



Friday 25th August 2017  
Royal College Of Surgeons, Edinburgh



# Hip Fracture Workshop.



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1240 - 1340	Lunch	
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1415 - 1430	Dying	Fiona Graham
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# SHFA – 2017 Report

*Audit of Care Pathways for Hip Fracture Patients in Scotland  
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*A Report from the Musculoskeletal Audit on behalf of the Scottish Government*

**The information in this report is intended to be used for improvement purposes. The information has been collected by local MSK Audit co-ordinators based in each hospital. These statistics have not been through ISD's official statistics quality assurance process but have been subject to the MSK Audit's own quality assurance process, and were pre-circulated to each hospital for comments on accuracy.**

We report on a four-month 'snapshot' audit commissioned by the Scottish Orthopaedic Service Development Group (SOSDG) on behalf of the Scottish Government that collected data on the management of hip fracture patients from **all Scottish operating hospitals** from 1st December 2012 to 21<sup>st</sup> March 2013.

2012



**Hip Fracture Care Pathway Report 2017**

2017

Hospital		Number of patients audited	Hip fracture admissions not audited	% audited	Reasons not audited
Ayr	University Hospital Ayr	79	59	57%	LAC vacancy
Crosshouse	University Hospital Crosshouse	103	67	61%	LAC vacancy
BGH	Borders General Hospital	52	5	91%	LAC vacancy
DGRI	Dumfries & Galloway Royal Infirmary	147	0	100%	
Fife	Victoria Hospital	256	22	92%	LAC leave
Forth Valley	Forth Valley Royal Hospital	280	0	100%	
Aberdeen	Aberdeen Royal Infirmary	65	367	15%	LAC vacancy
Elgin	Dr Gray's Hospital	95	0	100%	
GRI	Glasgow Royal Infirmary	282	11	96%	LAC leave
QEUH	Queen Elizabeth University Hospital	314	165	66%	Lack of LAC resource
RAH	Royal Alexandra Hospital	279	7	98%	LAC leave
Inverclyde	Inverclyde Royal Hospital	131	0	100%	
Raigmore	Raigmore Hospital	244	5	98%	LAC leave
Hairmyres	Hairmyres Hospital	151	0	100%	
Monklands	Monklands District General Hospital	119	0	100%	
Wishaw	Wishaw General Hospital	209	0	100%	
RIE	Royal Infirmary of Edinburgh at Little France	660	26	96%	LAC leave
Ninewells	Ninewells Hospital	329	9	97%	LAC leave
Perth	Perth Royal Infirmary	121	0	100%	
Western Isles	Western Isles Hospital	26	0	100%	
All Sites		3,942	743	84%	

We do many things well...

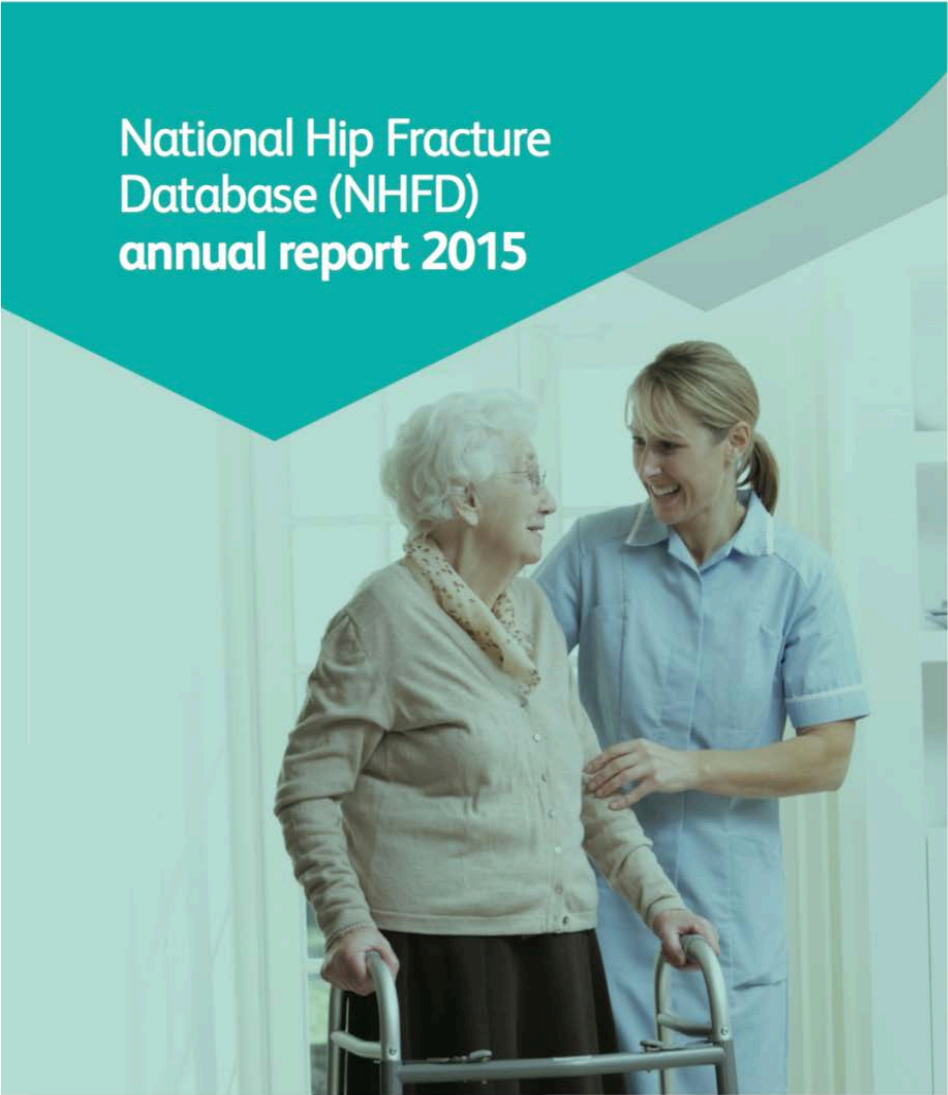
...just not everywhere...

...and not all of the time

Kate James



National Hip Fracture  
Database (NHFD)  
annual report 2015



*“there remains  
unacceptable and  
unexplained variation  
in performance  
around the  
country.....”*

In association with:



Commissioned by:

## Scottish Standards of Care for Hip Fracture Patients 2016

prepared in collaboration with Healthcare Improvement Scotland  
to align with 'Older People in Acute Care' improvement programme

**Standard 1:** Patients with a Hip Fracture should be transferred from the Emergency Department to the orthopaedic ward within 4 hours.

