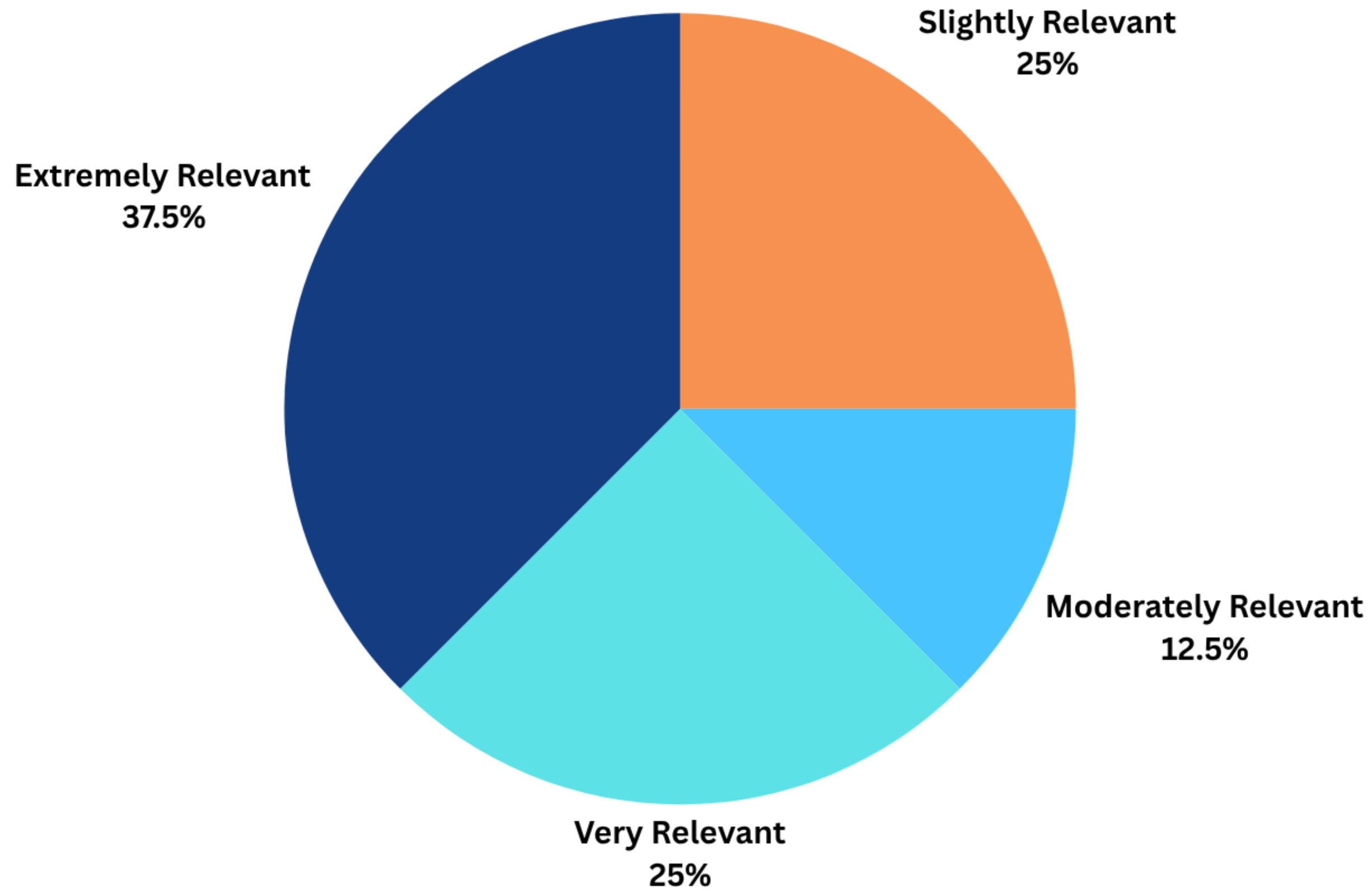
"I believe that they were all beneficial"

"I did not find anything not beneficial."



How relevant was the program content to your current needs?

