

Hospital Quarterly

Performance Profiles

Emergency Department

Nepean Blue Mountains Local Health District

Same period Change since

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 4,216 patients	4,011	5.1%
Emergency presentations: ² 4,123 patients	3,942	4.6%

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment ³ July to September 2016

	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 497 patients	544	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	8 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 43 minutes	31 minutes	41 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 997 patients	1,088	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	16 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	104 minutes	103 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,033 patients	1,665	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	19 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	124 minutes	139 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 584 patients	617	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 35 minutes	15 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	102 minutes	138 minutes

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

July to September 2016

Same period Change since one year ago

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 4,204 patients

4,011

4.8%

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

76.0%

82.1%

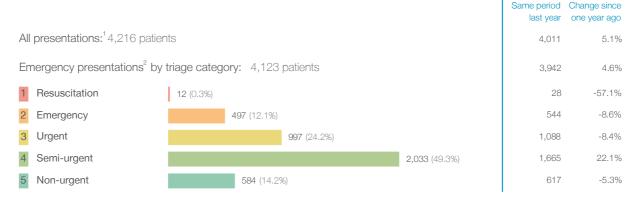
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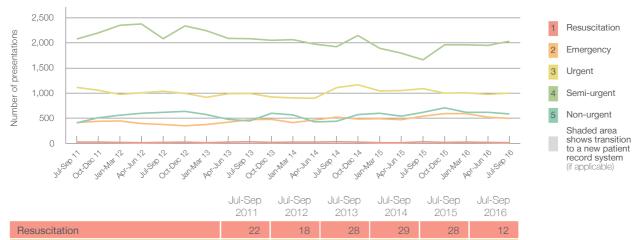
Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 20 October 2016).

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 [‡]



377

1,039

2,086

616

4,136

469

991

2,083

4,018

523

1,109

1,922

439

4,022

544

1,088

1,665

617

3,942

497

997

4,123

Same period Change since

Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

416

1,114

2,079

406

4,037

July to September 2016

All emergency presentations

Emergency Urgent

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate trans	sfer of care time: 7 668 patients	663	
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	13 minutes	13 minutes	0 minutes
95th percentile time	39 minutes	35 minutes	4 minutes

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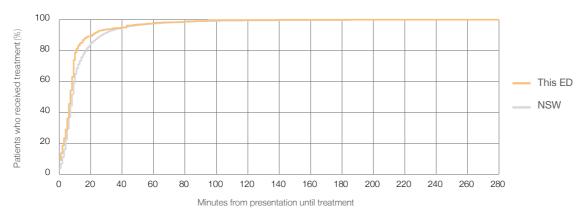
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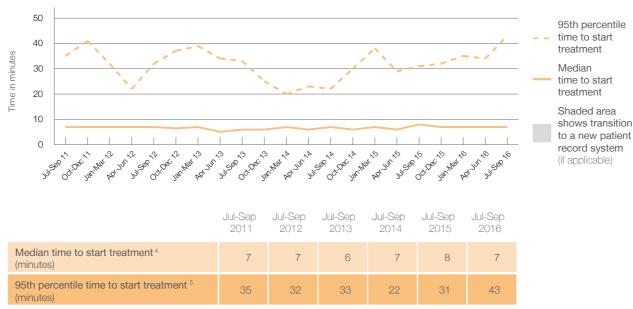
Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)		NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 497		
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 470		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 7 minutes	8 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 43 minutes	31 minutes	41 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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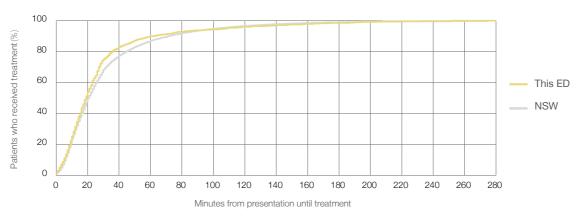
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)			NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 997	Number of triage 3 patients: 997		
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 932			
Median time to start treatment ⁴	19 minutes	16 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	109 minutes	104 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



