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Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Emergency department (ED) overview

October to December 2018

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1 10,775 patients	10,261	5%
Emergency presentations: ² 10,047 patients	10,031	0%

Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Time patients waited to start treatment ³

October to December 2018

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 1,105 patients	1,092	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment 5 12 minutes	12 minutes	26 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 3,247 patients	3,243	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 17 minutes	17 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 59 minutes	62 minutes	72 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 4,280 patients	4,210	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	28 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	123 minutes	104 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,345 patients	1,407	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	29 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	129 minutes	104 minutes

Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

October to December 2018

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 10,775 patients

Percentage of patients who spent	
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four hours or less in the ED	71%

	Change since one year ago
10,261	5%
72%	

Same period Change since

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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: October to December 2018.
- 4. The median is the time by which half of patients started treatment. The other half of patients waited equal to or longer
- 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.

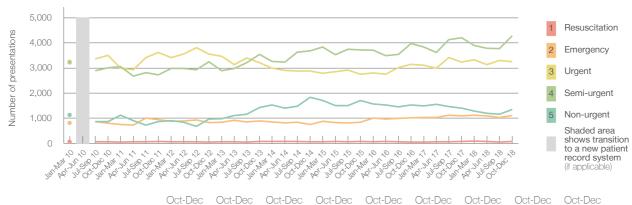
Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 22 January 2019).

Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Patients presenting to the emergency department

October to December 2018

			last year	one year ago
All presentations: 10,775 patie	ents		10,261	5%
Emergency presentations ² by	10,031	0%		
1 Resuscitation	70 (0.7%)	79	-11.4%	
2 Emergency	1,105 (11.0%)		1,092	1.2%
3 Urgent		3,247 (32.3%)	3,243	0.1%
4 Semi-urgent		4,280 (42.6%)	4,210	1.7%
5 Non-urgent	1,345 (13.4%)		1,407	-4.4%

Emergency presentations² by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 [‡]



	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018
Resuscitation	65	69	51	72	66	70	54	79	70
Emergency	805	937	825	886	748	845	1,019	1,092	1,105
Urgent	3,502	3,623	3,551	3,214	2,878	2,747	3,154	3,243	3,247
Semi-urgent	3,005	2,733	3,250	3,542	3,683	3,727	3,973	4,210	4,280
Non-urgent	863	863	970	1,424	1,839	1,703	1,527	1,407	1,345
All emergency presentations	8,240	8,225	8,647	9,138	9,214	9,092	9,727	10,031	10,047

Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Patients arriving by ambulance

October to December 2018

Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 2,419 patients

ED Transfer of care time

Median time

11 minutes

29 minutes

12 minutes

4 minutes

Same period Change since

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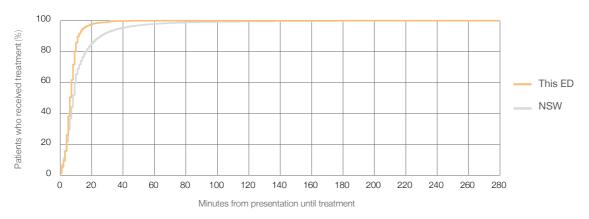
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Approaches to reporting time measures of emergency department performance, December 2011.

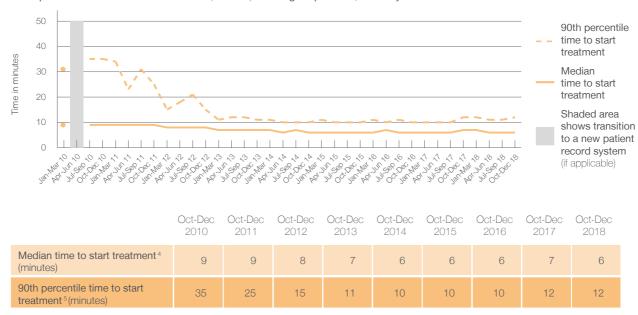
October to December 2018

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 1,105	1,092	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,105	1,091	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 6 minutes	7 minutes	8 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	12 minutes	26 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 †‡



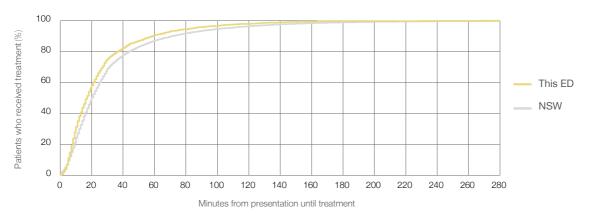
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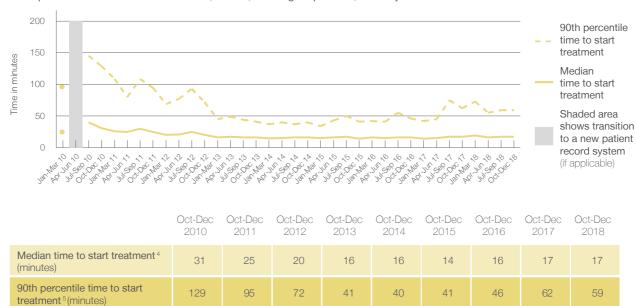
October to December 2018

