

Healthcare Quarterly

Performance Profiles

Emergency Department

Illawarra Shoalhaven Local Health District

NSW

Same period Change since

Same period

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From March 2017, Hospital Quarterly reports the 90th percentile time, rather than the 95th percentile time, for related ED measures.

Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 3,978 patients	4,292	-7.3%
Emergency presentations: ² 3,853 patients	4,170	-7.6%

Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

January to March 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 246 patients	205	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 30 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,245 patients	1,215	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	22 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	61 minutes	69 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,039 patients	2,398	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 79 minutes	74 minutes	101 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 306 patients	339	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	28 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 80 minutes	82 minutes	104 minutes

Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED January to March 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 3,978 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 85.6%

Change since	Same period
one year ago	last year
-7.3%	4,292
	89.5%

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- 3. Some patients are excluded from ED time measures due to calculation requirements. For details, see the *Technical Supplement: Emergency department measures, July to September 2016.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 10% of patients waited equal to or longer than this time.
- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.

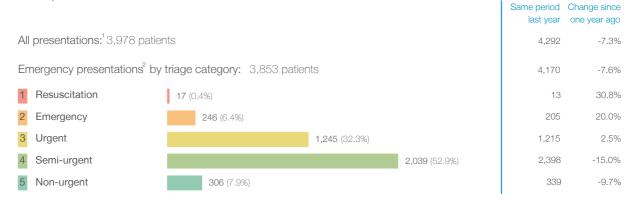
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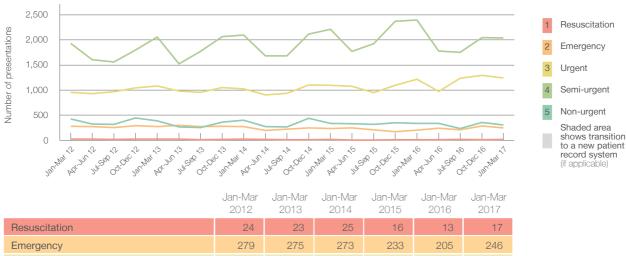
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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 [‡]



Resuscitation	24	23	25	16	13	17
Emergency	279	275	273	233	205	246
Urgent	958	1,084	1,028	1,094	1,215	1,245
Semi-urgent	1,933	2,060	2,095	2,211	2,398	2,039
Non-urgent	426	386	402	336	339	306
All emergency presentations	3,620	3,828	3,823	3,890	4,170	3,853

Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

January to March 2017

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 408 patients	386	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	13 minutes	0 minutes
90th percentile time	30 minutes	29 minutes	1 minute

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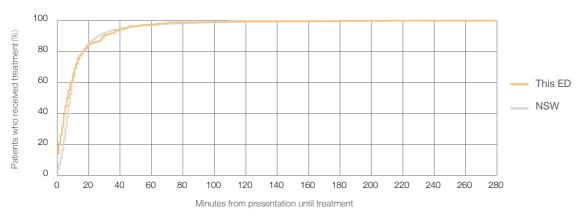
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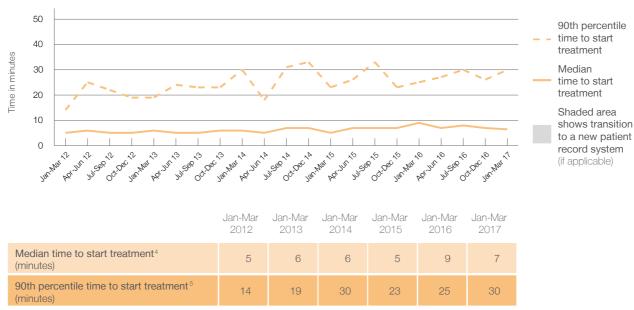
Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 246	205	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 246	205	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	9 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 30 minutes	25 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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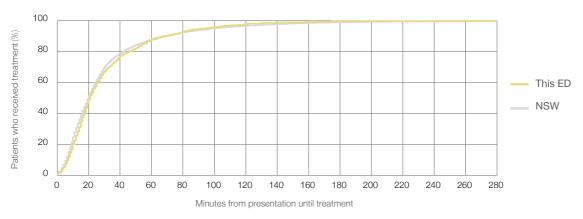
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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,245	1,215	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,235	1,208	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	22 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	61 minutes	69 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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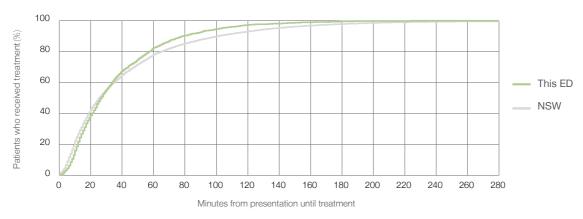
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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,039	2,398	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,994	2,361	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 79 minutes	74 minutes	101 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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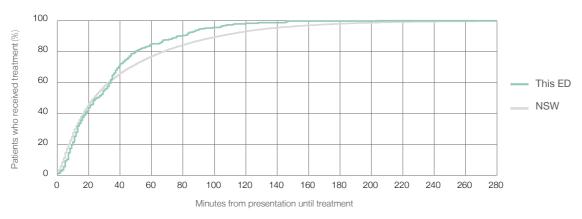
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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 306	339	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 289	322	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	28 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 80 minutes	82 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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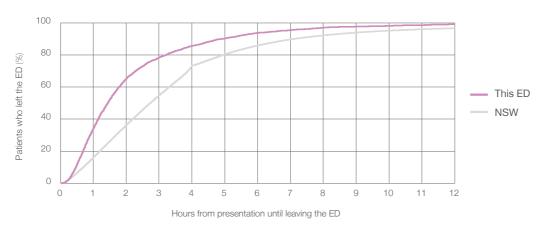
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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2017

