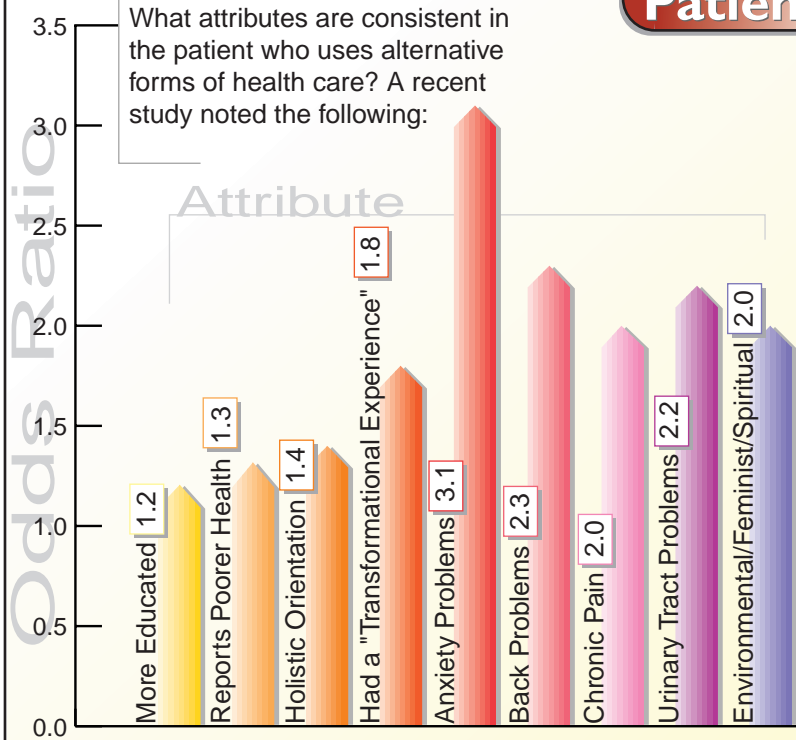


The Typical

"Alternate Health Medicine"

Patient



According to the study's author, John Astin, PhD, patients who seek alternative forms of care do so "to be more congruent with their own values, beliefs and philosophical orientations toward health and life." (See the interview with Dr. Astin in the 7-13 issue.)

SOURCE: Astin JA. Why patients use alternative medicine? *JAMA* 1998;279:1548-1553.