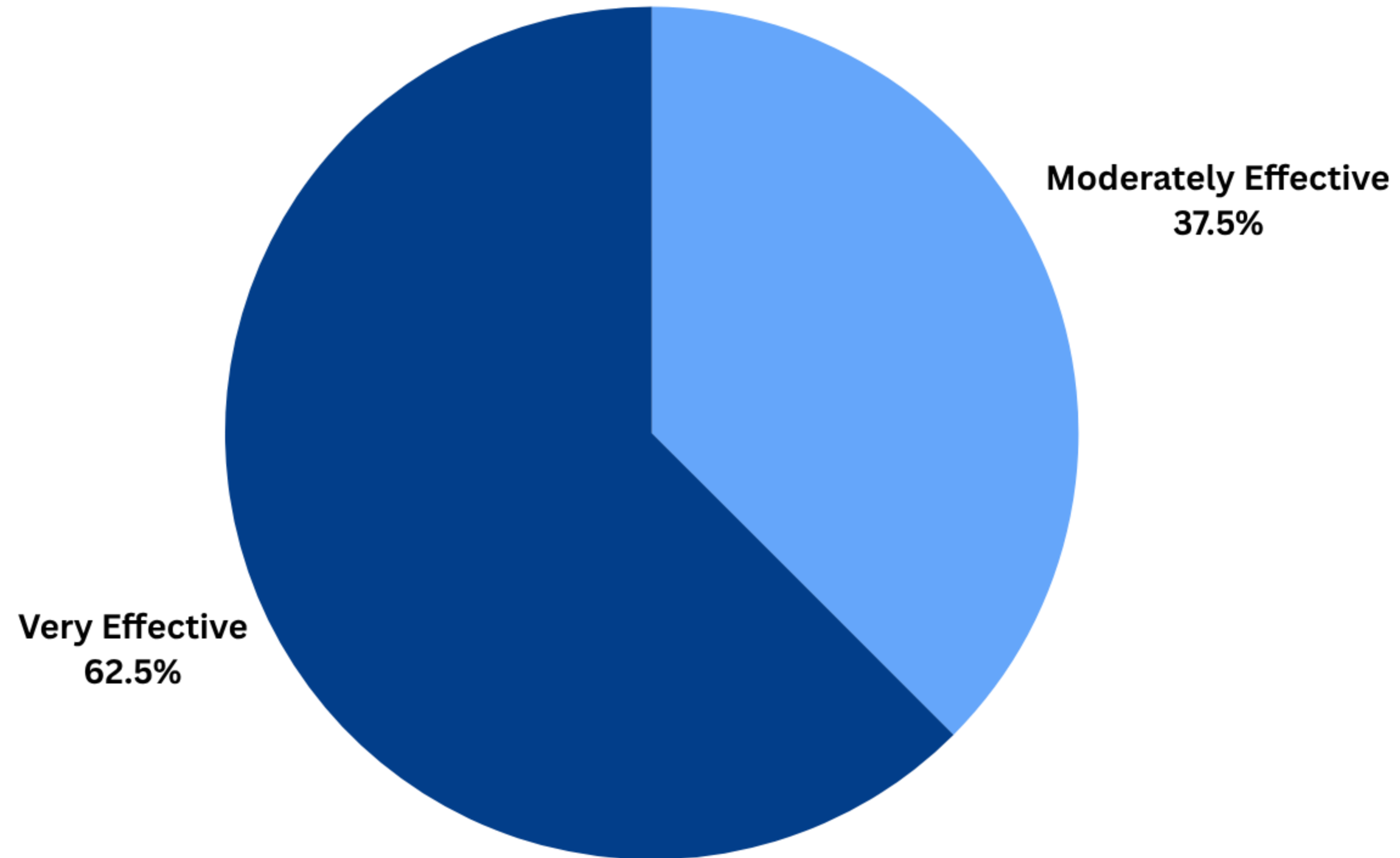
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How effective were the networking opportunities provided by the program?.

