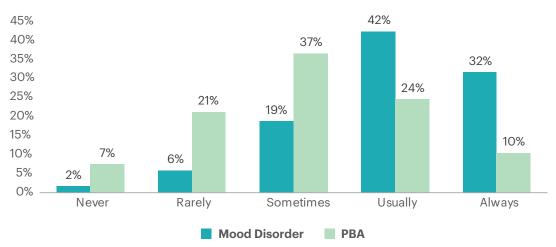
## PSEUDOBULBAR AFFECT AND PM&R



In spring 2023, AAPM&R conducted an electronic survey among a segment of its membership about Pseudobulbar Affect (PBA) in Brain Injury patients.\* Below are a few key findings from the survey and links to education on AAPM&R's website for follow up knowledge-building and assessment.

- The Cummings criteria from 2006/2007 is the most commonly used diagnostic criteria that respondents use to differentiate between mood disorders and PBA.
- 2. Respondents more often assess for mood disorders than for PBA.

## How Often Do You Assess For Mood Disorders vs. How Often Do You Assess For PBA?



3. 45% of survey respondents are comfortable (35%) or very comfortable (10%) diagnosing PBA in their patients.

\*An invitation to participate in the survey was successfully delivered to 3,070 individual email addresses. A total of 249 surveys were collected with a completion rate of 90% and an overall response rate of 5%. The survey's margin of error of +/-6% at the 95% confidence level is a more important measure. The industry standard for research studies is to achieve a margin of error of +/-5% at the 95% confidence level. AAPM&R is nearly within that goal.

Learn more about PM&R's role in addressing mood disorders and PBA in brain injury patients. Visit the AAPM&R Online Learning Portal (OLP) at www.onlinelearning.aapmr.org.

## Two case studies and a recorded educational session are available:

Test your knowledge via two case studies:

- Case Study: Pseudobulbar Affect: Epidemiology, Diagnosis, and Treatment
- Case Study: Pseudobulbar Affect

Recorded educational session:

PM&R's Role in Addressing Mood Disturbances and Pseudobulbar Affect (PBA) in Brain Injury 