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017



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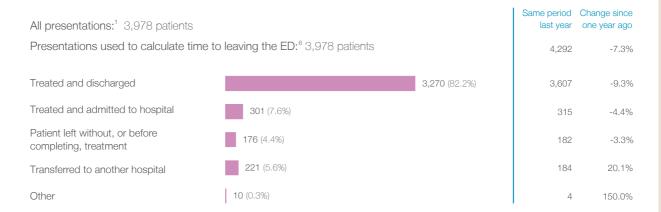
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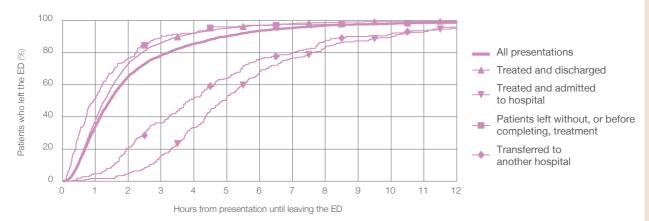
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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2017 ^{†‡}



1 hour 2 hours 3 hours 4 hours 6 hours 8 hours 10 hours 12 hours

Treated and discharged	38.2%	73.1%	86.2%	92.3%	97.0%	98.8%	99.3%	99.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.7%	4.7%	15.9%	33.6%	68.1%	83.1%	90.0%	95.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	51.1%	76.7%	89.8%	92.0%	97.2%	97.7%	98.3%	98.3%
Transferred to another hospital	4.5%	20.8%	36.2%	51.6%	76.0%	87.3%	91.4%	95.9%
All presentations	34.2%	65.2%	78.3%	85.6%	93.7%	96.9%	98.1%	99.0%

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Milton and Ulladulla Hospital: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 13,978 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 3,978 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

85.6%

	Change since
last year	one year ago
4,292	-7.3%
4,292	-7.3%
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 †*



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- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 105% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.
- 7. Transfer of care time refers to the period between arrival of patients at the ED by ambulance and the transfer of responsibility for their care from paramedics to ED staff in an ED treatment zone. For more information see Spotlight on Measurement: measuring transfer of care from the ambulance to the emergency department.
- 8. The median is the time by which half of patients left the ED. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 9. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients left the ED. The final 10% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.

Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process.

Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.

Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 18 April 2017).

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Shellharbour Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: ¹ 7,631 patients	8,109	-5.9%
Emergency presentations: ² 7,452 patients	7,733	-3.6%

Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

January to March 2017

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 836 patients	826	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	12 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 2,616 patients	2,623	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 77 minutes	80 minutes	69 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 3,707 patients	3,998	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	24 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	124 minutes	101 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 268 patients	257	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 19 minutes	22 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	90 minutes	104 minutes