**Standard 6:** Pre-operative catheterisation should only be carried out for identified medical reasons and not used as 'routine' practice.

**Standard 2:** Patients who have a clinical suspicion or confirmation of a hip fracture should have the "Big Six" interventions/treatments before leaving the Emergency Department.

1. Provision of Pain Relief.
2. Screening for Delirium.
3. Early Warning Score (EWS) system.
4. Full Blood Investigation and Electrocardiogram.
5. Intravenous Fluids Therapy.
6. Pressure Area Care.

**Standard 7:** Cemented hemi-arthroplasty implants should be standard unless clinically indicated otherwise.

**Standard 8:** Every patient who is identified locally as being frail should receive comprehensive geriatric assessment within three days of admission.

**Standard 3:** Every patient with a hip fracture should receive the "inpatient bundle of care" within 24 hours of admission.

1. Baseline assessment of Cognitive function within 24 hours of ward admission.
2. Falls Assessment within 24 hours of ward admission.
3. Food, Fluids and Nutritional Assessment within 24 hours of ward admission.
4. Pressure Area Assessment within 24 hours of ward admission.

**Standard 9:** Mobilisation should have begun by the end of the first day after surgery and every patient should have physiotherapy assessment by end of day two.

**Standard 10:** Patients with a hip fracture should have an Occupational Therapy (OT) assessment by the end of day three post operatively.

**Standard 4:** Patients must undergo surgical repair of their hip fracture within 36 hours of admission.

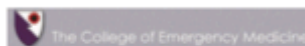
**Standard 11:** Every patient who has a hip fracture should have an assessment of their bone health prior to leaving the acute orthopaedic ward.

**Standard 5:** No patients should be repeatedly fasted in preparation for surgery. In addition, oral fluids should be encouraged up to two hours prior to surgery.

**Standard 12:** Every patient's recovery should be optimised by a multi-disciplinary team approach such that they are discharged back to their original place of residence within 30 days from the date of admission.

The full text of these standards are available online at [www.shfa.scot.nhs.uk](http://www.shfa.scot.nhs.uk)

These Standards are endorsed by the following organisations:



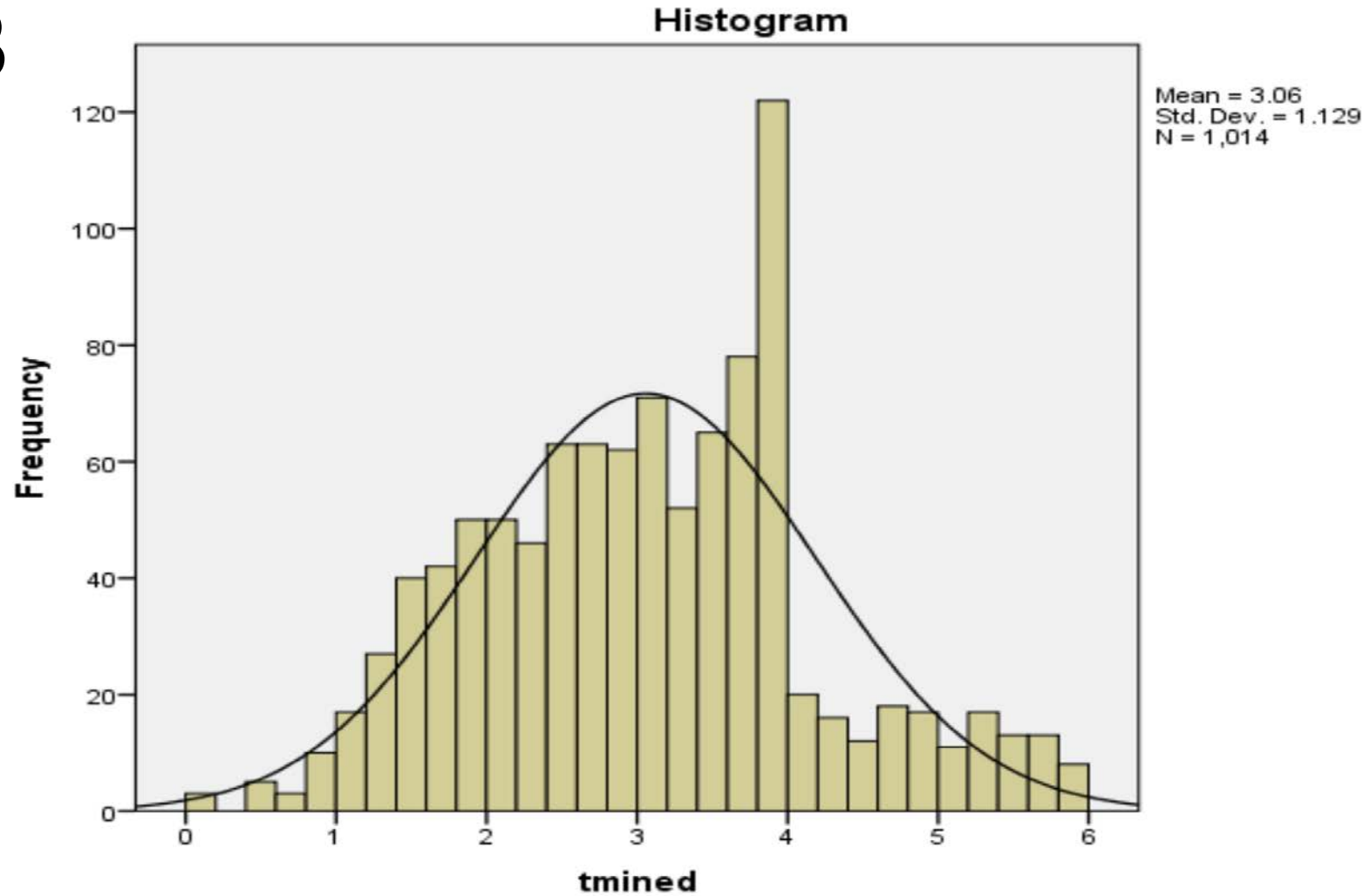
and supported by:



# Standard 1

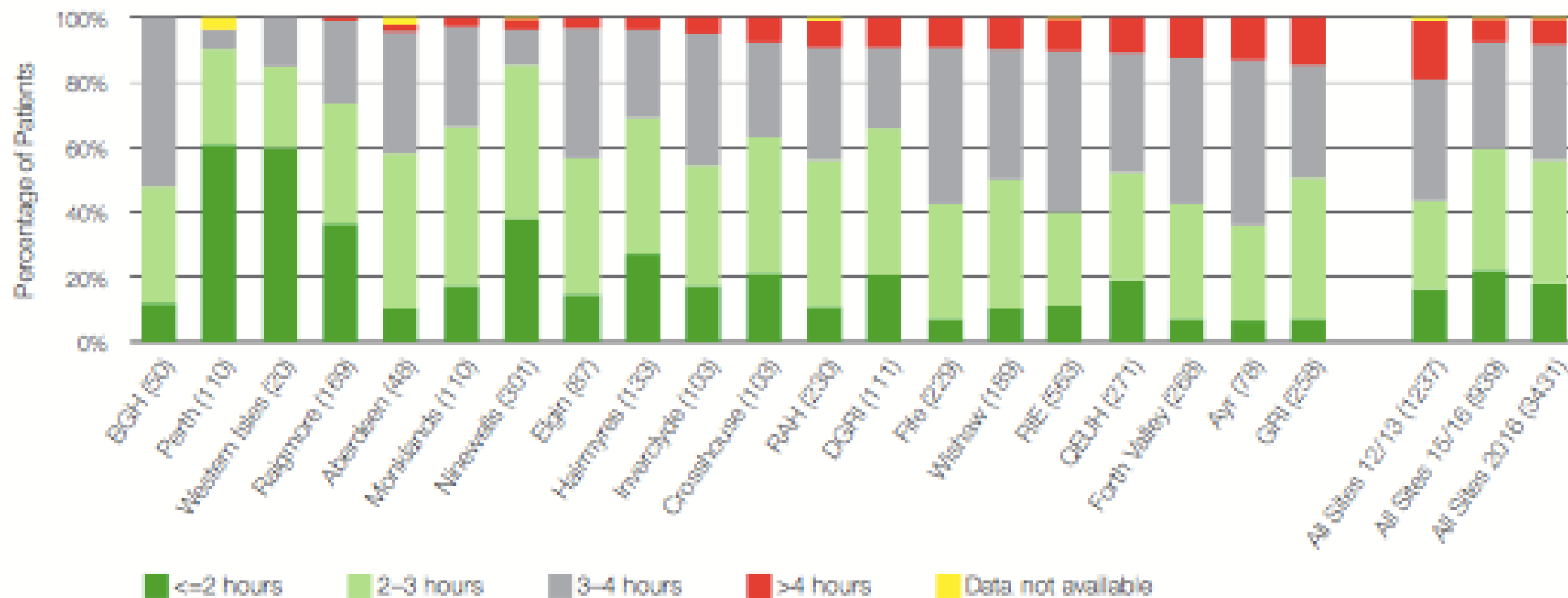
**Standard 1: Patients with a Hip Fracture should be transferred from the Emergency Department to the orthopaedic ward within 4 hours.**

2012-13



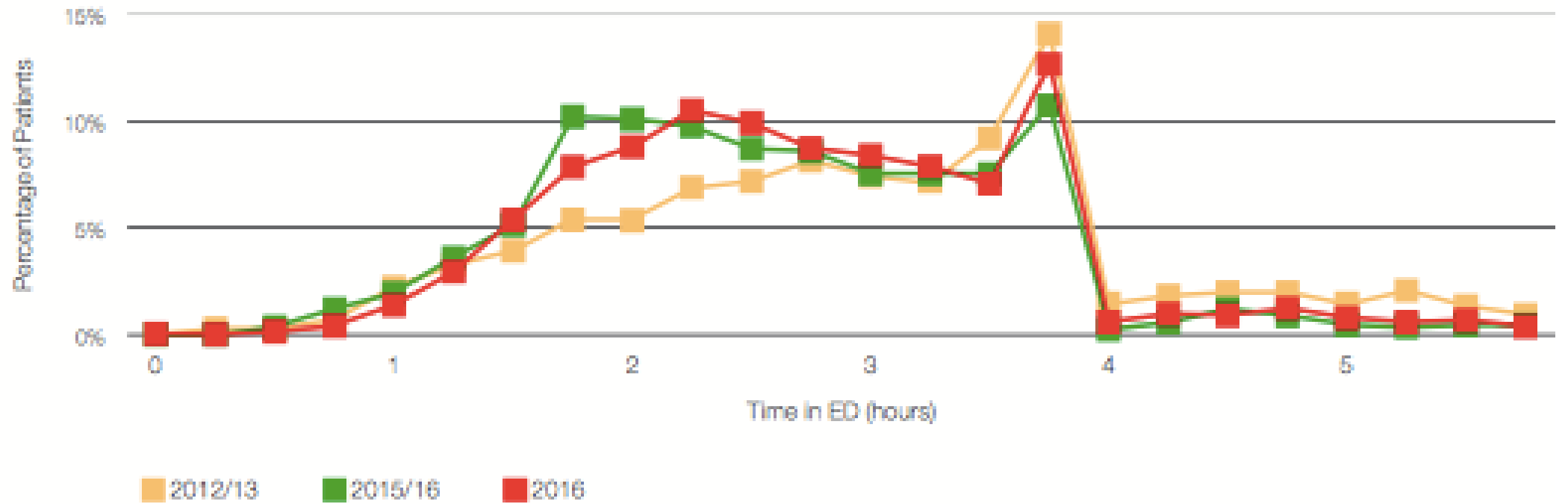
- 18% of patients were in ED for >4 hours

fig. 1.1 Time in ED



*Excludes patients who were in ED following a transfer from another hospital*

fig. 1.2 Transfer Time from ED to Ward



# Standard 2

**Standard 2: Patients who have a clinical suspicion or confirmation of a hip fracture should have the “Big Six” interventions/treatments before leaving the Emergency Department.**

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- 2. Screening for Delirium.**
- 3. Early Warning Score (EWS) system.**
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- 5. Intravenous Fluids Therapy.**
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fig. 2.1 'Big Six' ED Interventions/Treatments

