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# Byron Central Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2017

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 5,481 patients	4,958	10.5%
Emergency presentations: 2 5,392 patients	4,895	10.2%

## Byron Central Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment <sup>3</sup>

October to December 2017

October to December 2017

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 510 patients	465	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup> 7 minutes	8 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment <sup>5</sup> 22 minutes	23 minutes	23 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,843 patients	1,381	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup> 14 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment <sup>5</sup> 50 minutes	46 minutes	65 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,310 patients	2,088	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup> 20 minutes	20 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment <sup>5</sup>	75 minutes	99 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 721 patients	947	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup>	21 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 105 minutes	108 minutes	103 minutes

## Byron Central Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 5,476 patients

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED 84.09

	Change since one year ago
4,958	10.4%
85.5%	

Same period Change since

Same period

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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency attendances at the emergency department (ED).
- 2. All attendances 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 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.

Note: Presentation time is the earlier time recorded for clerical registration or the triage process. Treatment time is the earliest time recorded when a healthcare professional provides medical care relevant to the patient<s presenting problems.

Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 23 January 2018).

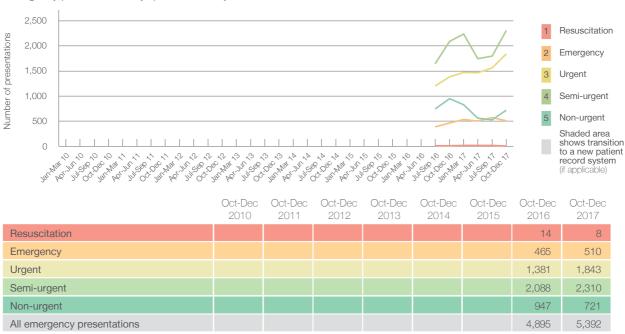
Same period Change since

# Byron Central Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2017

			last year	one year ago
All presentations: 5,481 patier	nts		4,958	10.5%
Emergency presentations <sup>2</sup> by	triage category: 5,392 patients		4,895	10.2%
1 Resuscitation	8 (0.1%)		14	-42.9%
2 Emergency	510 (9.5%)		465	9.7%
3 Urgent		1,843 (34.2%)	1,381	33.5%
4 Semi-urgent		2,310 (42.8%)	2,088	10.6%
5 Non-urgent	721 (13.4%)		947	-23.9%

Emergency presentations<sup>2</sup> by quarter, January 2010 to December 2017 <sup>‡§</sup>



#### Byron Central Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2017

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transf	er of care time: 7 349 patients	319	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	8 minutes	11 minutes	-3 minutes
90th percentile time	21 minutes	27 minutes	-6 minutes

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Same period Change since

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# Byron Central Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 October to December 2017

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)

Number of triage 2 patients: 510

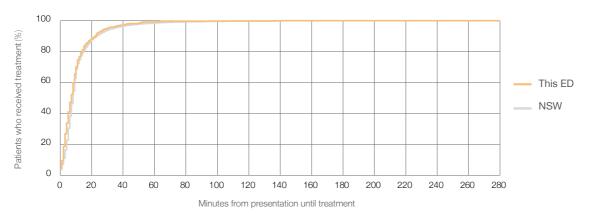
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 503

Median time to start treatment 4 7 minutes

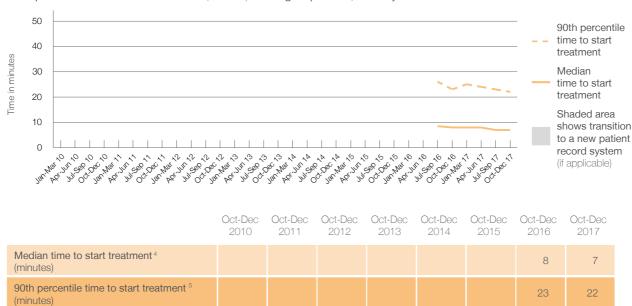
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 22 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year
	465
	464
8 minutes	8 minutes
23 minutes	23 minutes

#### Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2017 \*\*\*



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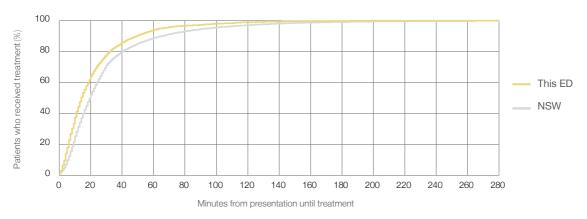
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# Byron Central Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3

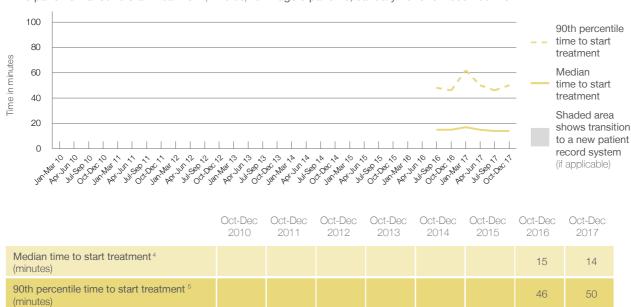
October to December 2017

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,843	1,381	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,829	1,363	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup> 14 minutes	15 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment <sup>5</sup> 50 minutes	46 minutes	65 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to December 2017  $^{\dagger \ddagger\$}$ 



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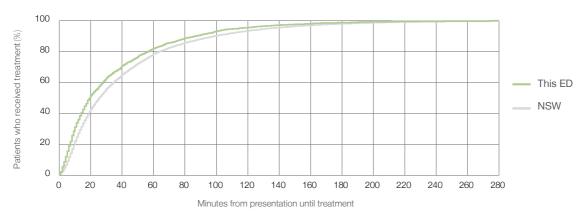
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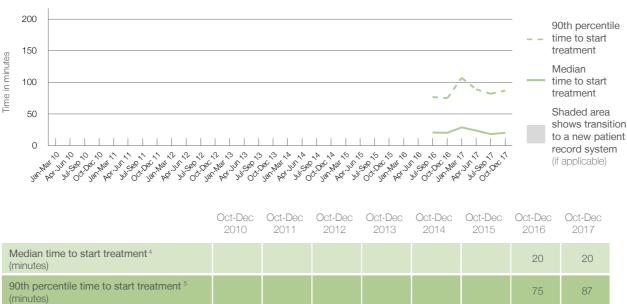
# Byron Central Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 October to December 2017

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,310	2,088	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,239	2,026	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup> 20 minutes	20 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment <sup>5</sup> 87 minutes	75 minutes	99 minutes

#### Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to December 2017  $^{\dagger \ddagger\$}$ 



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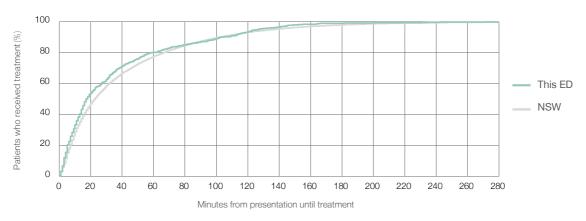
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# Byron Central Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5

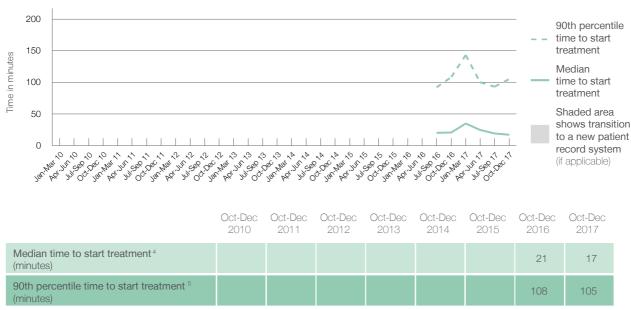
October to December 2017

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts	or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 721		947	
Number of triage 5 patients used to cale	culate waiting time: 3 657	855	
Median time to start treatment <sup>4</sup>	17 minutes	21 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment <sup>5</sup>	105 minutes	108 minutes	103 minutes

#### Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2017



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to December 2017 \*\*\*



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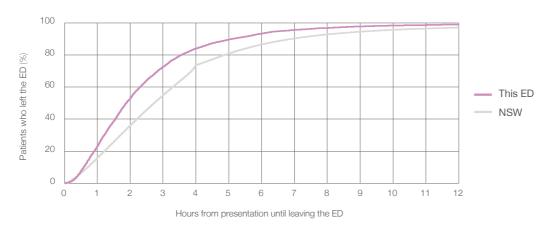
### Byron Central Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2017

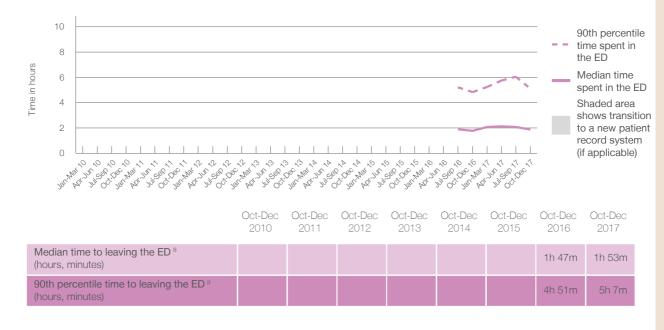
All presentations: 5,481 patients Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 5,476 patients Median time spent in the ED 8 1 hours and 53 minutes 90th percentile time spent in the ED 9 5 hours and 7 minutes

NSW (this period)	Same period last year	
	4,958	
	4,958	
2 hours and 44 minutes	1 hours and 47 minutes	
6 hours and 55 minutes	4 hours and 51 minutes	

#### Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2017



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2017



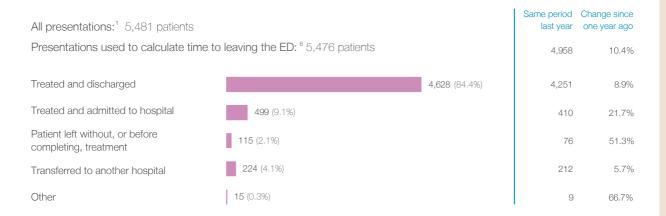
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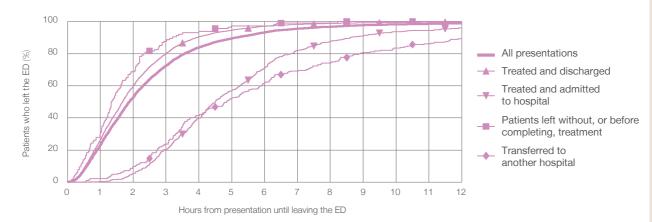
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# Byron Central Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation October to December 2017



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2017



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

Treated and discharged	26.5%	59.9%	80.2%	90.6%	97.1%	98.9%	99.5%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.4%	5.6%	20.2%	39.9%	71.1%	87.8%	93.8%	96.2%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	30.4%	68.7%	87.8%	93.9%	97.4%	99.1%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	2.2%	9.8%	23.7%	41.5%	62.1%	74.1%	83.5%	89.3%
All presentations	23.2%	53.0%	72.5%	84.0%	93.3%	96.8%	98.3%	99.0%

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# **Byron Central Hospital:** Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED October to December 2017

All presentations at the emergency department: 15,481 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 65,476 patients

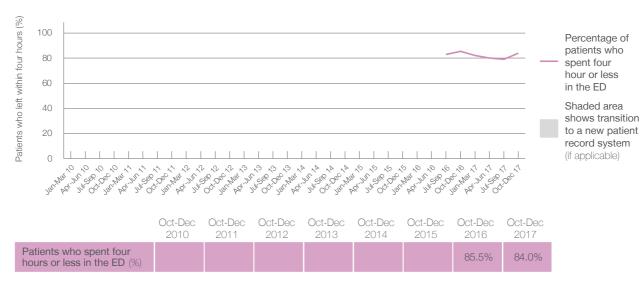
Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED

84.0%

one year ago	
10.5%	4,958
10.4%	4,958

85.5%

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2017 118



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- 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 23 January 2018).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 23 January 2018).