Shellharbour Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED January to March 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 7,624 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
four hours or less in the ED	66.7%

	one year ago
8,109	-6.0%
68.2%	

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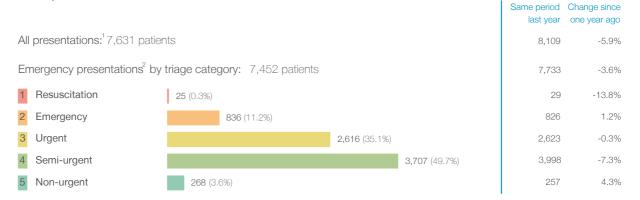
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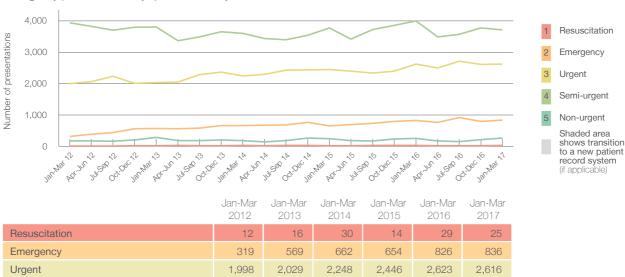
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Shellharbour Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 [‡]



Shellharbour Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

3,933

6,434

3,808

6,709

3,597

6,723

186

3,775

7,131

3,998

7,733

3,707

7,452

Same period Change since

January to March 2017

All emergency presentations

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

	last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 1,670 pa	atients 1,600	
ED Transfer of care time		
Median time 10 minutes	11 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time 24 minutes	24 minutes	0 minutes

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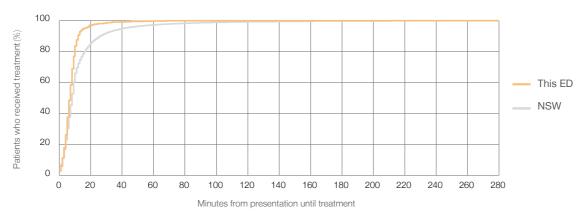
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Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	(this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 836	826	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 834	824	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	6 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 12 minutes	12 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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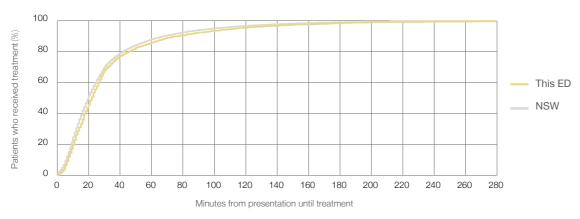
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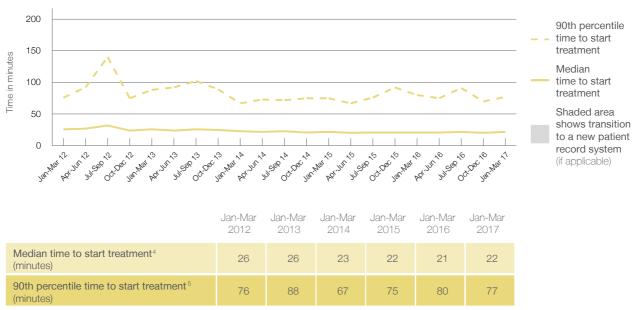
Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 2,616	2,623	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,569	2,571	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	21 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 77 minutes	80 minutes	69 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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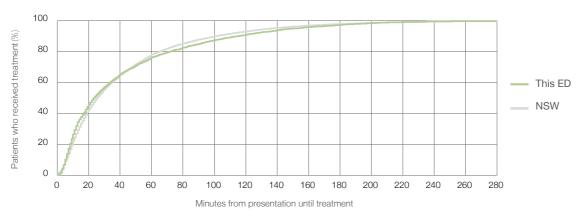
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Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 3,707	3,998	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3,435	3,657	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 24 minutes	24 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 115 minutes	124 minutes	101 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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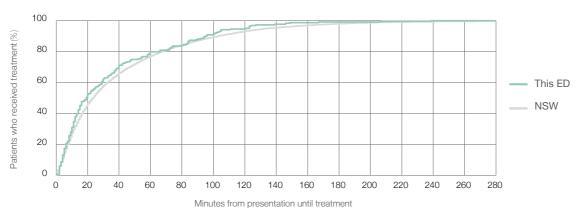
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Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 268	257	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 219	214	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 19 minutes	22 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	90 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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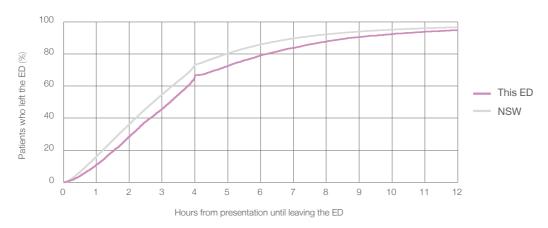
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Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2017

