

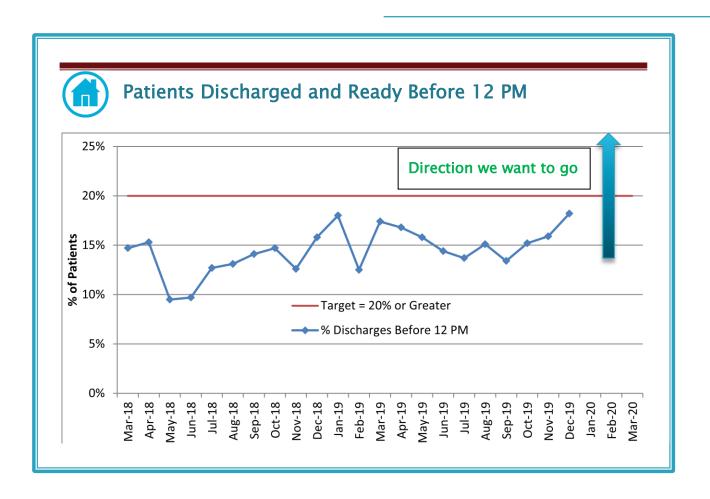


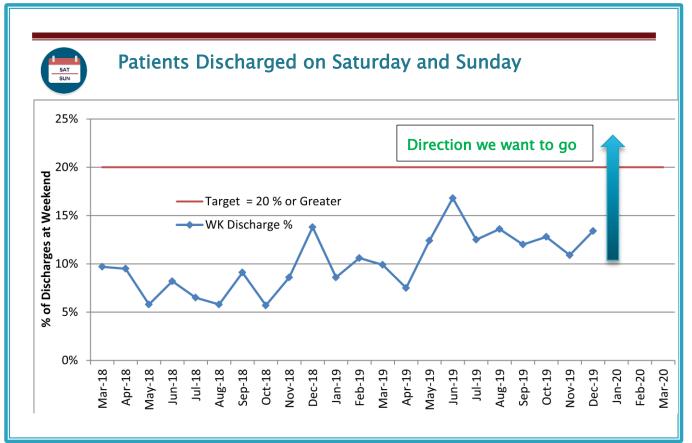
## What does this mean?

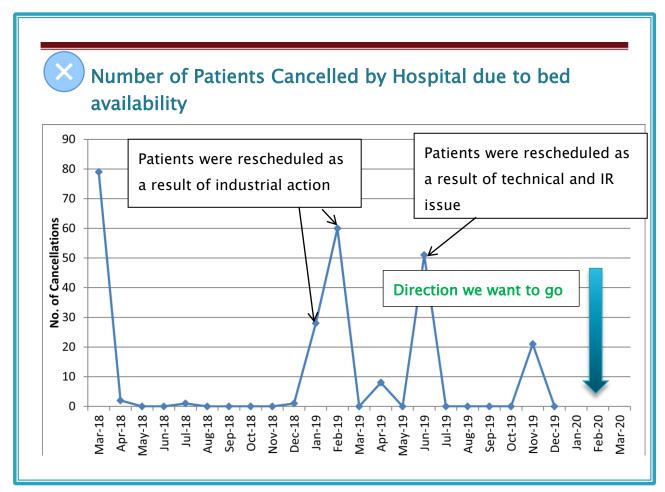
The aim of MUH is to get the right patient into the right bed for the right care. The numbers of patients waiting on a trolley for an inpatient bed is affected by the number of patients who are ready to be discharged to home with support or to a non-acute bed e.g. a nursing home or district hospital.

