

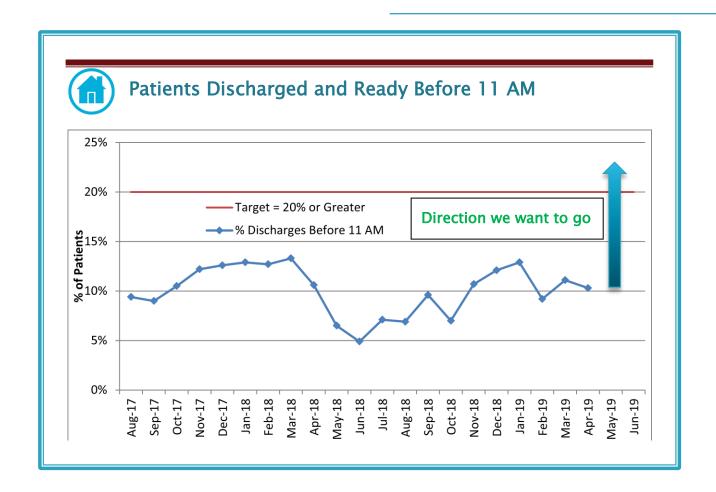


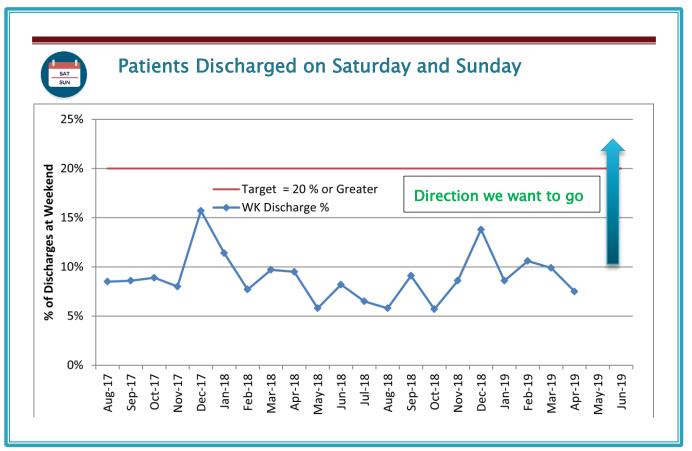
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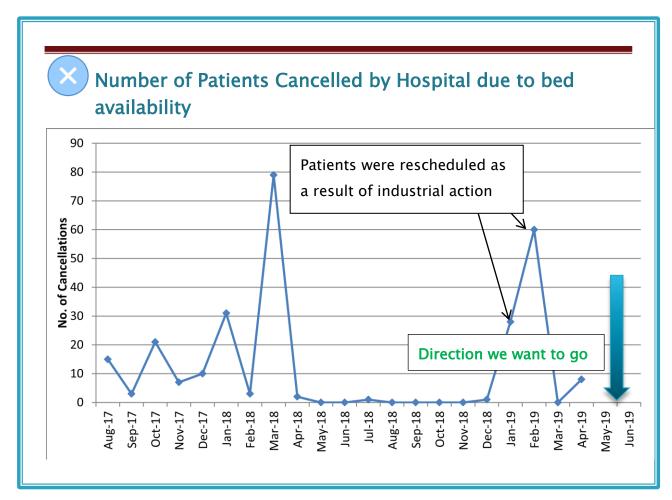
The aim of MUH is to get the right patient into the right bed for the right care. The numbers of patients waiting on a trolley for an inpatient bed is affected by the number of patients who are ready to be discharged to home with support or to a non-acute bed e.g. a nursing home or district hospital.