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017



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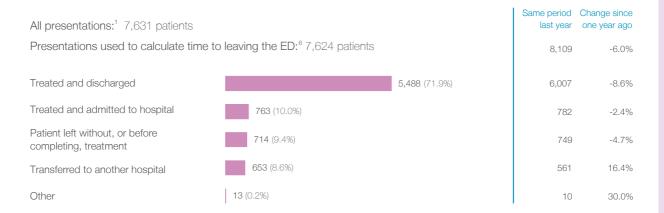
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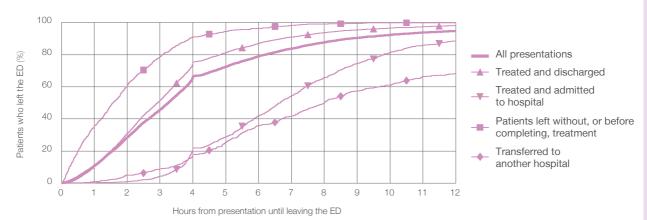
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Shellharbour Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2017 ^{†‡}



1 hour 2 hours 3 hours 4 hours 6 hours 8 hours 10 hours 12 hours

Treated and discharged	10.3%	30.8%	51.5%	75.5%	87.0%	93.8%	96.6%	98.1%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.3%	0.9%	4.3%	21.9%	42.1%	65.7%	81.5%	88.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	35.7%	60.9%	78.7%	91.0%	96.4%	99.0%	99.9%	99.9%
Transferred to another hospital	0.9%	4.9%	8.9%	17.7%	35.7%	50.0%	61.1%	68.3%
All presentations	10.9%	28.5%	45.8%	66.7%	79.0%	87.7%	92.3%	94.8%

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Shellharbour Hospital: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 7,631 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:67,624 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

66.7%

	Change since one year ago
8,109	-5.9%
8,109	-6.0%
68.2%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 †‡



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Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process.

Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.

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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 9,800 patients	10,154	-3.5%
Emergency presentations: ² 9,686 patients	10,022	-3.4%

Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

January to March 2017

January to March 2017

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 913 patients	763	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	11 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 36 minutes	34 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 3,278 patients	3,019	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	30 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	116 minutes	69 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,465 patients	4,898	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 33 minutes	38 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	148 minutes	101 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 988 patients	1,302	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	28 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	114 minutes	104 minutes

Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

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Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:⁶ 9,795 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

68.19

	Change since one year ago
10,152	-3.5%
66.7%	

Same period Change since

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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2017

Resuscitation

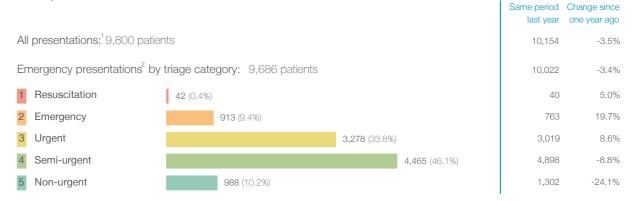
Emergency

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

All emergency presentations

Urgent



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017[‡]



558

2,495

4,549

1.769

9,402

528

2,406

4,323

8,963

34

485

2,360

4,233

9.045

40

763

3,019

4,898

1.302

10,022

42

913

3,278

4,465

9,686

988

Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance January to March 2017

27

443

2,377

4,526

1.519

8,892

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 2,223 patients ED Transfer of care time

Median time 16 minutes

90th percentile time 57 minutes

	Change since one year ago
2,407	
17 minutes	-1 minute
67 minutes	-10 minutes

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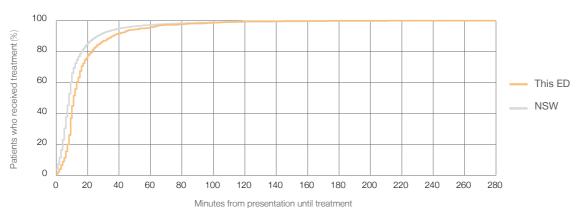
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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 913	763	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 913	763	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	11 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 36 minutes	34 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



Median time to start treatment ⁴ (minutes)	10	10	10	10	11	11
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ (minutes)	28	28	29	34	34	36