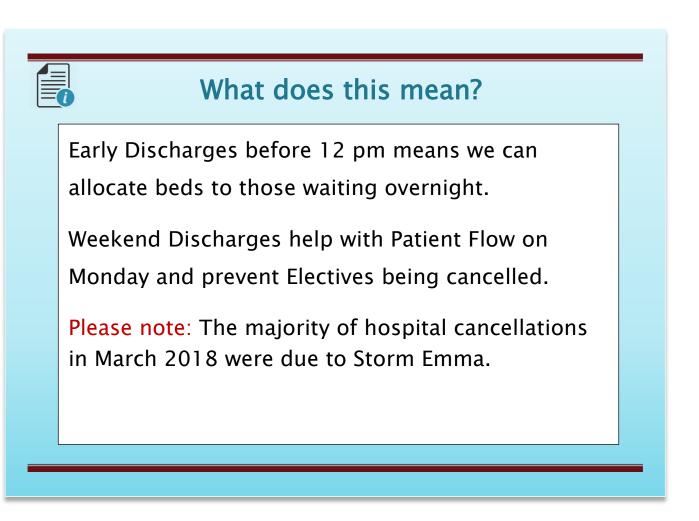
If a patient represents to MUH in an unplanned unexpected fashion within 30 days a review of the reasons will take place. MUH's aim is to prevent all avoidable re-admissions.

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.



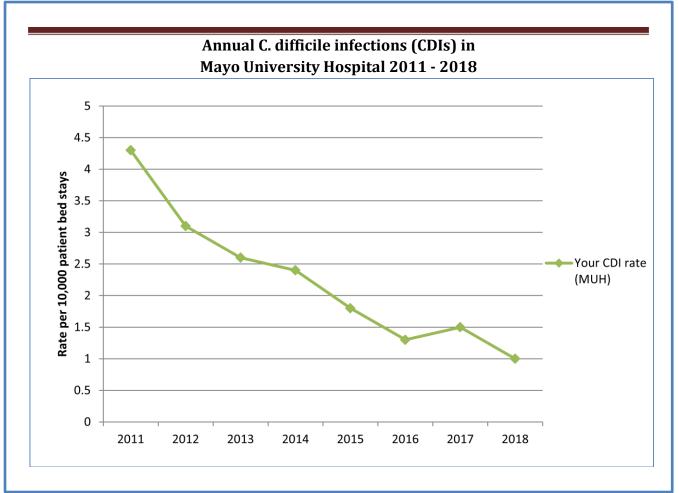


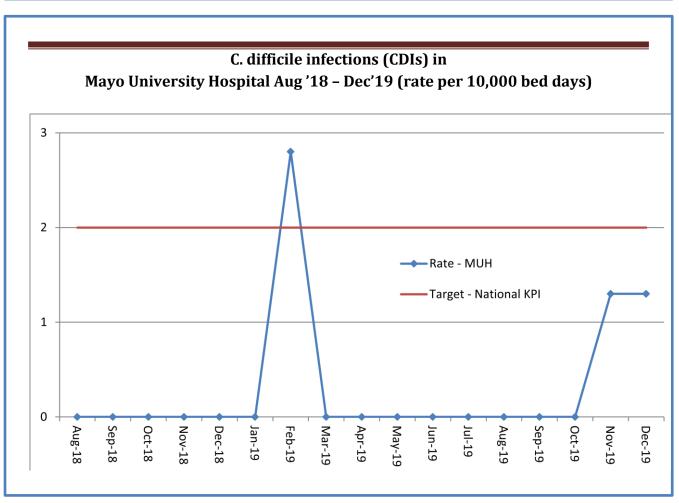




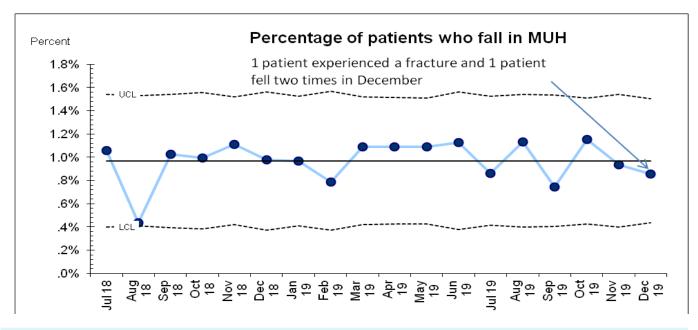
## **Reducing Clostridium Difficile infections in Mayo University**

Hospital Updated January 2020





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 December 2019, there was <u>one</u> patient that had a repeat fall; this patient was predisposed to falls due to pre-existing medical complaint. <u>One</u> patient sustained a fracture. 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.

# FALLS - HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF