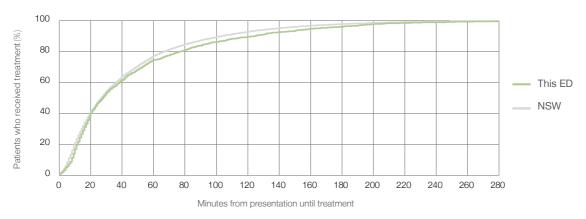
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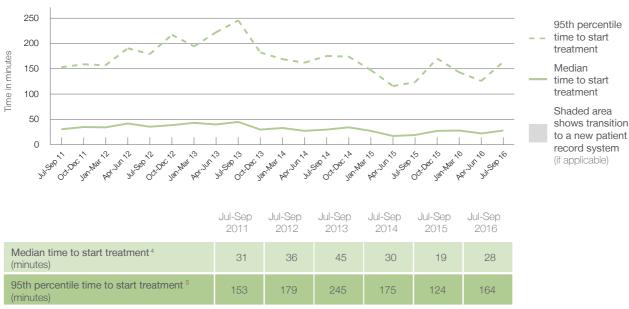
Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,033	1,665	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,833	1,560	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 28 minutes	19 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	124 minutes	139 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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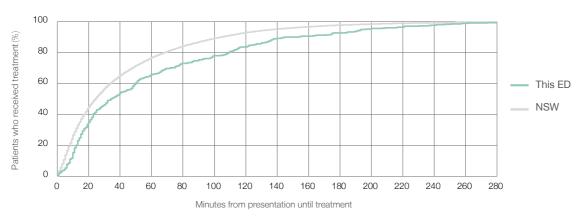
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)			Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 584			617	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calcu	late waiting time: 3 496		567	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	35 minutes		15 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		197 minutes	102 minutes	138 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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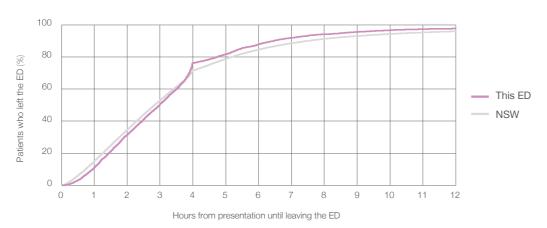
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

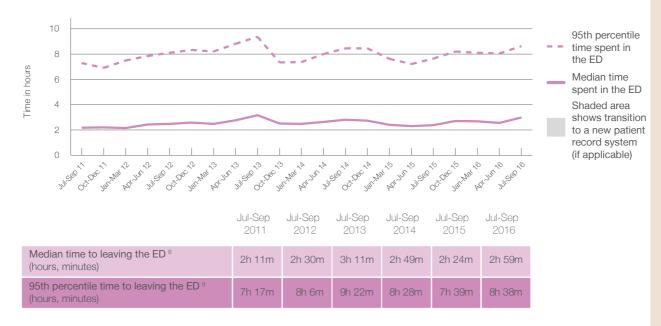
July to September 2016

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Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016



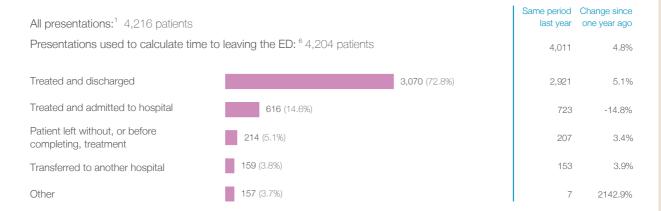
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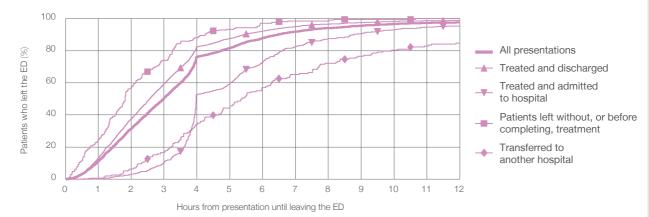
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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2016



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2016



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

Treated and discharged	13.2%	37.5%	59.4%	82.3%	92.3%	96.6%	98.2%	98.9%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.5%	3.1%	10.4%	52.7%	73.0%	87.5%	93.0%	95.3%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	24.5%	57.1%	74.1%	88.2%	97.2%	98.6%	99.5%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	0%	6.3%	16.5%	34.2%	57.0%	72.2%	80.4%	84.8%
All presentations	11.2%	31.5%	50.6%	76.0%	87.9%	94.1%	96.6%	97.6%

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Blue Mountains District Anzac Memorial Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 14,216 patients

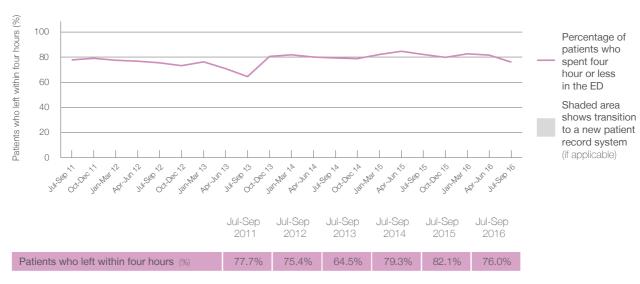
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 4,204 patients

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

76.0%

one year ago	
5.1%	4,011
4.8%	4,011
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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 14



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- 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 95th percentile is the time by which 95% of patients left the ED. The final 5% 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 20 October 2016).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 20 October 2016).