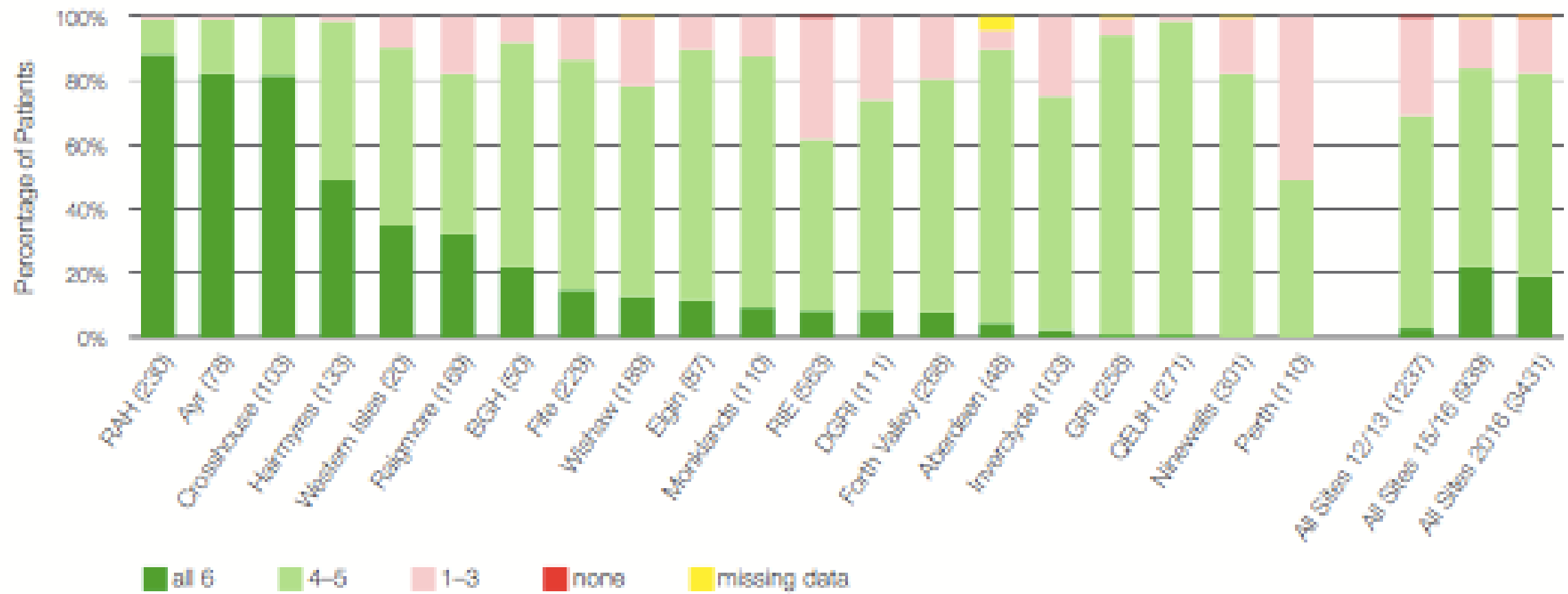




fig. 2.2

## 'Big Six' Interventions/Treatments – Pain Relief, Delirium Screening, Early Warning Score



fig. 2.3 'Big Six' Interventions/Treatments – Bloods, Fluids, Pressure Area Assessment

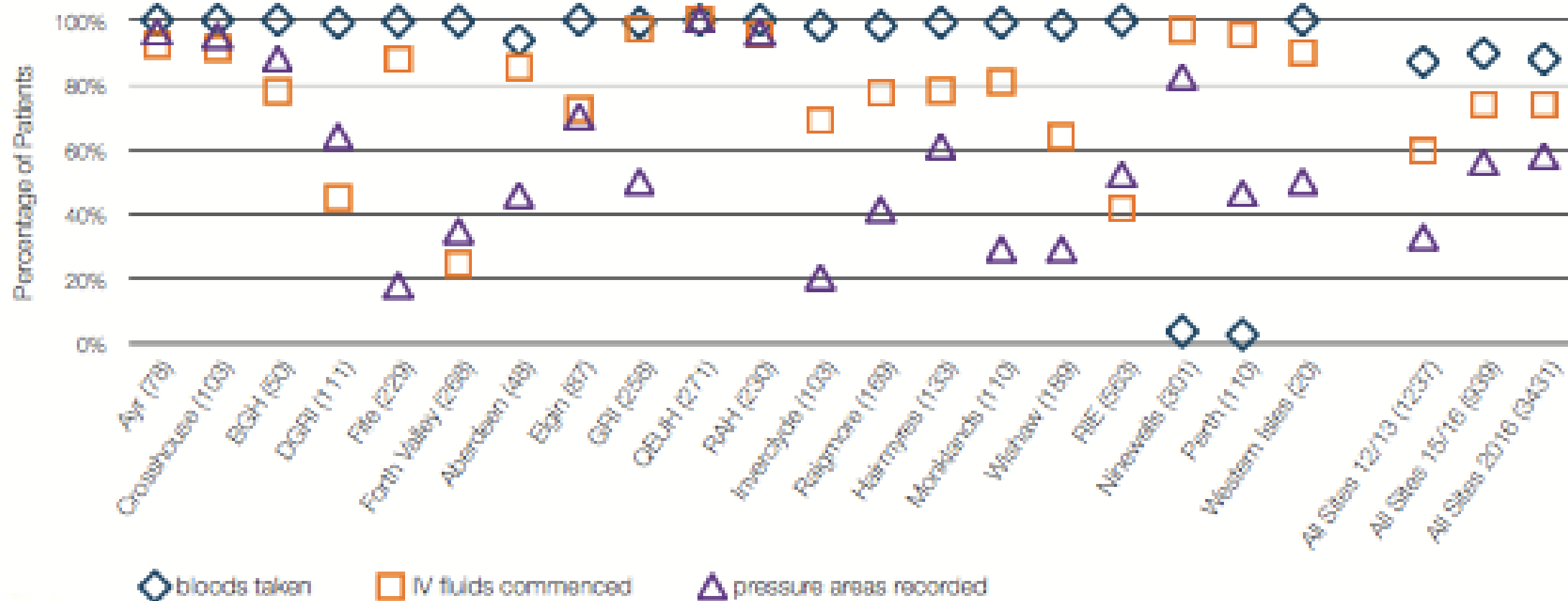
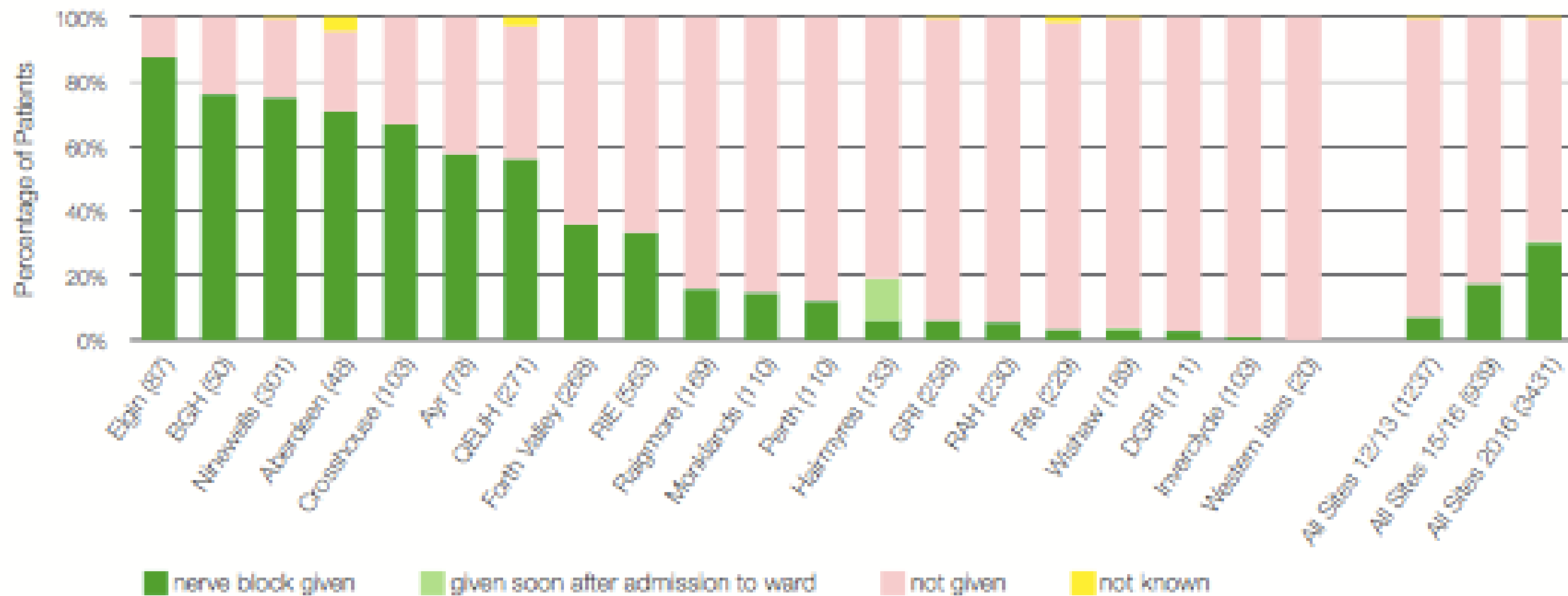