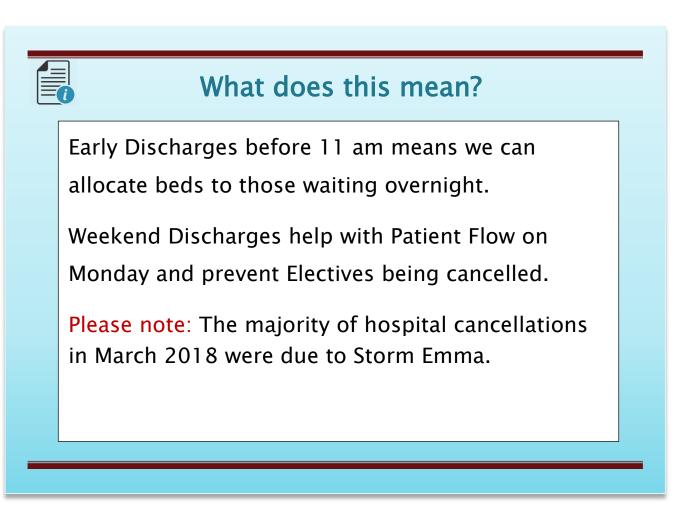
If a patient represents to MUH in an unplanned unexpected fashion within 30 days a review of the reasons will take place. MUH's aim is to prevent all avoidable re-admissions.

Please Note: Bed Days Lost as a result of delayed discharges was adversely affected as a result of the knock-on effects of Storm Emma in March.



