Potential barriers	Adult gastroenterologists mean score ± SD	Paediatric gastroenterologists mean score ± SD	p-Valu e
Patients' limited understanding of condition and treatment	4.12 ± 0.81	3.09 ± 0.67	0.04
Lack of self advocacy	3.89 ± 0.87	4.04 ± 0.84	NS
Parental reluctance to transition	3.57 ± 1.03	3.63 ± 0.84	NS
Patients/parent's high expectation	3.59 ± 0.97	3.68 ± 0.83	NS
Lack of space/Time	3.93 ± 1.03	4.22 ± 0.71	NS
Lack of supportive services (nurses,admin			
etc.)	3.92 ± 1.06	4.09 ± 0.97	NS
Lack of funding	3.59 ± 1.22	3.77 ± 1.19	NS
Clinicians lack of trust in relevant clinical services	3.12 ± 0.64	4.19 ± 0. 51	0.01
Lack of interest in relevant colleagues	3.08 ± 1.24	3.90 ± 1.15	0.02
Lack of defined policies	3.32 ± 1.07	3.40 ± 1.09	NS

Scores: 1 = Not important, 2 = don't know 3 = minimally important, 4 = moderately important, 5 = very important.

Mean scores of perceived importance of competencies at transfer. [1]

Competency	Adult gastroenterologists mean score ± SD	Paediatric gastroenterologists mean score ± SD	p-Valu e
Understanding of disease	4.19 ± 0.87	4.33 ± 0.68	NS
Understanding of treatment	4.22 ± 0.86	4.47 ± 0.64	NS
Ability to take medicines independently	3.97 ± 0.93	4.23 ± 0.85	<mark>NS</mark>
Understanding of impact of smoking on the disease	3.76 ± 1.03	3.57 ± 0.78	NS
Ability to attend clinics without parents	3.20 ± 1.03	3.96 ± 1.16	0.02
Ability to undergo endoscopies without anaesthetic	3.95 ± 1.13	3.04 ± 1.22	0.01
understanding of impact of diet on the disease	3.02 ± 0.93	3.09 ± 0.97	NS
Membership of patient group	2.34 ± 1.05	2.09 ± 0.99	NS

Top 5 ranked obstacles in practice: [1]

- · Lack of funding
- · Lack of time
- · Lack of support services
- · Too few patients
- · Lack of training

[1] The requirements and barriers to successful transition of adolescents with inflammatory bowel disease: differing perceptions from a survey of adult and paediatric gastroenterologists. Sebastian S¹, Jenkins H et al. J Crohns Colitis. 2012 Sep;6(8):830-44. doi: 10.1016/j.crohns.2012.01.010. Epub 2012 Feb 24.

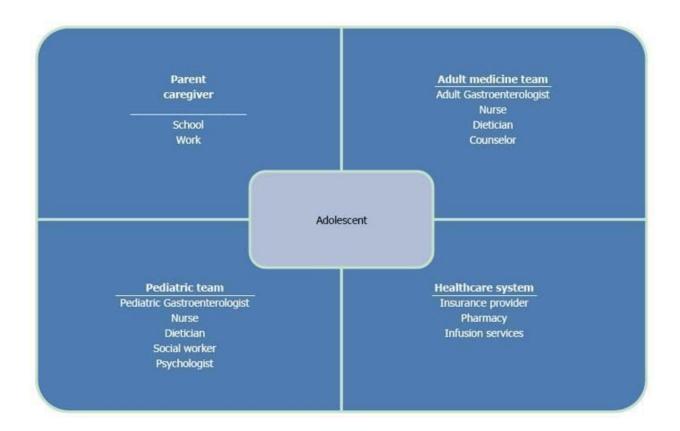


Figure 1 Transition of care involves multiple stakeholders invested. [2]

[2] Afzali A, Wahbeh G. Transition of pediatric to adult care in inflammatory bowel disease: Is it as easy as 1, 2, 3? World J Gastroenterol 2017; 23(20): 3624-3631

Based on these references above, following article is written