fig. 2.4

## Use of Nerve Blocks



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fig. 3.1 Inpatient Assessment Bundle

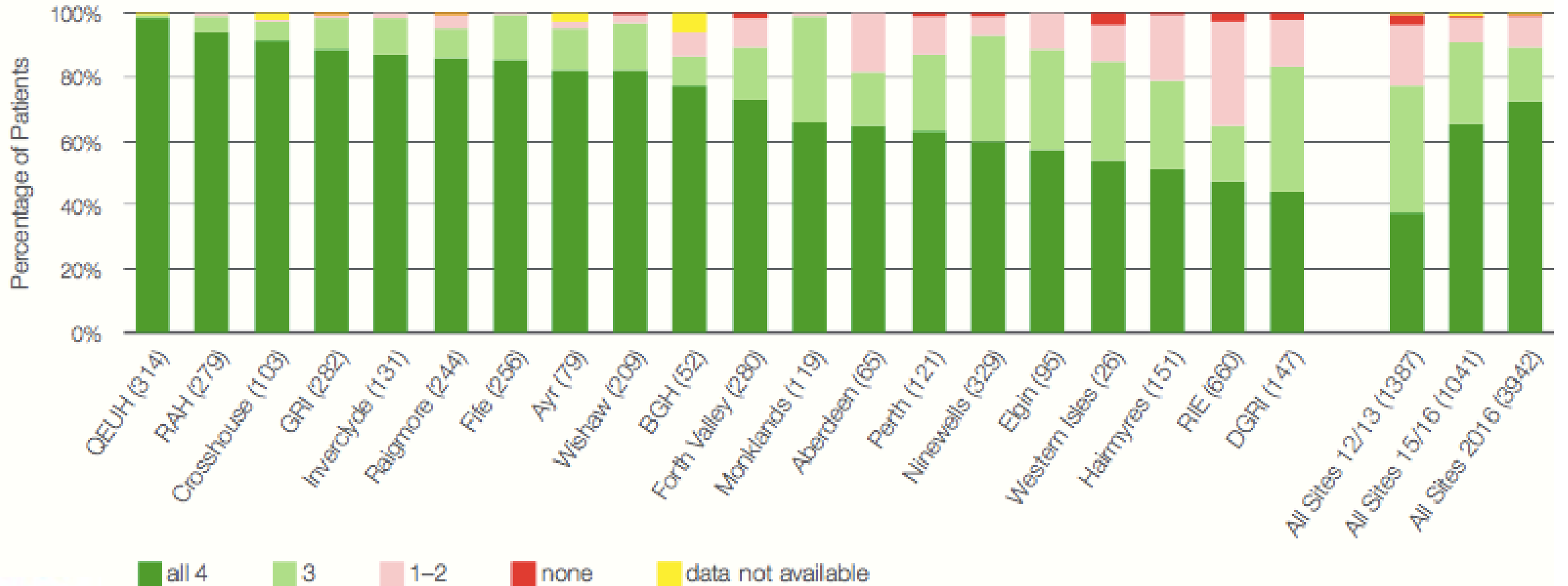
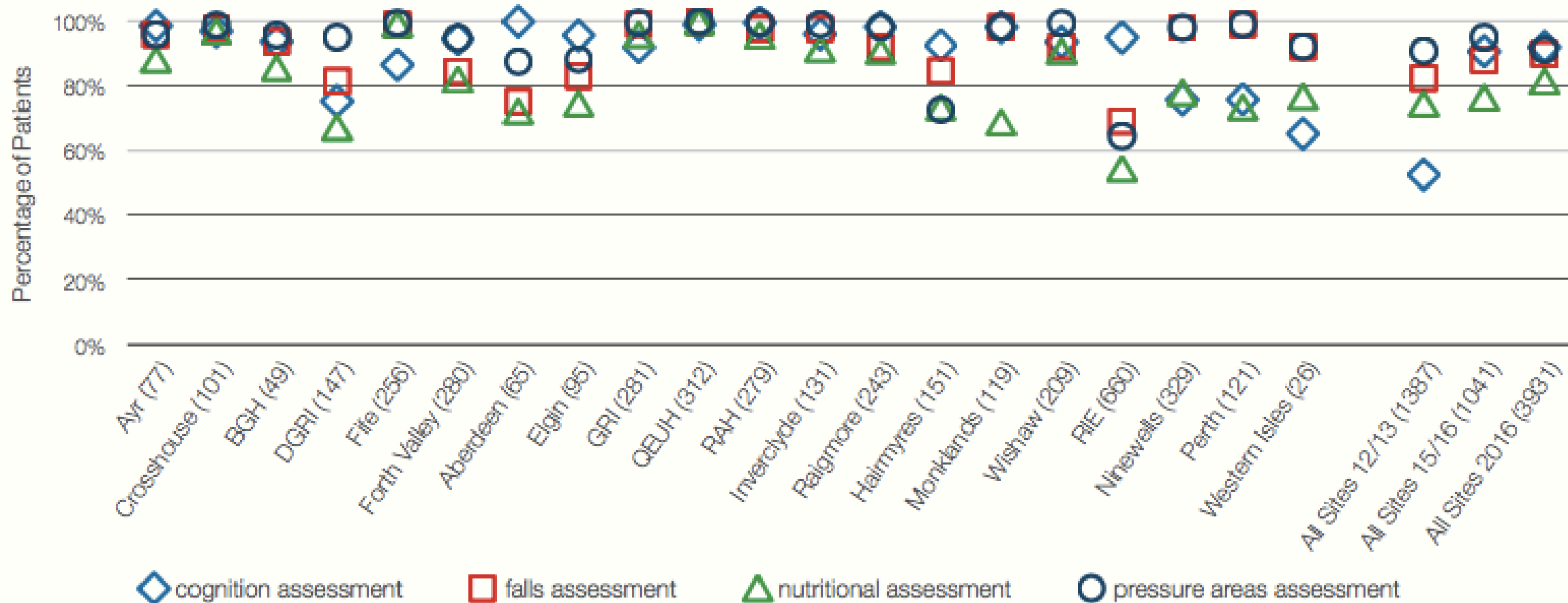