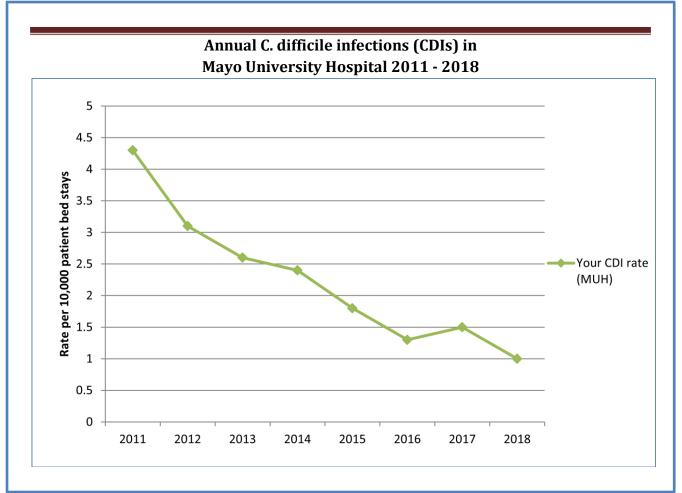


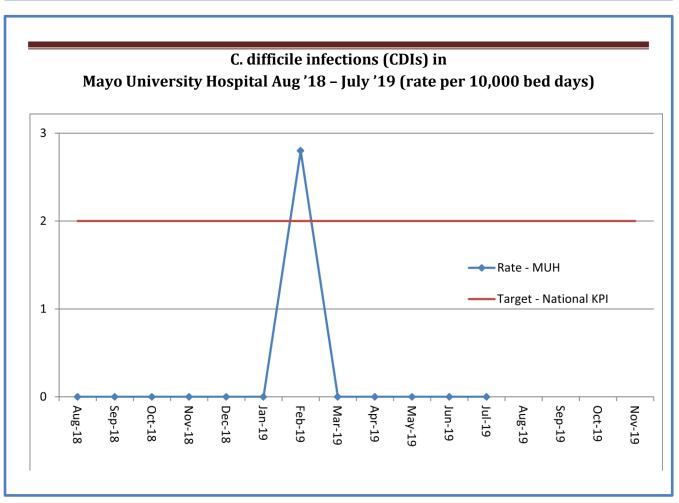




# **Reducing Clostridium Difficile infections in Mayo University**

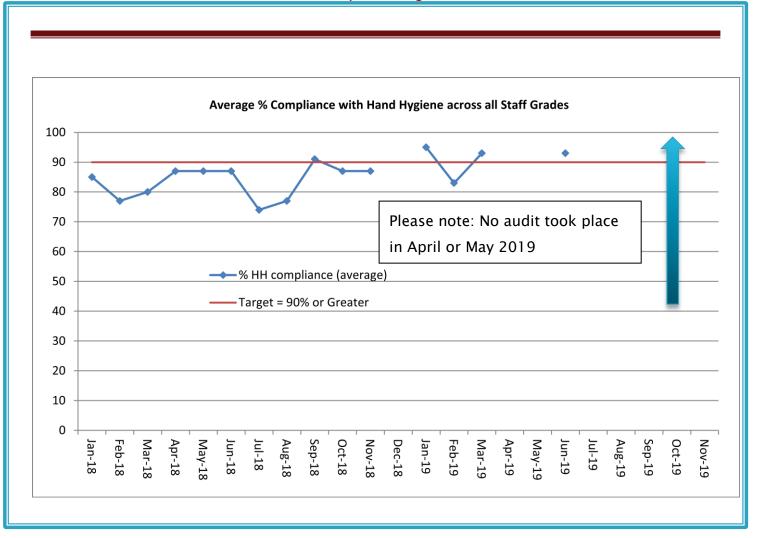
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# MUH Commitment to Quality Care through Hand Hygiene and Environmental

**Audits Updated August 2019** 





# What does this mean?

- Appropriate Antibiotic Prescribing -
  - Pharmacists regularly audit use of antibiotics to ensure if the antibiotic is necessary, the correct type of antibiotic by the correct route (IV or Oral) for the correct duration.
  - Benefits include reduction of C.diff rates and line infections, reduced length of stay and Cost savings
- Effective prevention and control of Healthcare–associated Infections HCAI requires a multi-targeted approach.

Some ways of reducing Healthcare Infections include:

- Effective hand hygiene Education and audit of all staff
  - 100% of Doctors including ALL Consultants have undertaken Hand Hygiene training in the past 2 years as required
  - o Aim to have compliance of at least 90 % on Audit
- Clean environment -
  - Audit of all clinical areas identifies shortcomings and actions are taken to rectify deficiencies
  - o Aim to have compliance of at least 85%

The Nursing and Midwifery Metrics in Mayo University Hospital measures the following standards with 8 patients on each ward /unit each month.

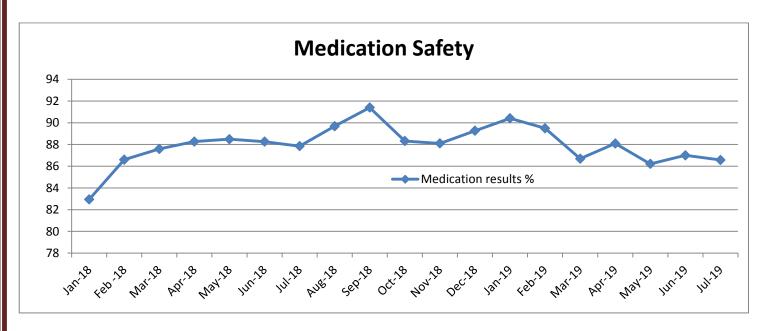
## **Medication Safety**

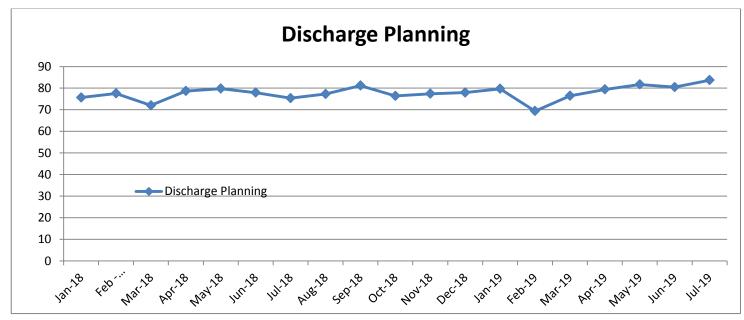
- 1. Medicines are secure, i.e. there should be no medicines on the bottom of trolleys, on lockers, bed tables etc.
- 2. Prescription sheets are correctly labelled and complete.
- 3. The patient has a name band on that is correct.
- 4. The patient understands what medication they are taking. Ask the patient.
- 5. There are no delays noted in relation to medication administration e.g. IV Medication administration.