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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Emergency department (ED) overview July to September 2016

All presentations: \$ 5,701 patients \$ 5,596 \$ 1.9% Emergency presentations: \$ 5,499 patients \$ 5,390 \$ 2.0%

Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment ³

July to September 2016

July to September 2016

	Same period last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 581 patients	474	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	12 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 35 minutes	34 minutes	41 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 1,636 patients	1,481	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 18 minutes	19 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 47 minutes	53 minutes	103 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 2,861 patients	2,838	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	21 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	86 minutes	139 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 400 patients	581	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	26 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	136 minutes	138 minutes

Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 5,674 patients

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

77.8%

1	Change since one year ago
5,596	1.4%
81.3%	

Same period Change since

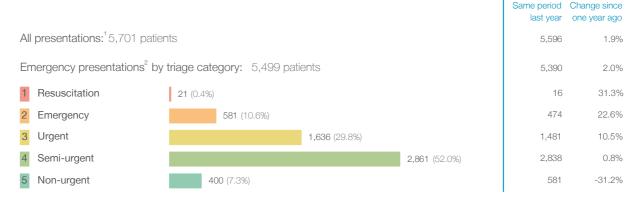
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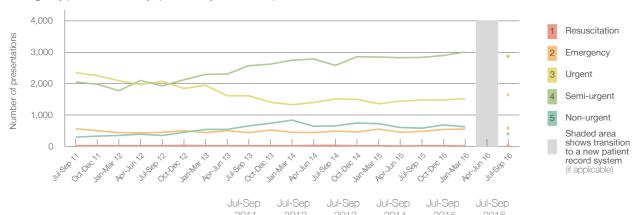
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 *§



	2011	2012	2010	2014	2010	2010
Resuscitation	15	24	20	25	16	21
Emergency	560	446	440	485	474	581
Urgent	2,344	2,068	1,607	1,505	1,481	1,636
Semi-urgent	2,051	1,922	2,567	2,580	2,838	2,861
Non-urgent	295	341	648	656	581	400
All emergency presentations	5,265	4,801	5,282	5,251	5,390	5,499

Hawkesbury District Health Services: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2016

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transf	1,083		
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	19 minutes	16 minutes	3 minutes
95th percentile time	55 minutes	39 minutes	16 minutes

Same period Change since

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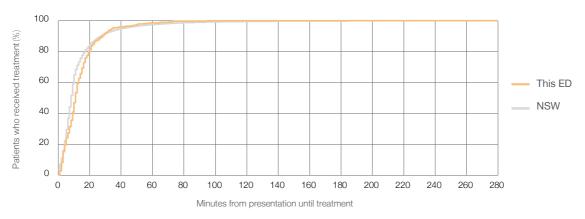
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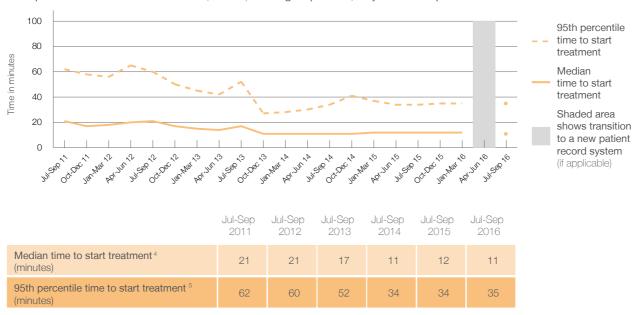
Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 581	474	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 580		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	12 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 35 minutes	34 minutes	41 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 ***



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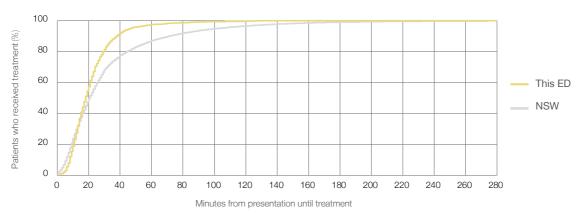
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 1,636	1,481	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,634	1,480	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 18 minutes	19 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 47 minutes	53 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 ***



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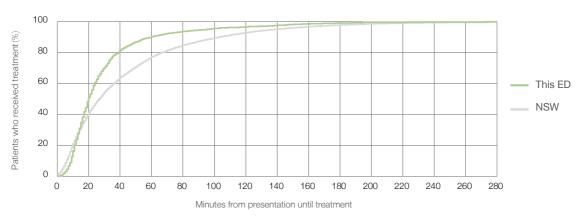
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 2,861	2,838	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,853	2,817	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 20 minutes	21 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 96 minutes	86 minutes	139 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 ***



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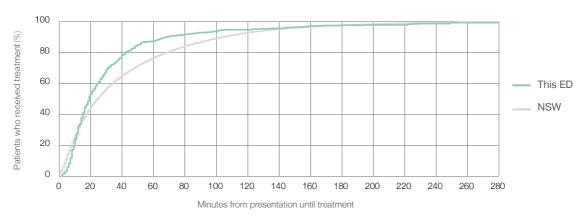
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 400	581	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 388	558	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	26 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	136 minutes	138 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 ***



