

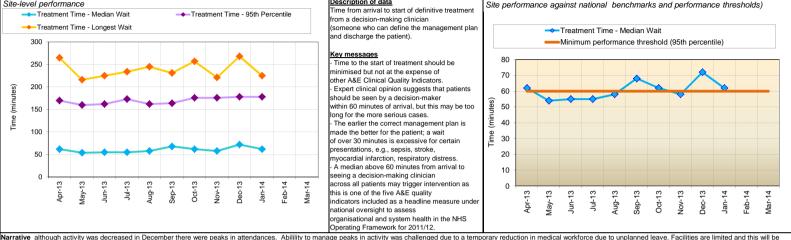
Time to Treatment in A&E [HQU13]

Description of data Time from arrival to start of definitive treatment from a decision-making clinician someone who can define the management plan and discharge the patient).

Kev messages

Time to the start of treatment should be minimised but not at the expense of other A&E Clinical Quality Indicators. Expert clinical opinion suggests that patients should be seen by a decision-maker within 60 minutes of arrival, but this may be too long for the more serious cases. The earlier the correct management plan is made the better for the patient; a wait of over 30 minutes is excessive for certain presentations, e.g., sepsis, stroke, nyocardial infarction, respiratory distress. A median above 60 minutes from arrival to eeing a decision-making clinician across all patients may trigger intervention as this is one of the five A&E quality indicators included as a headline measure under national oversight to assess organisational and system health in the NHS Operating Framework for 2011/12.

addressed in our plans to relocate the ER to a larger location with improved environment/ increase in facilities. Medical staff cover has been highlighted as a risk to mainatining prompt review of patients, medical staff are at times called to higher clinical



Description of Performance

Median this month 60 Target

Data quality

Service experience

What have we done to understand and assess the experience of our patients from Oct 2013 to Dec 2013

 Nursing quality indicators are now embedded and monthly patient queestionnaires are undertaken and we plan to display results in the department. Display boards are now in place in the department to share feedback. These results will be monitored and reported to the Trust Plans- Action Plans will be generated by the department Manager and the ER team to address any deficits.

Family friendly questions are being asked and results are now available and published for ER.We are actively promoting feedback and have a kiosk now located outside the ER for feedback to be given. Social media, twitter is also being used to encourage our patients to give feedback about the ER Services. A text reminder is also being introduced

• Formal and informal issues raised through Complaints and PALS have been used to understand and assess the experience of patients attending the Emergency Room, patients are invited to board meeting to share their experiences

•Patient Stories continue to be shared with the Board and departmental staff and we working closely with patients whom are sharing their experiences, recordings of patients experiences are with consent being utilised to widen opportunities to learn from feedback

•NICE guideline on the management of early pregnancy have been released and the organistion has assessed compliance and will develop an plan to address areas of defecits

What were results of these assessments?

Facilities not always availbale when needed

Waiting times too long

Uncomfortable seating

Communication

 Staff attitude/ Customer care •Waiting times for scans / inability to offer one stop scan

Reception privacy and confidentiality

What has been done to improve services in light of these results?

•Identified funding for additional nurses to be trained in scanning and working with colleagues in ultrasound to mentor nursing staff in early pregnancy scanning. One additional memebr of our team has completed competencies and another member has commenced training

•NICE quidelines for the management of miscarriage have been assessed to understand compliance levels- Action plan to address none

•Establishe d emergency follow up clinics for patient with pregnancy of unknown location, offering consistent approach with continuity and senior

Introduction of quality indicators that incorporate specific feedback relating to service experience, thus developing an ongoing feedback mechanism for patients, Displayed within department and disseminated to team members

Customer care training for reception staff

Has this resulted in improved patient experience?

Local ownership, department managers have increased involvement in problem solving and have ability to influence service provision at the point of

Flexible use of additional rooms/ resources.

Meanigful measurements in place, enabling benchmarking across Trust and Month on Month performance

Point of care testing aiiding prompt diagnosis and treatment

•Feedback kiosk and systems and processes to address feedback timely

Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation Trust Accident & Emergency Department Clinical Quality Indicators Overview This dashboard presents a comprehensive and balanced view of the care delivered by our A&E department, and reflects the experience and safety of our patients and the effectiveness of the care they receive. These indicators will support patient expectations of high quality A&E services and allow our department to demonstrate our ambition to deliver consistently excellent services which are continuously improving. **General Information** LIVERPOOL WOMEN'S NHS FOUNDATION TRUST - A&E site name and organization code Type 2 (Specialist) A&E site type Havley McCabe, Ext 4213 Contact details for further information January 2014 - The time period the data in the dashboard relate to Summary of performance - January 2014 Consultant Sign-off Treatment Total time in A&E Initial Assessment 95% of patients not requiring admission to hospital waited under 206 minutes 95% of patients 95% of patients NOT APPLICABLE TO OUR from arrival to departure (threshold 240 waited under 14 On average, patients TRUST waited under 207 minutes) minutes from arrival waited 62 minutes ninutes from arrival to initial from arrival to Patient to departure assessment treatment (threshold arrives at A&E (threshold 240 (threshold 15 60 minutes) 95% of patients who needed admission minutes) to hospital waited under 221 minutes minutes) **Ambulatory Care** from arrival to departure (threshold 240 minutes) Left without being seen Legend NOT APPLICABLE TO OUR Successfully meets performance threshold TRUST 3 109% of Re-attendance attendances this Does not meet threshold month left the department before 0% of attendances being seen (threshold this month were 5%) unplanned reattendances (threshold 5%) Service Experience A greater emphasis on sharing the experiences of our patients has ensured that both the departmental staff and excutive board are able to hear our patients experiences of using the gynaecology room emergency service. In sharing their experiences, patients have enabled the whole team to reflect and prioritise actions to improve the patient experience. Trust representatives are also working closely with collegues in

primary care, to combine efforts to provide a more seamless service.

High volumes of telephone calls have been identified as an issue and we are commencing a new call handling service to improve the experience of those whom contact us for telephone advice, this will also assist departmental staff, and their time will be dedicated to direct

N.B. Information on Service Experience and Ambulatory Care are collected on a quarterly basis; information on Consultant Sign Off is collected on a six-monthly basis