fig. 3.2 Inpatient assessments by type



# Standard 4

**Standard 4: Patients must undergo surgical repair of their hip fracture within 36 hours of admission.**

fig. 4.1

# Time to theatre for all patients

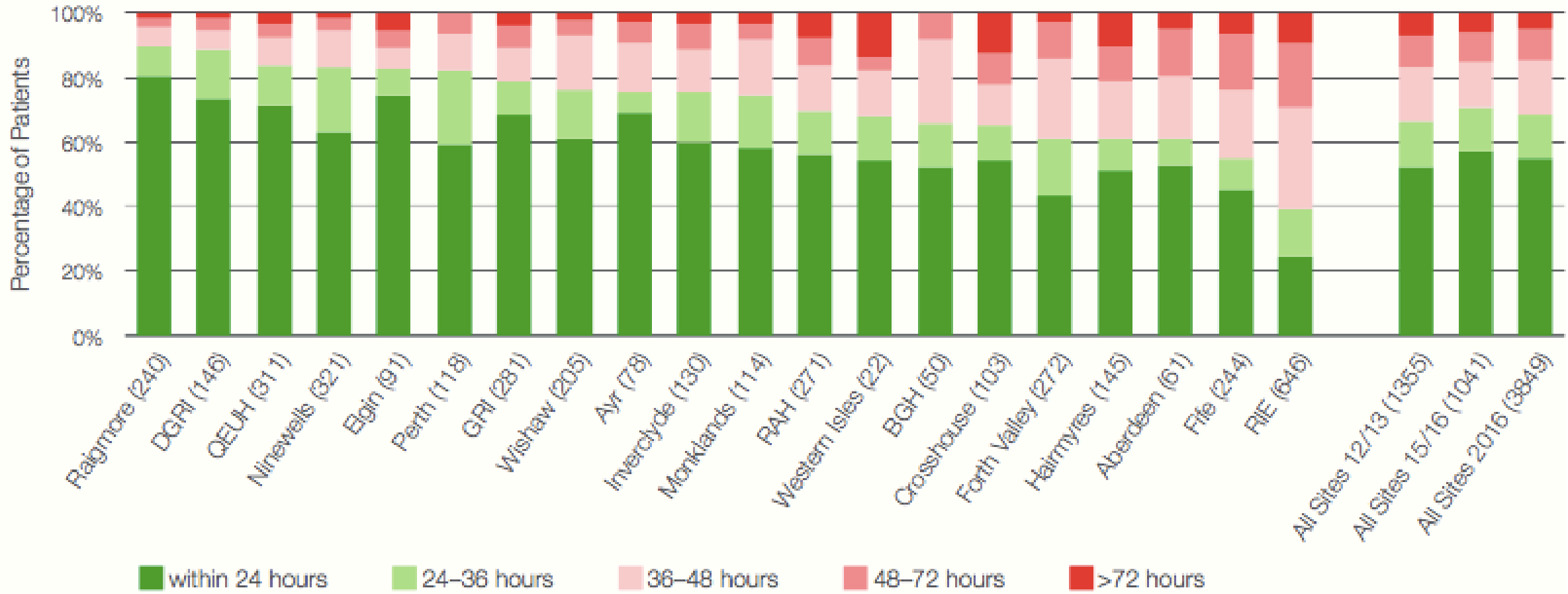
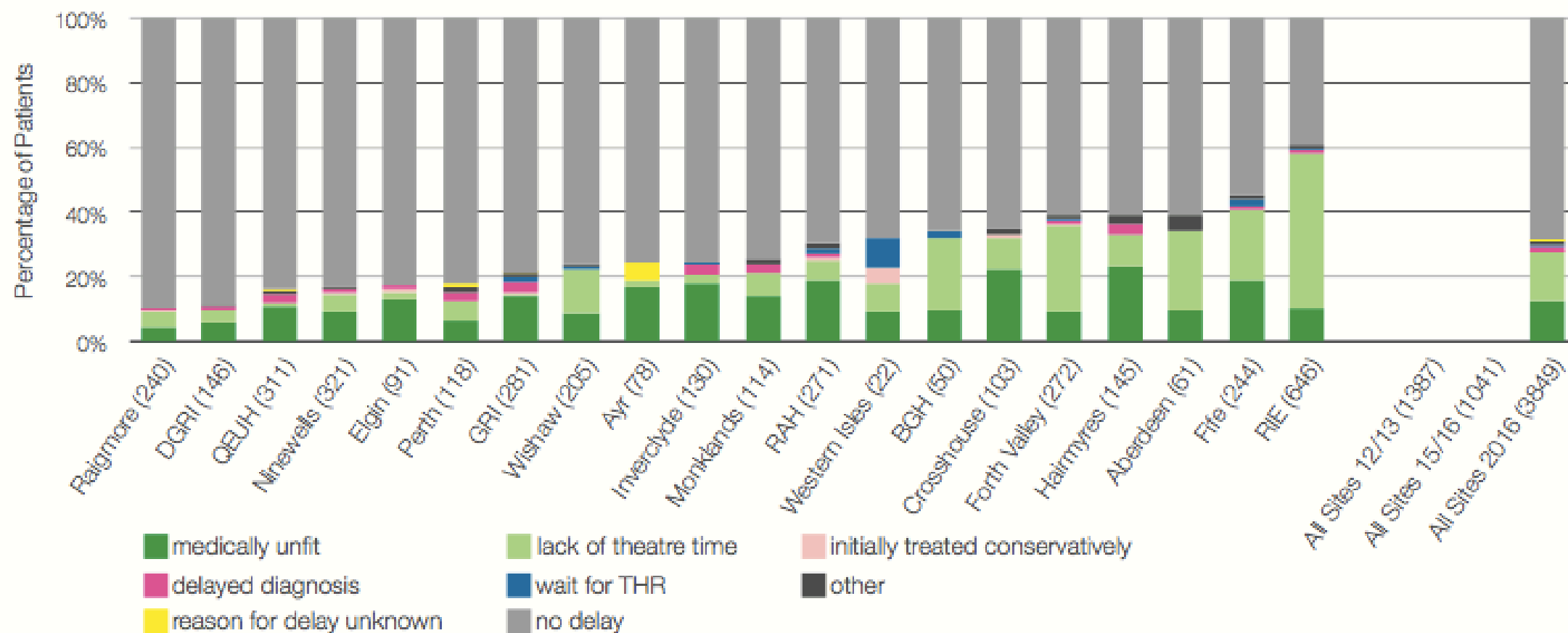