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 3,247	3,243	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,196	3,167	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 17 minutes	17 minutes	20 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 59 minutes	62 minutes	72 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 †‡



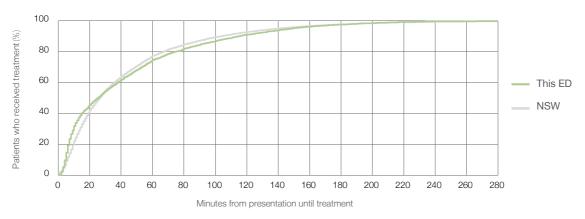
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October to December 2018

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 4,280	4,210	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 3,918	3,831	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 25 minutes	28 minutes	26 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	123 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 †‡



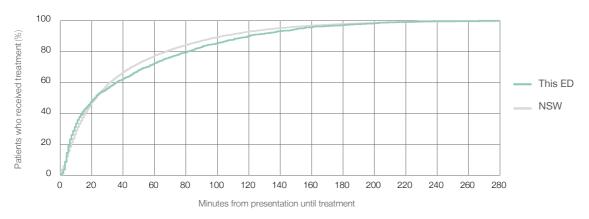
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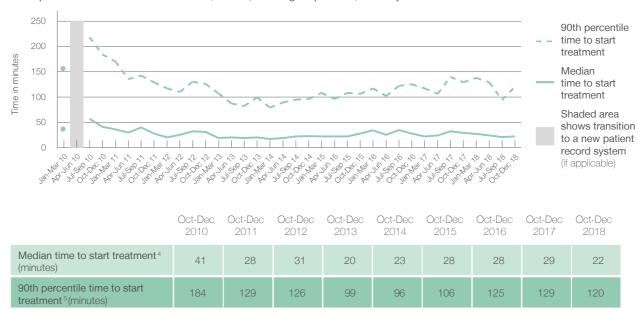
October to December 2018

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,345	1,407	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,217	1,275	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 22 minutes	29 minutes	23 minutes
90th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	129 minutes	104 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, October to December 2018



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, January 2010 to December 2018 †‡



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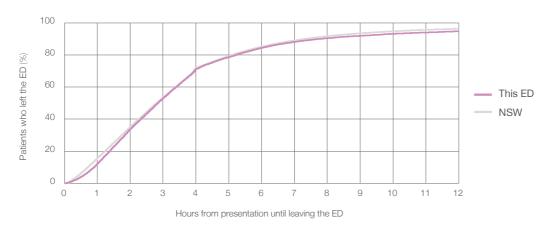
Same period

Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Time patients spent in the ED

October to December 2018

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, October to December 2018



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018



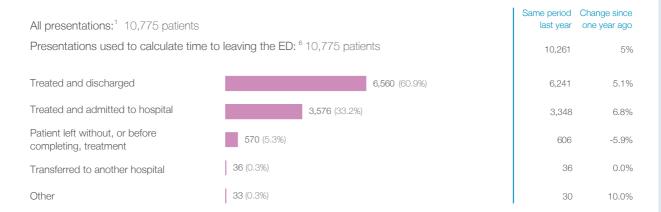
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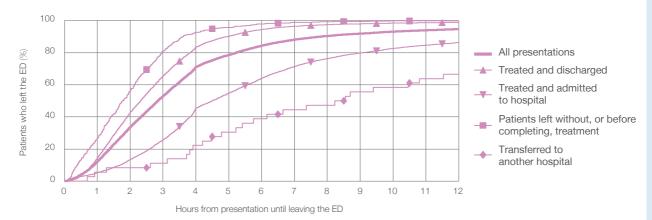
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Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation October to December 2018



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, October to December 2018



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

Treated and discharged	14.5%	42.8%	65.5%	83.4%	94.5%	97.5%	98.4%	99.0%
Treated and admitted to hospital	5.1%	13.4%	25.8%	45.4%	64.1%	76.4%	82.7%	86.4%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	26.7%	56.3%	81.1%	92.8%	97.9%	99.3%	99.8%	99.8%
Transferred to another hospital	5.6%	8.3%	11.1%	22.2%	38.9%	47.2%	58.3%	66.7%
All presentations	12.2%	33.8%	53.0%	71.2%	84.4%	90.4%	93.2%	94.7%

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Coffs Harbour Health Campus: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED October to December 2018

All presentations at the emergency department: 110,775 patients

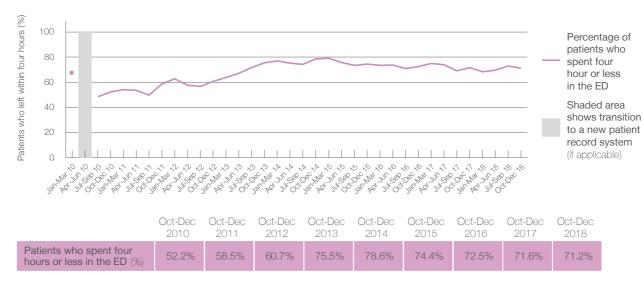
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 10,775 patients

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

71.2%

	Change since one year ago
10,261	5%
10,261	5%
71.6%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, January 2010 to December 2018 †*



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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 22 January 2019).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 22 January 2019).