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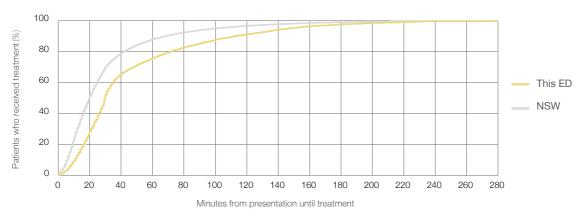
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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood I	oss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 3,278		3,019	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calc	ulate waiting time:3 3,210	2,959	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	30 minutes	30 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	113 minutes	116 minutes	69 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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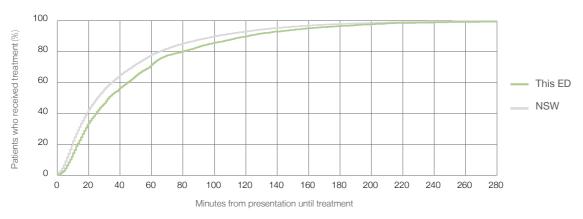
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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,465	4,898	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 4,161	4,521	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 33 minutes	38 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 121 minutes	148 minutes	101 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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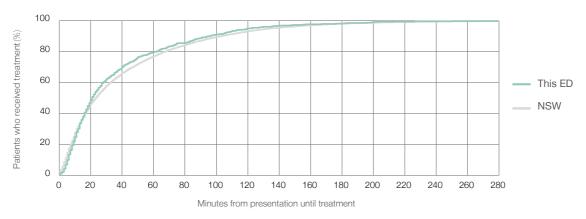
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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 988	1,302	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: ³ 897	1,154	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 21 minutes	28 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	114 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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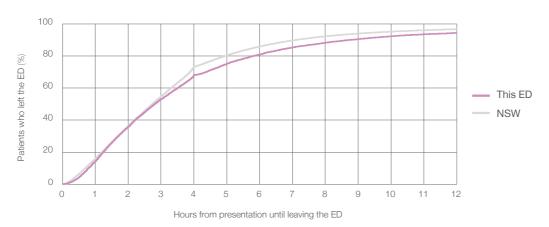
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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2017

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 †‡



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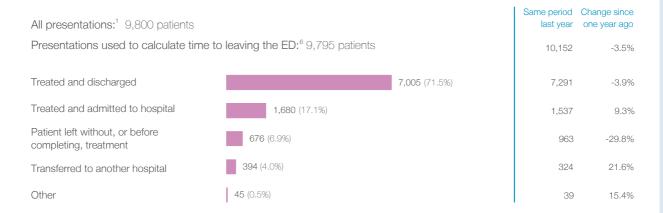
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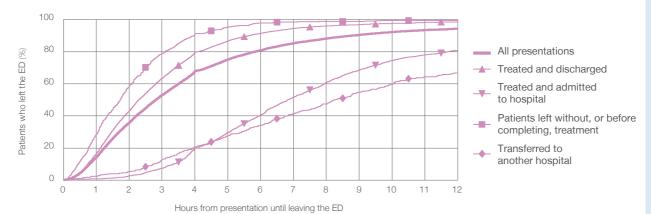
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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2017



1 hour 2 hours 3 hours 4 hours 6 hours 8 hours 10 hours 12 hours

Treated and discharged	16.6%	43.1%	63.4%	79.8%	91.5%	96.0%	97.6%	98.6%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.7%	2.7%	7.4%	20.3%	40.7%	60.9%	74.4%	80.9%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	28.7%	58.7%	78.8%	91.3%	97.9%	98.8%	99.4%	99.6%
Transferred to another hospital	2.3%	5.3%	12.9%	20.8%	34.0%	47.5%	59.9%	67.0%
All presentations	14.4%	35.9%	53.0%	68.1%	80.9%	88.2%	92.3%	94.3%

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Shoalhaven District Memorial Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 19,800 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 69,795 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

68.1%

	Change since one year ago
10,154	-3.5%
10,152	-3.5%
66.7%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 11



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Wollongong Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

January to March 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 16,008 patients	15,986	0.1%
Emergency presentations: ² 15,716 patients	15,617	0.6%

Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment³

January to March 2017

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,089 patients	1,845	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 6,631 patients	6,484	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	27 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 73 minutes	83 minutes	69 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 6,186 patients Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	6,586 34 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 101 minutes	119 minutes	101 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 646 patients	576	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	32 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	122 minutes	104 minutes