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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2016

95th percentile time spent in the ED 9

All presentations: ¹ 5,701 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: ⁶ 5,674 patients

Median time spent in the ED ⁸

2 hours and 59 minutes

9 hours and 22 minutes

Same period last year (this period)

5,596

5,596

2 hours and 50 minutes

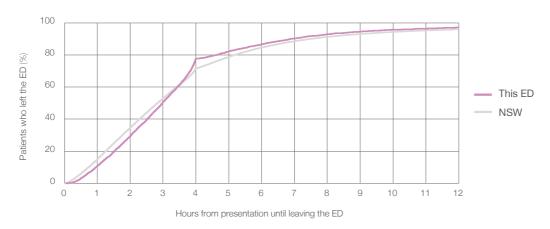
7 hours and 45 minutes

NSW (this period)

2 hours and 50 minutes

10 hours and 43 minutes

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016



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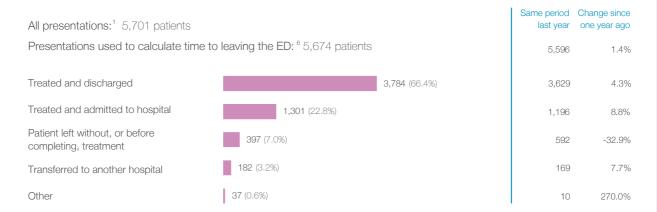
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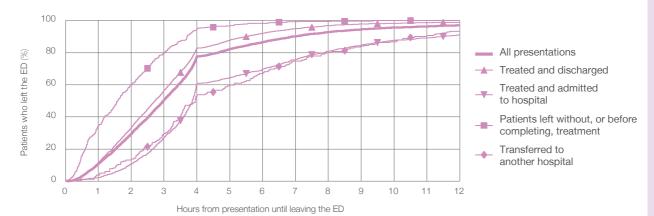
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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation July to September 2016



Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2016



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

Treated and discharged	11.7%	33.5%	56.6%	82.8%	92.1%	96.9%	98.4%	99.0%
Treated and admitted to hospital	2.1%	10.6%	27.1%	61.0%	69.7%	80.9%	87.7%	91.2%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	34.3%	59.9%	79.8%	95.0%	98.2%	99.5%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	3.8%	13.7%	29.7%	53.8%	67.0%	80.2%	86.8%	93.4%
All presentations	10.9%	29.5%	50.7%	77.8%	86.6%	92.9%	95.7%	97.1%

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Hawkesbury District Health Services: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 15,701 patients

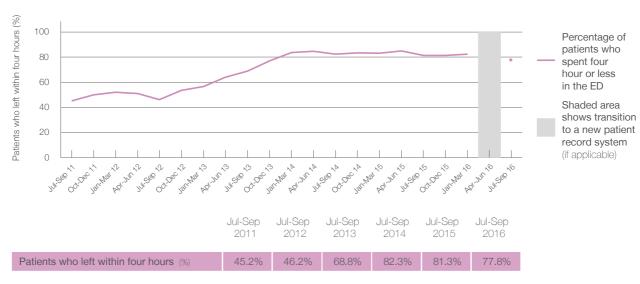
Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 65,674 patients

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

77.8%

Change since one year ago	
1.9%	5,596
1.4%	5,596
	81.3%

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 14



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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.
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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.

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

Sources: ED data from Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 20 October 2016).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 20 October 2016).

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Same period Change since

Same period

Lithgow Health Service: Emergency department (ED) overview

July to September 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1 3,099 patients	3,121	-0.7%
Emergency presentations: ² 2,969 patients	3,012	-1.4%

Lithgow Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment 3

July to September 2016

July to September 2016

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 420 patients	289	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 4 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment 5 18 minutes	21 minutes	41 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 999 patients	969	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	11 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 58 minutes	58 minutes	103 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 1,171 patients	1,307	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	13 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	71 minutes	139 minutes
Triang 5 Non-urgant (a.g. amall outs or abrasiona), 255 nationts	439	
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 355 patients	439	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	10 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	83 minutes	138 minutes