fig. 4.2 Reasons for theatre delay if more than 36 hours

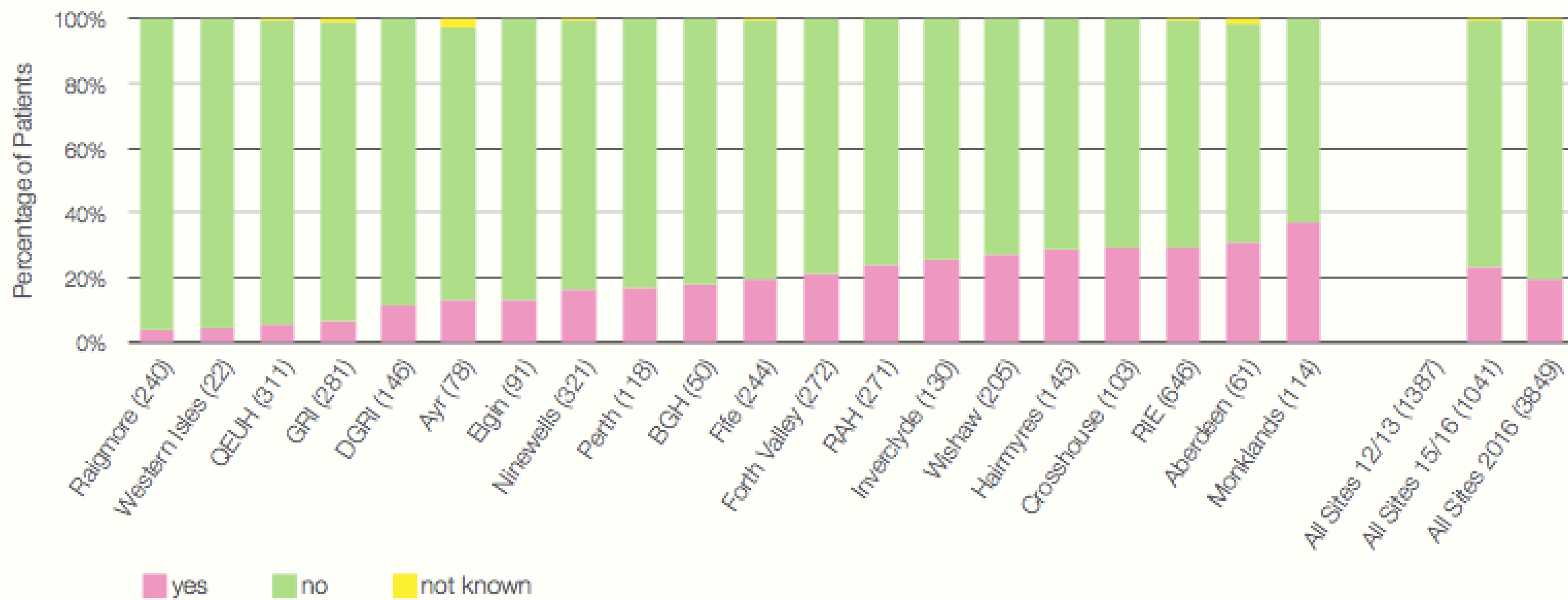


Comparable data unavailable for 2012/13 or 2015/16 as the reason for delays to theatre was measured on a different timescale. Patients initially treated conservatively are small in number and do not skew the time-to-theatre data.

