## Healthcare Quarterly

## Northern Sydney LHD



Emergency department activity		Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	% change
All arrivals at ED by ambulance		12,361	11,705	656	5.6%
All ED presentations		55,192 54,850	53,463	1,729	3.2%
Emergency presentation	ns				
Triage categor	T1: Resuscitation T2: Emergency 7 T3: Urgent T4: Semi-urgent T5: Non-urgent	546 8,858 16,529 22,177 6,740	538 8,641 15,995 21,493 6,366	8 217 534 684 374	1.5% 2.5% 3.3% 3.2% 5.9%
Admissions to hospital from EDs <sup>1</sup>		19,036	18,426	610	3.3%
Admitted patient activity		Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	% change
All admitted patient episodes		39,891	38,570	1,321	3.4%
All acute episodes		**	**		
	Overnight	**	**		
	Same-day	**	**		
Non-acute		**	**		
Average length of stay (days)	Acute	**	**		
	Acute overnight episodes	**	**		
	Non-acute	**	**		
	All bed days	153,352	162,469	-9,117	-5.6%
Hospital bed days	Acute	**	**		
	Non-acute	**	**		
Babies born in Northern Sydney public hospitals		1,393	1,447	-54	-3.7%
Elective surgery activity		Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	% change
Elective surgery procedures performed		3,335	3,259	76	2.3%
	Urgent	712	757	-45	-5.9%
Urgency category	Semi-urgent	1,269	1,155	114	9.9%
	Non-urgent	1,307	1,289	18	1.4%
Patients on waiting list ready for elective surgery at the end of quarter		3,901	3,899	2	0.1%
	Urgent	56	41	15	36.6%
Urgency category	Semi-urgent	679	715	-36	-5.0%
	Non-urgent	3,166	3,143	23	0.7%

<sup>\*\*</sup> These data are not reported due to a policy change in the definition of patient stay types. A new mental health care stay type has been introduced that comprises patients who were previously included in the acute and non-acute stay types that are routinely reported by BHI. Acute, non-acute and mental health stay types will be reported separately in the next edition of Healthcare Quarterly, which covers January to March 2018.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The decrease in the percentage of patients treated and admitted to hospital from the ED may reflect changes in data coding practices. Changes will be reflected in the January to March 2018 edition of *Healthcare Quarterly* 

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Emergency department performance			Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	
		Median time to treatment	7m	7m	0m	
Time to treatment by triage category	T2: Emergency	90th percentile time to treatment	13m	15m	-2m	
		% started treatment on time	84.7%	82.1%	2.6 percentage points	
		Median time to treatment	15m	15m	0m	
	T3: Urgent	90th percentile time to treatment	40m	45m	-5m	
		% started treatment on time	83.9%	81.3%	2.6 percentage points	
		Median time to treatment	18m	19m	-1m	
	T4: Semi-urgent	90th percentile time to treatment	1h 09m	1h 17m	-8m	
		% started treatment on time	87.2%	84.4%	2.8 percentage points	
		Median time to treatment	20m	20m	0m	
	T5: Non-urgent	90th percentile time to treatment	1h 35m	1h 44m	-9m	
		% started treatment on time	95.8%	94%	6 1.8 percentage points	
Patients starting treatment on time %			86.8%	84.2%	2.6 percentage points	
Median time to leave the ED			2h 53m	2h 54m	-1m	
90th percentile time to leave the ED			6h 15m	6h 16m	-1m	
Patients leaving the ED within four hours of presentation			75.9%	76.0%	-0.1 percentage points	
Transfer of care	Median transfer of care time (minutes)		11m	12m	-1m	
	90th percentile transfer of care time (minutes)		23m	26m	-3m	
	Percent on target		94.7%	92.9%	1.8 percentage points	
Elective surgery perfomance			Oct-Dec 2017	Oct-Dec 2016	Difference	
Waiting time (days)	Urgent	Median	9 days	8 days	1 days	
		90th percentile	22 days	24 days	-2 days	
	Semi-urgent	Median	39 days	41 days	-2 days	
		90th percentile	89 days	90 days	-1 days	
		Median	155 days	122 days	33 days	
	Non-urgent	90th percentile	360 days	331 days	29 days	
Elective surgery procedures performed on time	All procedures		93.6%	94.9%	-1.3 percentage points	
	Urgent		100%	99.5%	0.5 percentage points	
	Semi-urgent		91.3%	90%	1.3 percentage points	
	Non-urgent		92.3%	96.5%	-4.2 percentage points	

<sup>(\*)</sup> Suppressed due to small numbers and to protect patient privacy