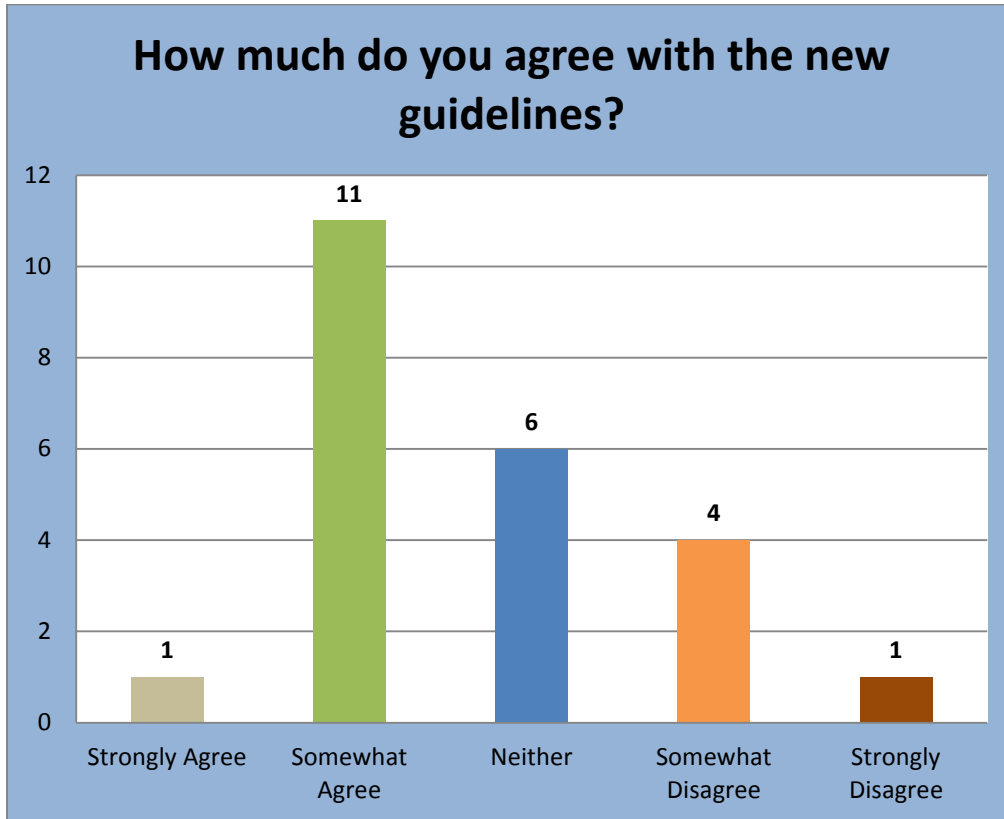


## ACORN Clinicians Partially Agree with New Cholesterol Guidelines

Below is a summary of the results of the ACORN Clinician Perspective question. A total of 22 clinicians completed the survey.



Clinicians who said they **somewhat agree**:

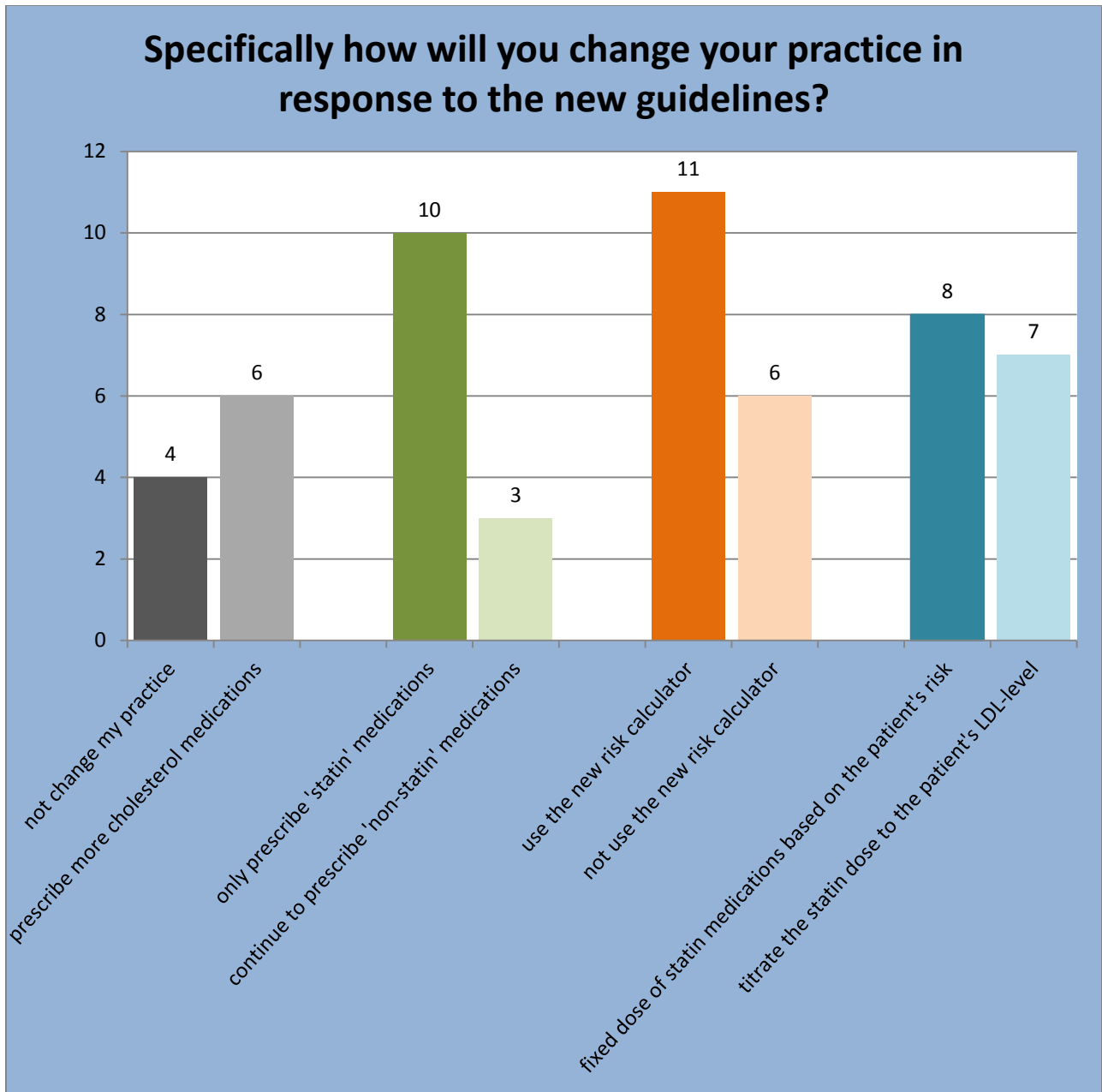
- Anticipate patient-specific use mixing new and old guidelines
- Expressed concern about new guidelines lacking specific LDL goals
- Some will avoid the calculator but use new guidelines, others will do the opposite

Clinicians who said they **neither agree nor disagree**:

- Want to see more evidenced based studies before transitioning
- Expressed concern that the risk calculator lacks accuracy
- Anticipate patient-specific use mixing new and old guidelines

Clinicians who said they **somewhat or strongly disagree**:

- Suggested that the new guidelines are weak and not evidence based because the threshold of 190 LDL for statin therapy is too high
- Some agreed with the new guidelines, in principle, that continually checking LDL goals lack evidence and using statins are evidenced based
- These clinicians were also concerned that the risk calculator was not accurate and may over-estimate the number of people who need statins



Thank you to those who were able to participate in this survey. We need your help in completing future clinician question inquiries. We also welcome and encourage input regarding future topics for this activity. Submit your input to Camille Washington, ACORN Practice Advocate at [cwashington@vcu.edu](mailto:cwashington@vcu.edu) or 804.827.3403.