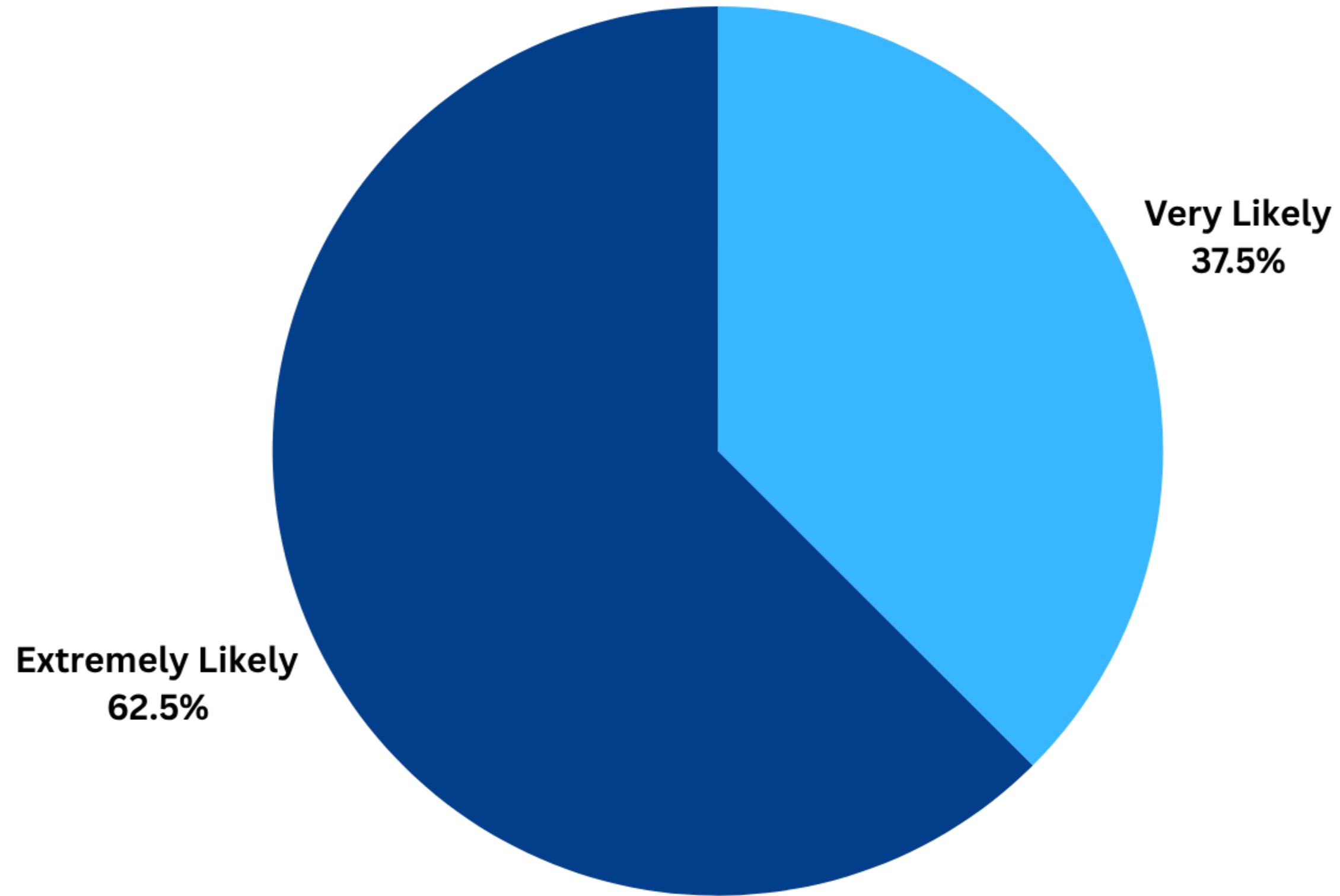
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How likely are you to recommend this program to other students?

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What improvements would you suggest for future programs?