Lithgow Health Service: Time from presentation until leaving the ED

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 3,094 patients

Percentage of patients who spent

Percentage of patients who spent	
	87.1%
four hours or less in the ED	07.170

	one year ago
3,121	-0.9%
85.3%	

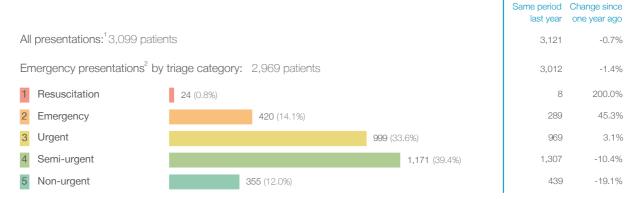
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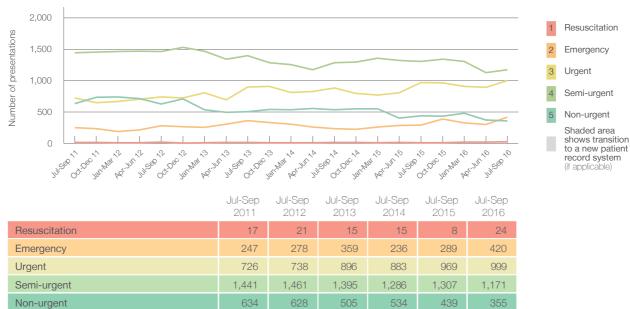
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Lithgow Health Service: Patients presenting to the emergency department

July to September 2016



Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 [‡]



Lithgow Health Service: Patients arriving by ambulance

3,065

July to September 2016

All emergency presentations

		last year	one year ago
Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: 7 659 patients			
ED Transfer of care time			
Median time	9 minutes	10 minutes	-1 minute
95th percentile time	35 minutes	32 minutes	3 minutes

3,126

3,170

2,954

3,012

2,969

Same period Change since

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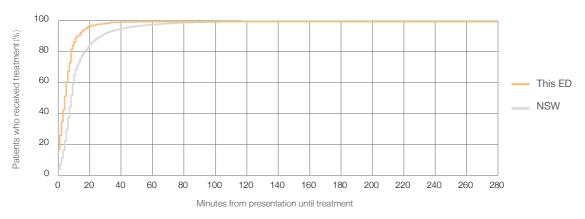
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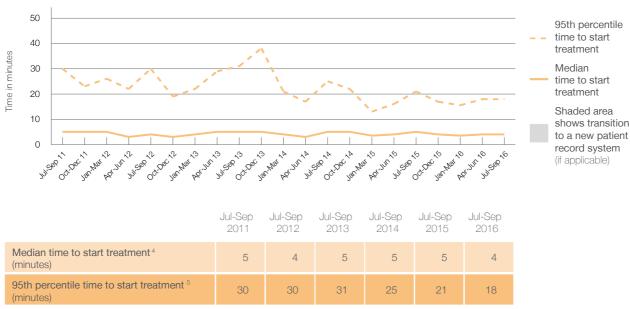
Lithgow Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 420	289	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 415	280	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 4 minutes	5 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 18 minutes	21 minutes	41 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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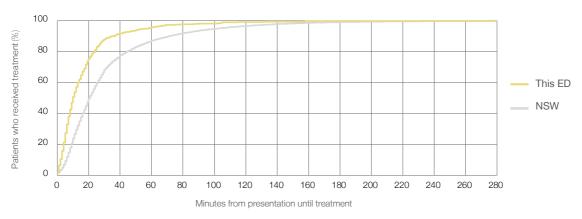
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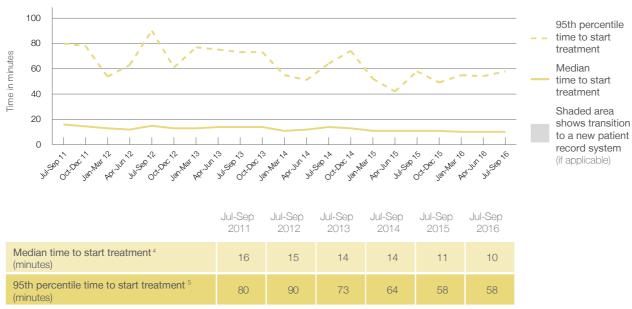
Lithgow Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 3 patients: 999	969	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 971	944	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 10 minutes	11 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 58 minutes	58 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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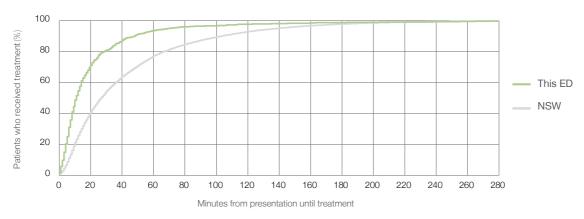
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Lithgow Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 1,171	1,307	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,123	1,250	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 11 minutes	13 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 70 minutes	71 minutes	139 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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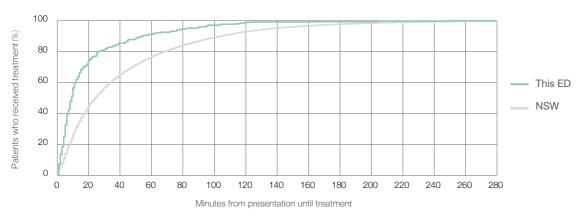
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Lithgow Health Service: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 5 patients: 355	439	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 331	409	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 9 minutes	10 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 83 minutes	83 minutes	138 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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Lithgow Health Service: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2016

