Starting out in practice survey results

Length of time practising as an osteopath	Total	Percentage
Less than a year	14	52%
One year	10	37%
Two years	2	7%
Do not wish to answer	0	0
Other	1	4%

Which osteopathic education provider did you graduate from?	Total	Percentage
BCOM	1	4%
COO	3	11%
ESO	2	7%
LCOM	0	0
LSO	2	7%
Marjon	1	4%
NESCOT	4	15%
Swansea University	2	7%
UCO	12	44%
Other	0	0
Do not wish to answer	0	0

Was osteopathy your first or second career?	Total	Percentage
First	5	18.5%
Second	21	78%
Other	1	4%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

Where do you practice in terms of main geographical location?	Total	Percentage
Greater London or	7	26%
Middlesex		
South-East England	11	41%
South-West England	4	15%
Eastern Home Counties	0	0
Central England	1	4%
Northern England-East	0	0
Northern England-West	1	4%
Wales	1	4%
Scotland	0	0
Northern Ireland	0	0
Europe	1	4%

Elsewhere in the world	1	4%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

Is your practice or clinic in the same geographical location or area as the osteopathic education provider that you graduated from?	Total	Percentage
Yes	9	33%
No	18	67%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

Are you working as:	Total	Percentage
Principal	0	0
Associate	18	67%
Sole practitioner	3	11%
Other	6	22%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

How many clinics or clinic sites, the work?	Total	Percentage
One	11	41%
Two	11	41%
Three+	4	15%
Other	1	4%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

What type of practice do you spend the majority of your working week?	Total	Percentage
Sole practice	6	22%
Group practice (with other osteopaths)	7	26%
Multidisciplinary practice (with other osteopaths and other healthcare providers)	13	48%
Other	1	4%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

How many hours do you practice as an osteopath per week on average?	Total	Percentage
0-4 hours	1	4%
5-14 hours	5	18.5%
15-24 hours	5	18.5%
25-34 hours	8	30%
35-44 hours	8	30%
45-54 hours	0	0
55+ hours	0	0
Other	0	0
Do not wish to answer	0	0

How many osteopathic patients do you see per week on average?	Total	Percentage
1-10 patients	6	22%
11-20 patients	8	30%
21-30 patients	5	18.5%
31-40 patients	5	18.5%
41+ patients	2	7%
Other	1	4%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

Which of the following approaches do you use most often?	Total	Percentage
Articulation	23	85%
Soft tissue	24	89%
Exercise	26	96%
Muscle energy techniques	23	85%
Functional/fascial release	12	44%
Thrusting (HVT, HVLAT)	16	59%
General public health	13	48%
advice and education		
Balanced ligamentous	4	15%
tension		
Craniosacral approach	5	18.5%
Strain/counter strain	5	18.5%
Nutrition	3	11%
Visceral techniques	6	22%
Mindfulness	6	22%
Telehealth services	0	0
Other	3	11%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

Which of the following therapies to use most often?	Total	Percentage
Massage	21	78%
Western acupuncture/dry needling	5	18.5%
Pilates	4	15%
Electrotherapies	2	7%
Naturopathy	1	4%
Classical acupuncture	0	0
Applied Kinesiology	4	15%
Reflexology	0	0
Other	3	11%
Do not wish to answer	0	0

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Ethnic Origin ¹		
Asian and Asian British	2	7%
Black and Black British	0	0
Mixed Ethnic Background	2	7%
White or White British	22	81%
Other Ethnic Background	0	0
Prefer not to say	0	0
Did not answer	1	4%
Religion		
Atheist	5	18.5%
Buddhist	0	0
Christian	11	41%
Hindu	0	0
Humanism/Humanist	0	0
Jewish	0	0
Muslim	0	0
No religion or belief	1	4%
Pagan	1	4%
Sikh	0	0
Spiritual	6	22%
Any other religion or belief	0	0
Prefer not to say	2	7%
Did not answer	1	4%
Sexual Orientation		
Asexual	0	0
Bi/Bisexual	2	7%
Gay/Lesbian	2	7%
Heterosexual/straight	23	85%
Pansexual	0	0
Queer	0	0
Prefer to self- describe	0	0
Prefer not to say	0	0
Marital Status		
Married	8	30%
Civil partnership	1	4%
Cohabiting	8	30%
Single	10	37%
Divorced	0	0
Widowed	0	0
Other	0	0
Prefer not to say	0	0
Pregnancy and maternity		

¹ Ethnicity and race categories did consist of sub-categories within each of the first 5 bands but have not been drilled down any greater than this, due to small numbers, so as to preserve anonymity.

Do you consider to yourself to fall under the protected characteristic of pregnancy and maternity ² ?		
Yes	0	0
No	27	100%
Prefer not to say	0	0

² Pregnancy refers to the condition of being pregnant or expecting a baby. Maternity refers to the period of 26 weeks after birth or miscarriage.