**Table 2: Overall patient satisfaction on drainless outpatient parotidectomy**

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| **Overall Satisfaction** | **YES (%)** | **NO (%)** | **Not answered (%)** |
| Would you have preferred inpatient surgery (e.g.1-2 days with a surgical drain?) | 3 (10.7) | 23 (82.1) | 2 (7.1) |
| Would you have preferred to stay overnight? | 12 (42.9) | 12 (42.9) | 4 (14.3) |
| Do you feel you were discharged prematurely? | 3 (10.7) | 25 (89.3) | - |
| Were you/partner anxious about same day discharge? | 4 (14.3) | 21 (75.0) | 3 (10.7) |
| **If you had concerns/anxieties about same day discharge, were they due to** | **-** | - | - |
| Pain | 1 (3.6) | 26 (92.9) | 1 (3.6) |
| Bleeding | - | 27 (96.4) | 1 (3.6) |
| Nausea/vomiting | 1 (3.6) | 26 (92.9) | 1 (3.6) |
| Social factors | 3 (10.7) | 24 (85.7) | 1 (3.6) |
| Wound related | 8 (28.6) | 19 (67.9) | 1 (3.6) |
| Would you recommend this type of day case parotid surgery to other patients? | 25 (89.3) | 1 (3.6) | 2 (7.1) |
| Were you/partner shown how to use the balaclava bandage? | 23 (82.1) | 3 (10.7) | 2 (7.1) |
| Did you notice any issues with the balaclava bandage? | 16 (57.1) | 12 (42.9) | 2 (7.1) |
| Do you feel pain was adequately controlled at the time of discharge? | 27 (96.4) | 1 (3.6) | - |

* Out of the 16 patients, 8 (61.5%) participants ended up staying in the hospital for less than 23 hours due to various medical and social reasons despite not having a surgical drain. The remaining 8 patients preferred to stay in the hospital despite surgically and medically fit for discharge.