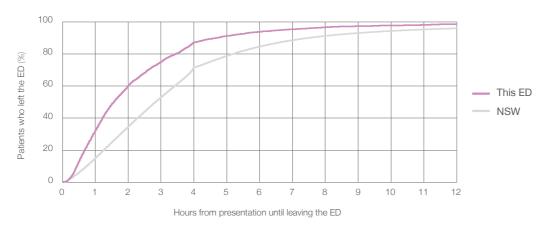
All presentations: 1 3,099 patients Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 3,094 patients

Median time spent in the ED 8 1 hours and 34 minutes 6 hours and 43 minutes

95th percentile time spent in the ED $^{\rm 9}$

NSW (this period)	Same period last year	
	3,121	
	3,121	
2 hours and 50 minutes	1 hours and 32 minutes	
10 hours and 43 minutes	6 hours and 36 minutes	

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016



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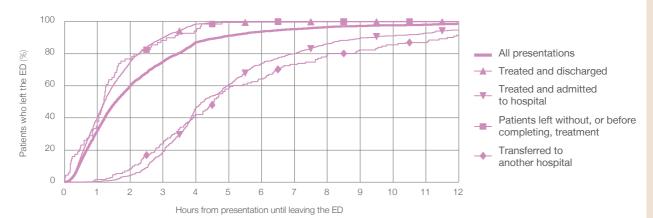
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Lithgow Health Service: Time patients spent in the ED

By mode of separation
July to September 2016

All presentations: 3,099 patients			Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Presentations used to calculate time to	leaving the ED: 6 3,094 patients		3,121	-0.9%
Treated and discharged		2,339 (75.5%)	2,476	-5.5%
Treated and admitted to hospital	518 (16.7%)		477	8.6%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	71 (2.3%)		63	12.7%
Transferred to another hospital	131 (4.2%)		97	35.1%
Other	40 (1.3%)		8	400.0%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2016 †‡



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

Treated and discharged	40.7%	75.1%	90.0%	98.5%	99.7%	99.8%	99.8%	99.8%
Treated and admitted to hospital	0.4%	4.3%	19.2%	46.5%	73.8%	86.0%	91.1%	94.8%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	37.7%	76.8%	88.4%	94.2%	100%	100%	100%	100%
Transferred to another hospital	1.5%	8.4%	23.7%	42.0%	64.1%	79.4%	85.5%	91.6%
All presentations	32.3%	60.2%	75.1%	87.1%	93.8%	96.6%	97.7%	98.6%

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Lithgow Health Service: Time spent in the ED

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 13,099 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 63,094 patients

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

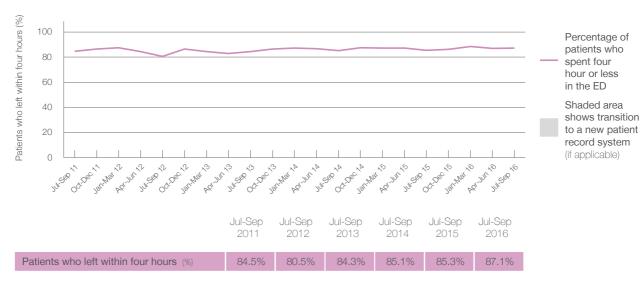
87.1%

last year	one year ago
3,121	-0.7%
3,121	-0.9%

85.3%

Same period Change since

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 14



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Same period Change since

NSW

Same period

$\textbf{Nepean Hospital:} \ \, \textbf{Emergency department} \ \, (\textbf{ED}) \ \, \textbf{overview}$

July to September 2016

	last year	one year ago
All presentations: 1 17,045 patients	16,838	1.2%
Emergency presentations: ² 16,920 patients	16,686	1.4%

Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment 3

July to September 2016

	last year	(this period)
Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns): 2,633 patients	2,414	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	12 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 72 minutes	72 minutes	41 minutes
Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood loss, dehydration): 5,003 patients	4,767	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 30 minutes	47 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	268 minutes	103 minutes
Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache): 7,332 patients	7,501	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	48 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	249 minutes	139 minutes
Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions): 1,853 patients	1,886	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 35 minutes	47 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	251 minutes	138 minutes

Nepean Hospital: Time from presentation until leaving the ED July to September 2016

Attendances used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,007 patients

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Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED		52.6%

one year ago		
1.0%	16,838	
	47.9%	

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Source: Health Information Exchange, NSW Health (extracted 20 October 2016).