Wollongong Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED January to March 2017

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 16,008 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
four hours or less in the ED	63.9%

Same period	Change since
last year	one year ago
15,986	0.1%
64.8%	

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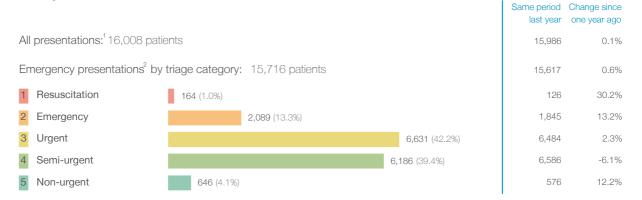
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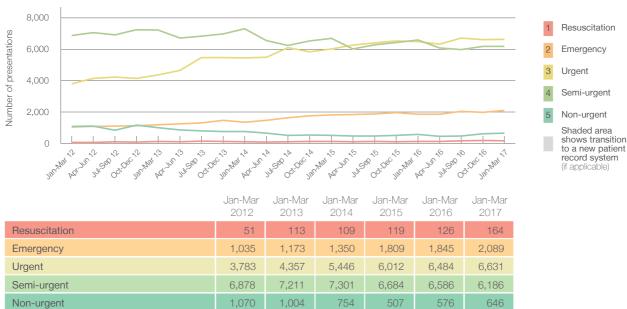
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Wollongong Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

January to March 2017



Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 [‡]



Wollongong Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

12,817

January to March 2017

All emergency presentations

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	5,301		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	11 minutes	12 minutes	-1 minute
90th percentile time	26 minutes	28 minutes	-2 minutes

13,858

14,960

15,131

15,617

15,716

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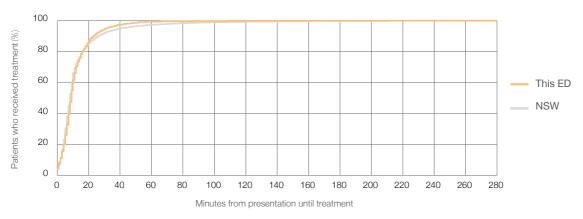
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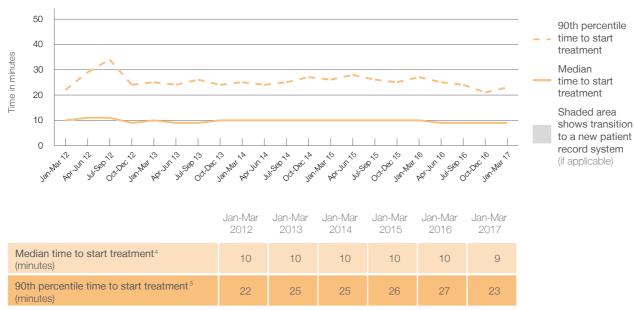
Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 January to March 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,089	1,845	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,084	1,845	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	10 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 23 minutes	27 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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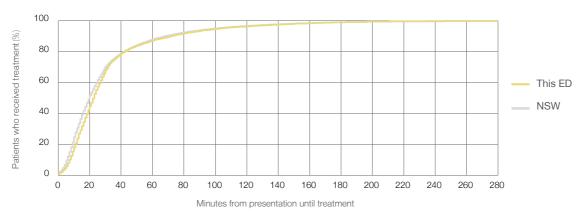
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 January to March 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 6,631	6,484	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 6,508	6,364	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 23 minutes	27 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 73 minutes	83 minutes	69 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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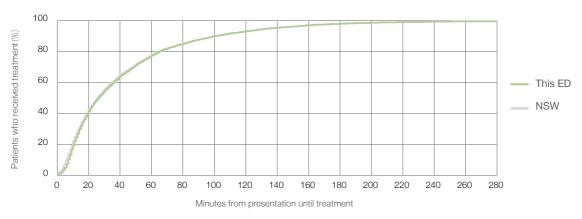
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 January to March 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 6,186	6,586	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 5,891	6,205	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 27 minutes	34 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 101 minutes	119 minutes	101 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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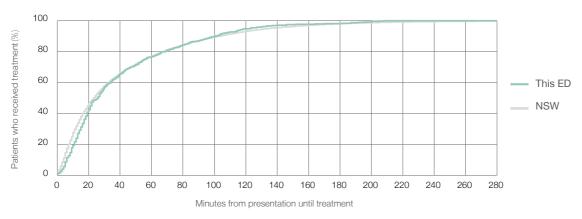
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 January to March 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 646	576	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 581	503	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 26 minutes	32 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 101 minutes	122 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, January to March 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment(minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2012 to March 2017