# **Discharge Planning**

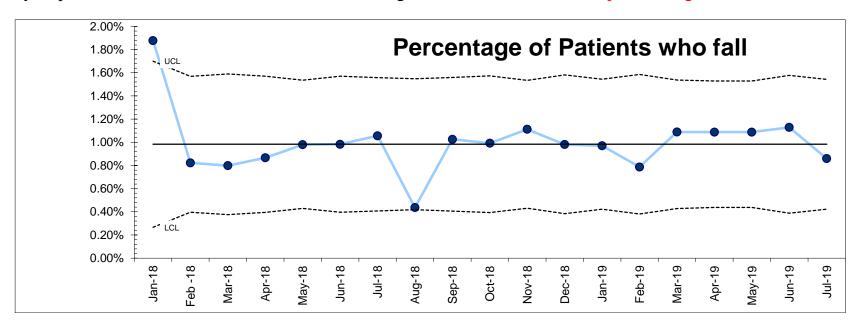
- 1. Has your discharge plan been discussed with you?
- 2. Did you get a copy of the Mayo General Hospital Discharge information leaflet?
- **3.** Do you feel that your care has been discussed with you while you have been in hospital, were your questions answered? Were you part of the decision?

## **Updated August 2019**





This chart shows the percentage of falls in relation to patients discharged from MUH We have a high rate of over 65 year old patients admitted to MUH and this correlates with the increasing age profile of the population of patients we care for.







# What does this mean?

#### What is a fall?

A fall is defined as an event which results in a person coming to rest inadvertently on the ground or floor or other lower level.

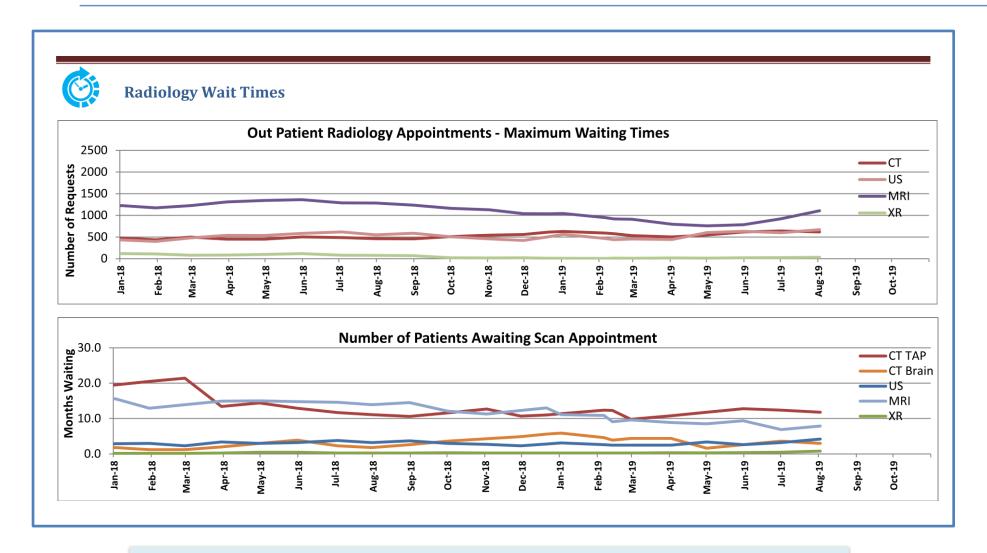
#### Harm caused

In July 2019, there were 2 patients that had repeat falls; these patients were predisposed to falls due to pre-existing medical complaints. Immediate care was given to this patient. A falls review was undertaken to identify any contributory factors, and actions were taken.

#### Actions we have implemented

Policy on identification, assessment, prevention and management of patient falls, New falls assessment, care plan and bed rail risk assessment; Purchased ultra-low beds, one in each of the main clinical areas and falls prevention alarms; The Red Star initiative to identify patients at risk of falling; Information leaflet for health care worker; The actions to take when a patient falls are included in MUH patient safety book; Education on correct use of seating to prevent falls; Multidisciplinary MUH Falls Education DVD.







### What does this mean?

In recent months targeted waiting list initiatives in MRI, CT and Ultrasound have been used to offer appointments to patients with the longest waiting times. This has resulted in a drop in the overall number of people waiting and a reduction in the longest waiting times in these imaging modalities.