Nepean Hospital: Patients presenting to the emergency department July to September 2016

1,853 (11.0%)

3,977

5,647

1 463

13,534

Same period Change since last year one year ago All presentations: 17,045 patients 16.838 1.2% Emergency presentations² by triage category: 16,920 patients 16,686 1.4% Resuscitation 99 (0.6%) 118 -16.1% 2,633 (15.6%) 2.414 9.1% Emergency Urgent 5,003 (29.6%) 4.767 5.0%

7,332 (43.3%)

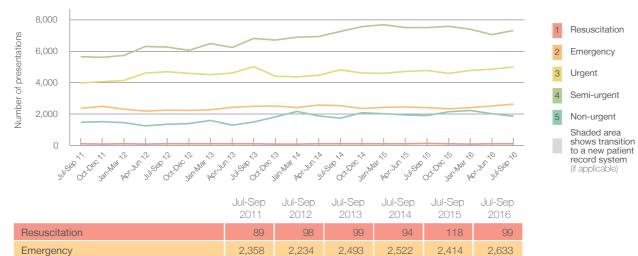
7,501

1,886

-2.3%

-1.7%

Emergency presentations² by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 [‡]



4,696

6,252

1.350

14,630

5,019

6,812

1.489

15,912

4,810

7,268

16.427

4,767

7,501

1.886

16.686

5,003

7,332

16.920

Same period Change since

-3 minutes

Nepean Hospital: Patients arriving by ambulance

July to September 2016

All emergency presentations

Urgent

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

Semi-urgent

Non-urgent

last year one year ago Arrivals used to calculate transfer of care time: ⁷ 5,034 patients 4,861 ED Transfer of care time Median time 12 minutes 15 minutes 95th percentile time 44 minutes 172 minutes -128 minutes

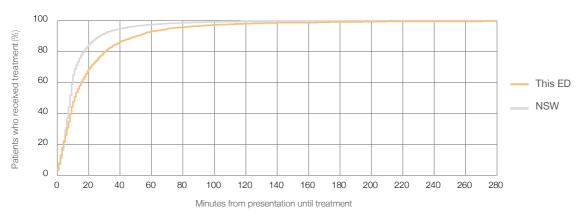
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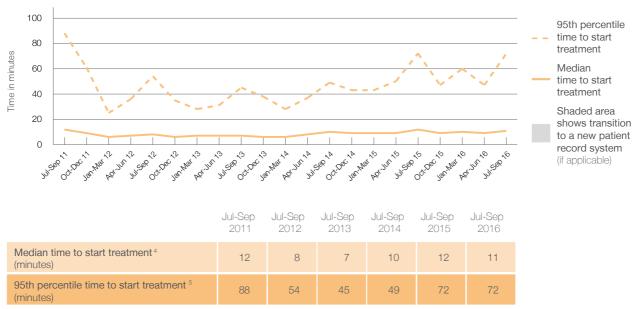
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 2 July to September 2016

Triage 2 Emergency (e.g. chest pain, severe burns)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 2 patients: 2,633	2,414	
Number of triage 2 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 2,597	2,315	
Median time to start treatment ⁴	12 minutes	8 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵ 72 minutes	72 minutes	41 minutes

Percentage of triage 2 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 2 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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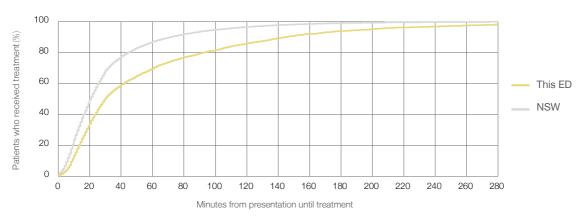
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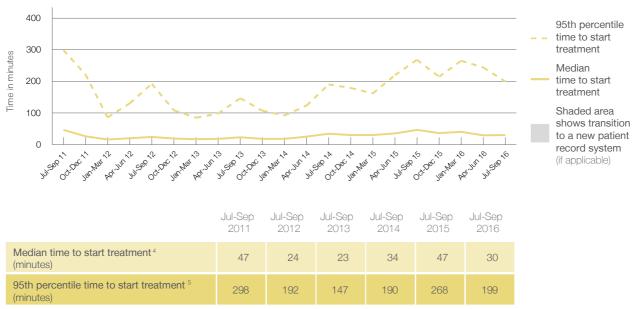
Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 3 July to September 2016

Triage 3 Urgent (e.g. moderate blood	Same period last year	NSW (this period)		
Number of triage 3 patients: 5,003			4,767	
Number of triage 3 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 4,680				
Median time to start treatment ⁴	30 minutes		47 minutes	21 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵		199 minutes	268 minutes	103 minutes

Percentage of triage 3 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 3 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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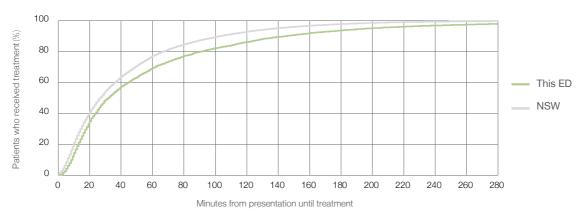
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 4 July to September 2016