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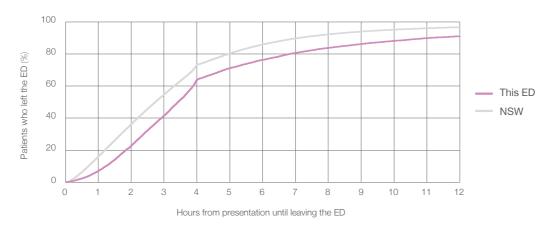
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

January to March 2017

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, January to March 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017



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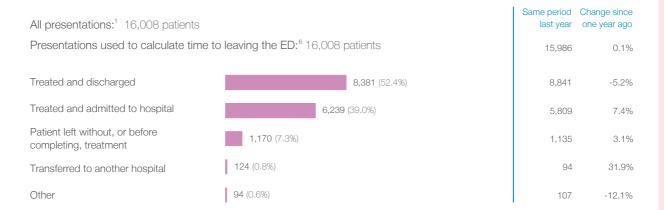
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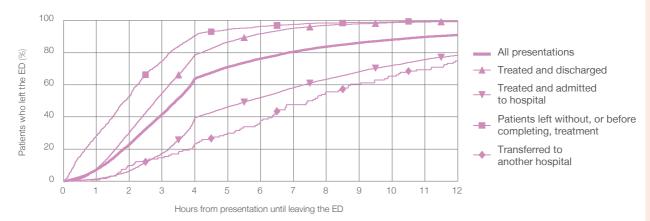
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Wollongong Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation January to March 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, January to March 2017 ^{†‡}



1 hour 2 hours 3 hours 4 hours 6 hours 8 hours 10 hours 12 hours

Treated and discharged	7.6%	30.3%	54.9%	78.5%	91.8%	97.1%	98.7%	99.3%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.4%	6.3%	17.3%	39.4%	52.1%	63.4%	72.1%	78.5%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	28.3%	52.7%	75.0%	90.5%	96.4%	98.5%	99.1%	99.7%
Transferred to another hospital	0.8%	9.7%	14.5%	23.4%	37.9%	55.6%	65.3%	75.0%
All presentations	7.1%	22.8%	41.7%	63.9%	76.3%	83.8%	88.1%	91.1%

 $^{(\}dagger)$ Data points are not shown in graphs for quarters when patient numbers are too small.

^(‡) Caution is advised when interpreting abrupt changes over time at the hospital level. For example, performance before and after transition to a new information system is not directly comparable. For more information, see Background Paper: Approaches to reporting time measures of emergency department performance, December 2011.

From March 2017, Hospital Quarterly reports the 90th percentile time, rather than the 95th percentile time, for related ED measures.

Wollongong Hospital: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED January to March 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 16,008 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED:6 16,008 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

63.9%

	Change since one year ago
15,986	0.1%
15,986	0.1%
64.8%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2012 to March 2017 †‡



- * Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect privacy. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.
- † Data points are not shown in graphs for quarters when patient numbers were too small.
- 1. All emergency and non-emergency presentations at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All presentations that have a triage category and are coded as emergency presentations or unplanned return visits.
- 3. Some patients are excluded from ED time measures due to calculation requirements. For details, see the *Technical Supplement: Emergency department measures, July to September 2016.*
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 5. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients started treatment. The final 105% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 6. All presentations that have a departure time.
- 7. Transfer of care time refers to the period between arrival of patients at the ED by ambulance and the transfer of responsibility for their care from paramedics to ED staff in an ED treatment zone. For more information see Spotlight on Measurement: measuring transfer of care from the ambulance to the emergency department.
- 8. The median is the time by which half of patients left the ED. The other half of patients took equal to or longer than this time.
- 9. The 90th percentile is the time by which 90% of patients left the ED. The final 10% of patients took equal to or longer than this time.

Note: Presentation time is the earlier of times recorded for the start of clerical registration or the triage process.

Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care that is relevant to the patient's presenting problems. For patients who were treated and discharged, departure time is the time when treatment was completed. For all other patients, departure time is the time when the patient actually left the ED.

Note: All percentages are rounded and therefore percentages may not add to 100%.

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 18 April 2017).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 18 April 2017).