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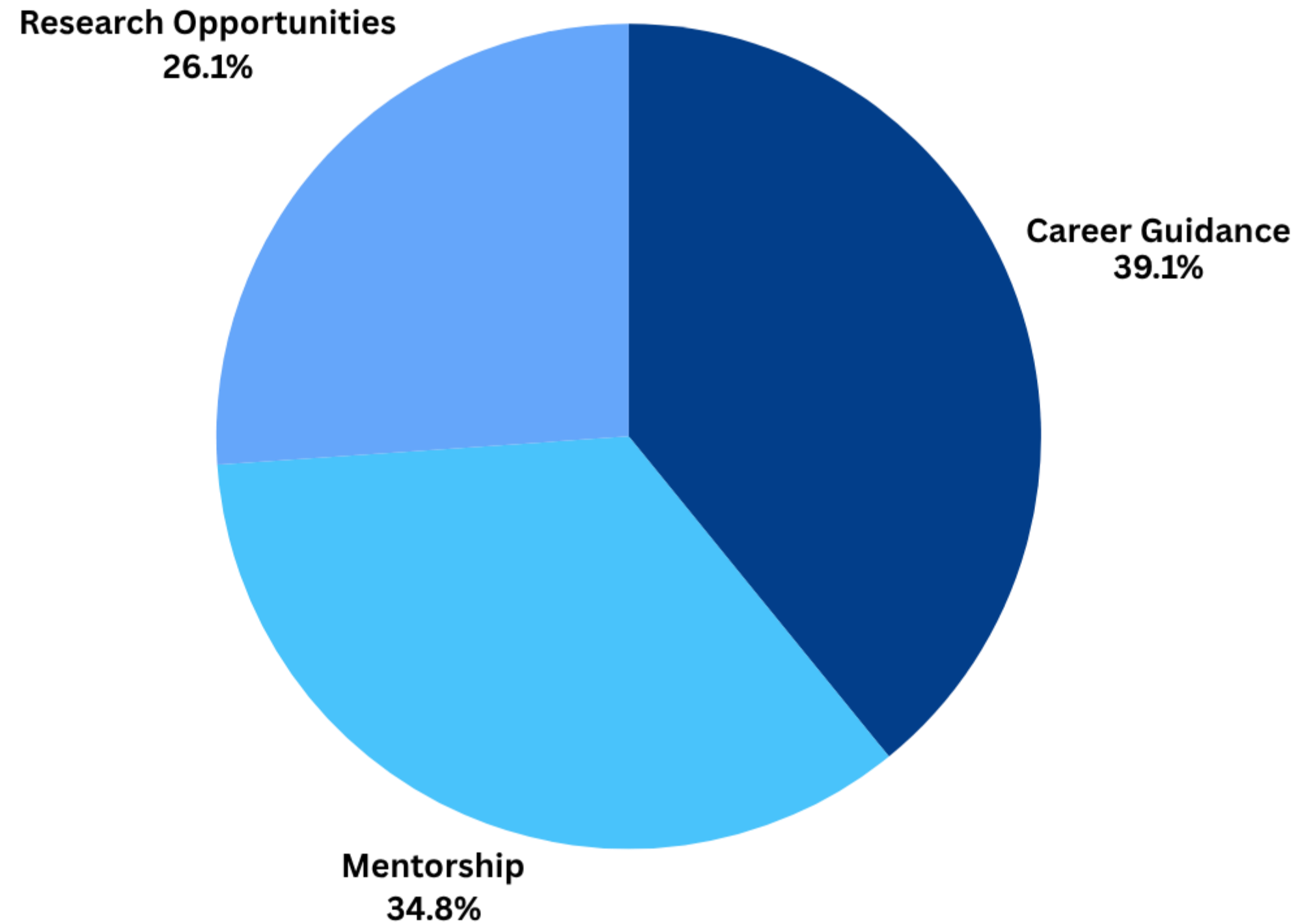
**“Put more emphasis on the specifics of technology and math”**

**“I had a great experience”**

**“Having a variety of doctors. Most of the doctors were surgeons and not everyone wants to be a surgeon”**

What resources/opportunities would be most helpful to you following this program?  
Select all that apply.

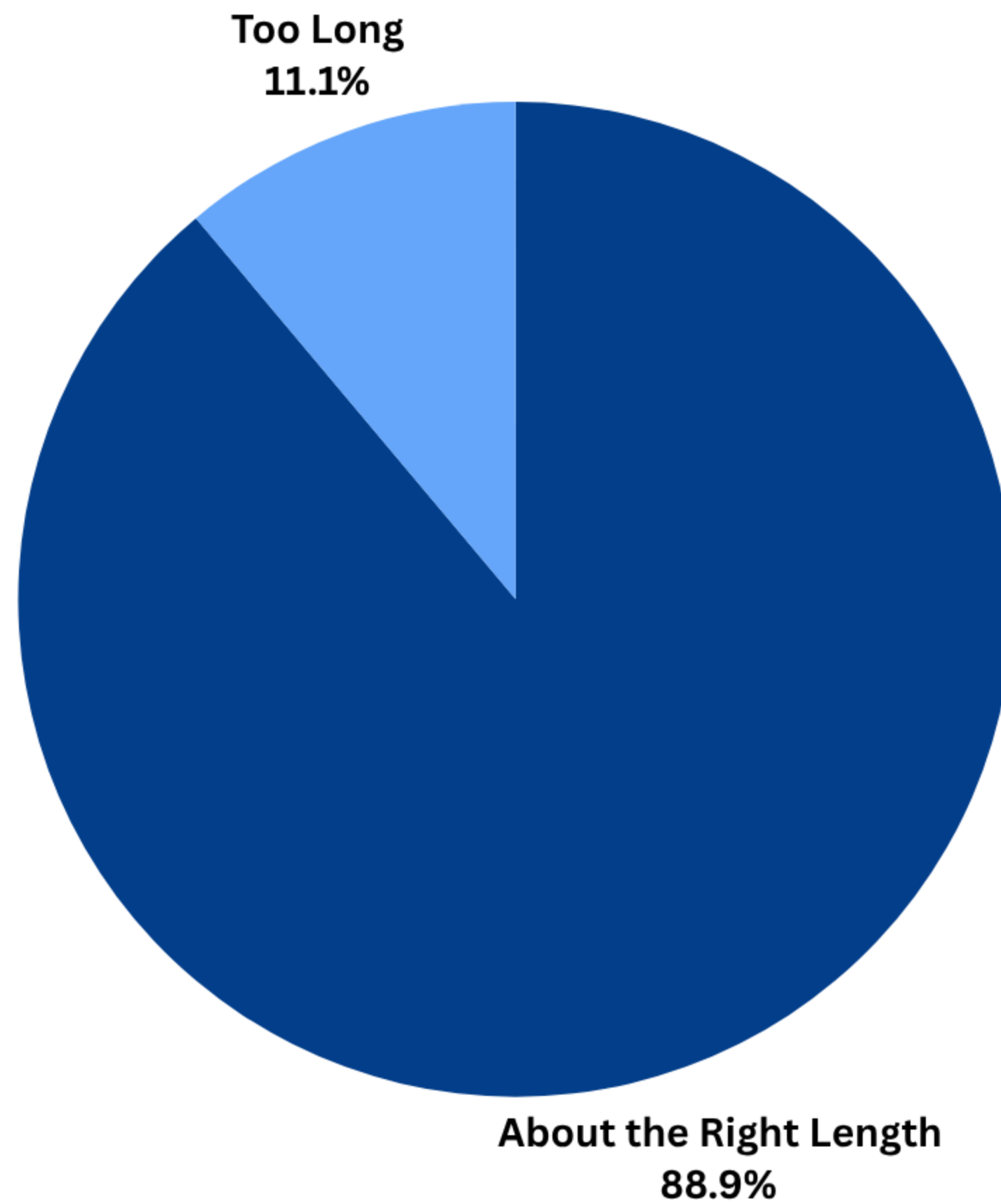
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## Was the program length appropriate?