Triage 4 Semi-urgent (e.g. sprained ankle, earache)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)
Number of triage 4 patients: 7,332	7,501	
Number of triage 4 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 6,690	6,456	
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 32 minutes	48 minutes	27 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	249 minutes	139 minutes

Percentage of triage 4 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 4 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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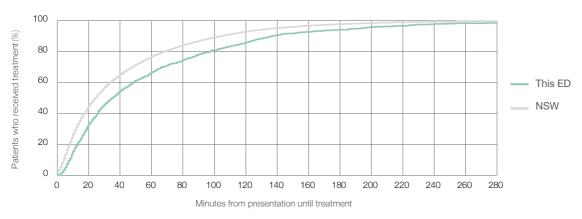
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients waited to start treatment, triage 5 July to September 2016

Triage 5 Non-urgent (e.g. small cuts or abrasions)	Same period last year	NSW (this period)	
Number of triage 5 patients: 1,853		1,886	
Number of triage 5 patients used to calculate waiting time: 3 1,535	1,464		
Median time to start treatment ⁴ 35 minutes		47 minutes	24 minutes
95th percentile time to start treatment ⁵	193 minutes	251 minutes	138 minutes

Percentage of triage 5 patients who received treatment by time, July to September 2016



Time patients waited to start treatment (minutes) for triage 5 patients, July 2011 to September 2016 †‡



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NSW

43 minutes

Same period

28 minutes

Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED

July to September 2016

All presentations: 1 17,045 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,007 patients

16,838

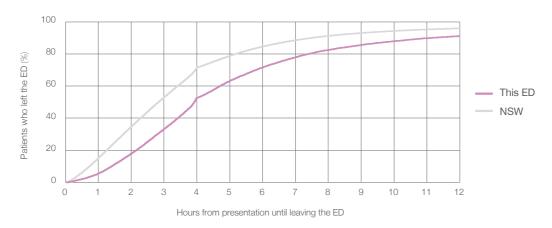
Median time spent in the ED 8 3 hours and 55 minutes

4 hours and 14 minutes 50 minutes

95th percentile time spent in the ED 9 16 hours and 44 minutes

20 hours and 10 h

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time, July to September 2016



Time patients spent in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 ^{†‡}



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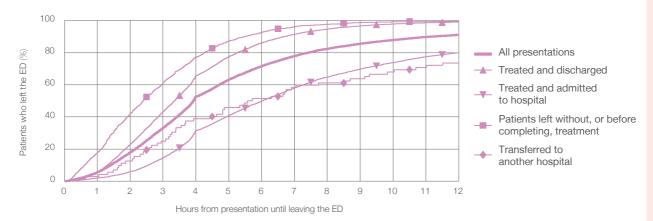
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Nepean Hospital: Time patients spent in the ED By mode of separation July to September 2016

All presentations: ¹ 17,045 patients		Same period last year	Change since one year ago
Presentations used to calculate time t	p leaving the ED: 6 17,007 patients	16,838	1.0%
Treated and discharged	8,119 (47.6%)	8,286	-2.0%
Treated and admitted to hospital	7,082 (41.5%)	6,310	12.2%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	1,682 (9.9%)	2,100	-19.9%
Transferred to another hospital	72 (0.4%)	60	20.0%
Other	90 (0.5%)	82	9.8%

Percentage of patients who left the ED by time and mode of separation, July to September 2016 **



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

Treated and discharged	5.7%	22.9%	43.3%	65.6%	86.1%	94.7%	97.9%	99.1%
Treated and admitted to hospital	1.9%	5.9%	14.6%	31.5%	49.9%	64.8%	73.8%	80.1%
Patient left without, or before completing, treatment	17.8%	42.0%	61.5%	77.2%	92.7%	97.7%	99.3%	99.5%
Transferred to another hospital	2.8%	12.5%	25.0%	38.9%	51.4%	61.1%	68.1%	73.6%
All presentations	5.6%	17.9%	33.3%	52.6%	71.6%	82.4%	87.9%	91.1%

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

^(±) 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.

Nepean Hospital: Time spent in the ED Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED July to September 2016

All presentations at the emergency department: 117,045 patients

Presentations used to calculate time to leaving the ED: 6 17,007 patients

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



	Change since one year ago
16,838	1.2%
16,838	1.0%
47.9%	

Percentage of patients who spent four hours or less in the ED, by quarter, July 2011 to September 2016 †*



- * Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect privacy. Relevant graphs are also suppressed.
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- 1. All emergency and non-emergency presentations at the emergency department (\mbox{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 95th percentile is the time by which 95% of patients started treatment. The final 5% 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 95th percentile is the time by which 95% of patients left the ED. The final 5% 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 20 October 2016).

Transfer of care data from Transfer of Care Reporting System (extracted 20 October 2016).