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What topics or areas would you like to see covered in the future programs?

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**“Engineering”**

**“Neuroscience”**

**“More technology and math coverage”**

**“Different medical careers that are associated with bariatric surgery and obesity in general”**

**“Talking about more kids rather than adults in obesity and how they handle the situations differently based on age”**

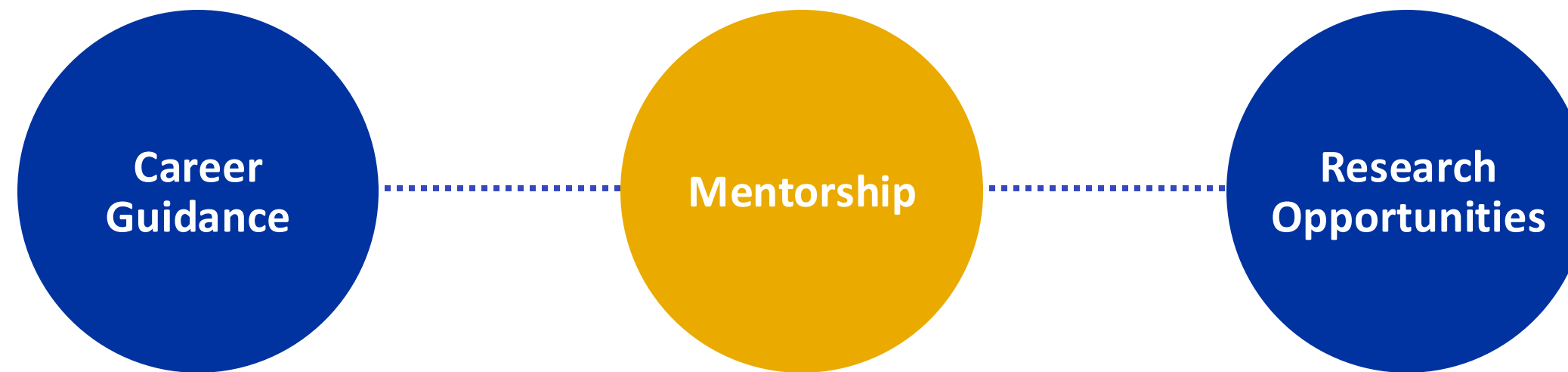
**“More talks with actual patients and how it affects their lives and mental wellbeing”**

**“Physiatrists”**



## Next Steps

Develop Follow-up Plan based on Participants Feedback To Provide



Planning for 2026 Pathway Program, San Antonio, TX

**Goal**

**30**  
Participants





Boston  
Scientific

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Johnson & Johnson  
MedTech

✿ thank you  
to our

INDUST

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INTUITIVE

Medtronic 75  
years