# Standard 5

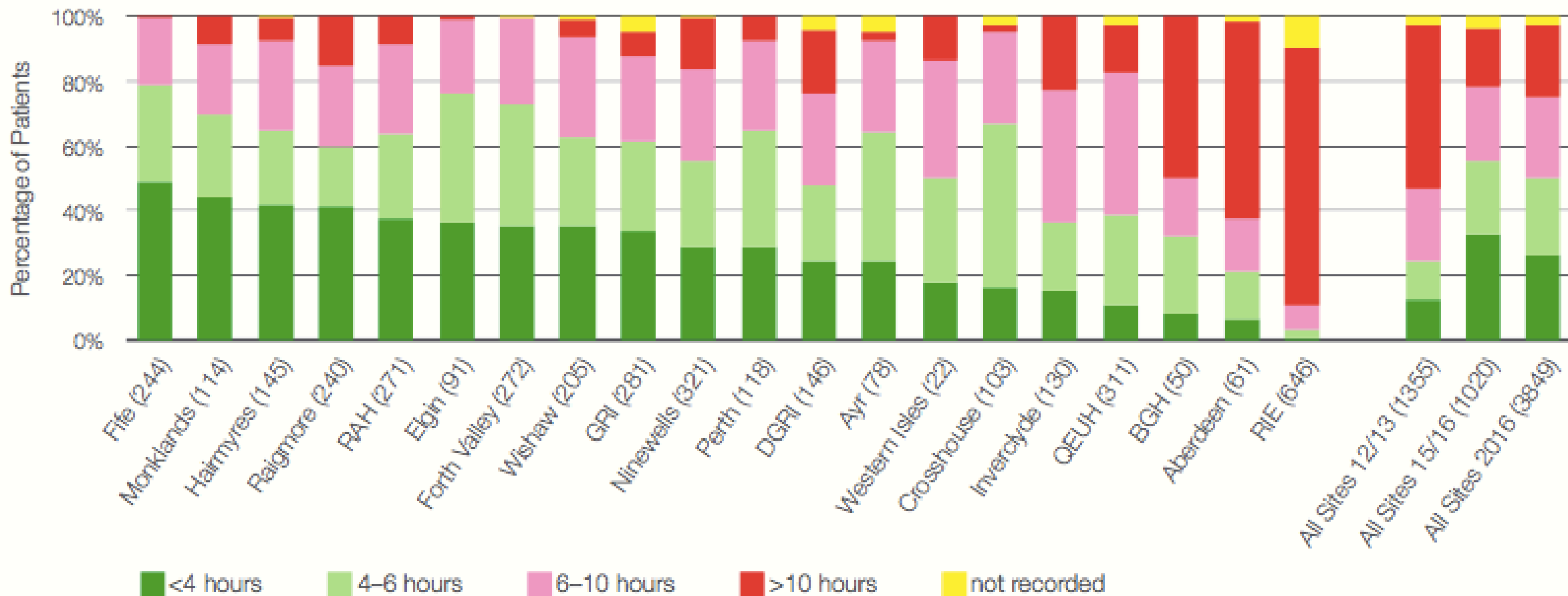
**Standard 5: No patients should be repeatedly fasted in preparation for surgery. In addition, oral fluids should be encouraged up to two hours prior to surgery.**

fig. 5.1 Was fasting cycle repeated?



Data was not collected during the 2012/13 audit

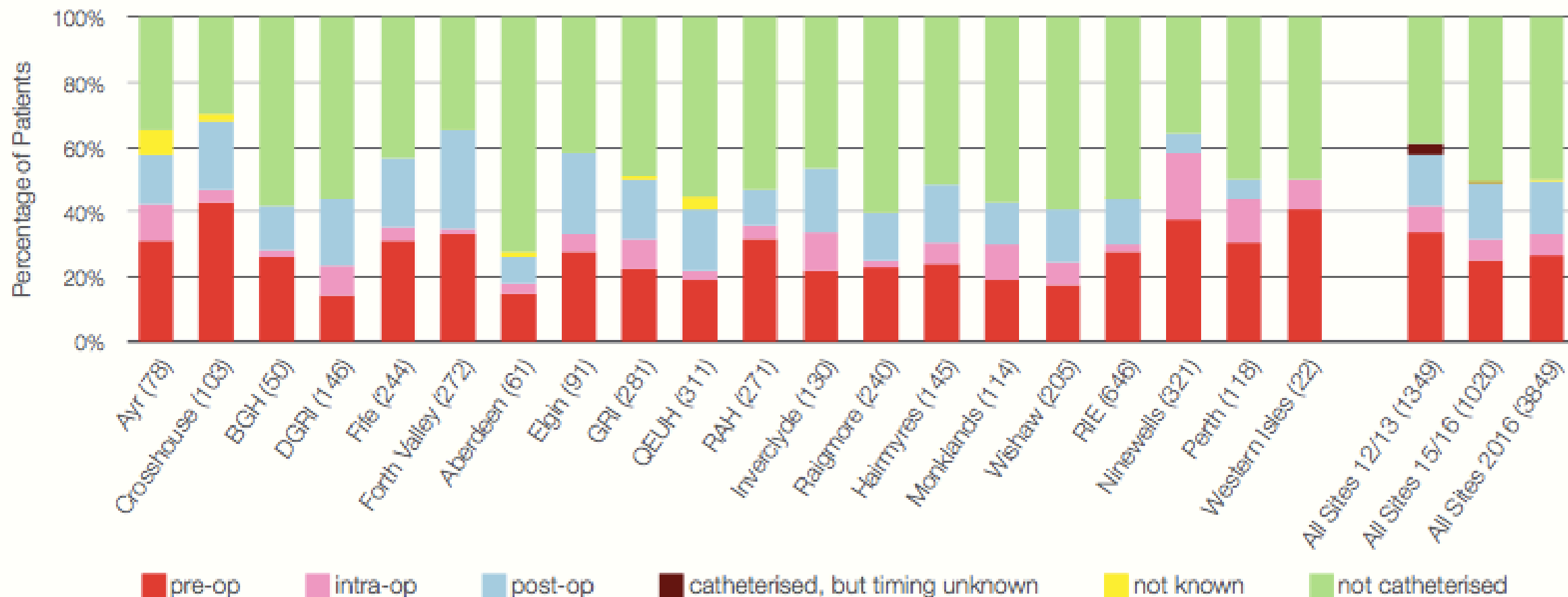
fig. 5.2 When were clear oral fluids stopped prior to induction of anaesthetic?



# Standard 6

**Standard 6: Pre-operative catheterisation should only be carried out for identified medical reasons and not used as 'routine' practice.**

fig. 6.1 Catheterisation

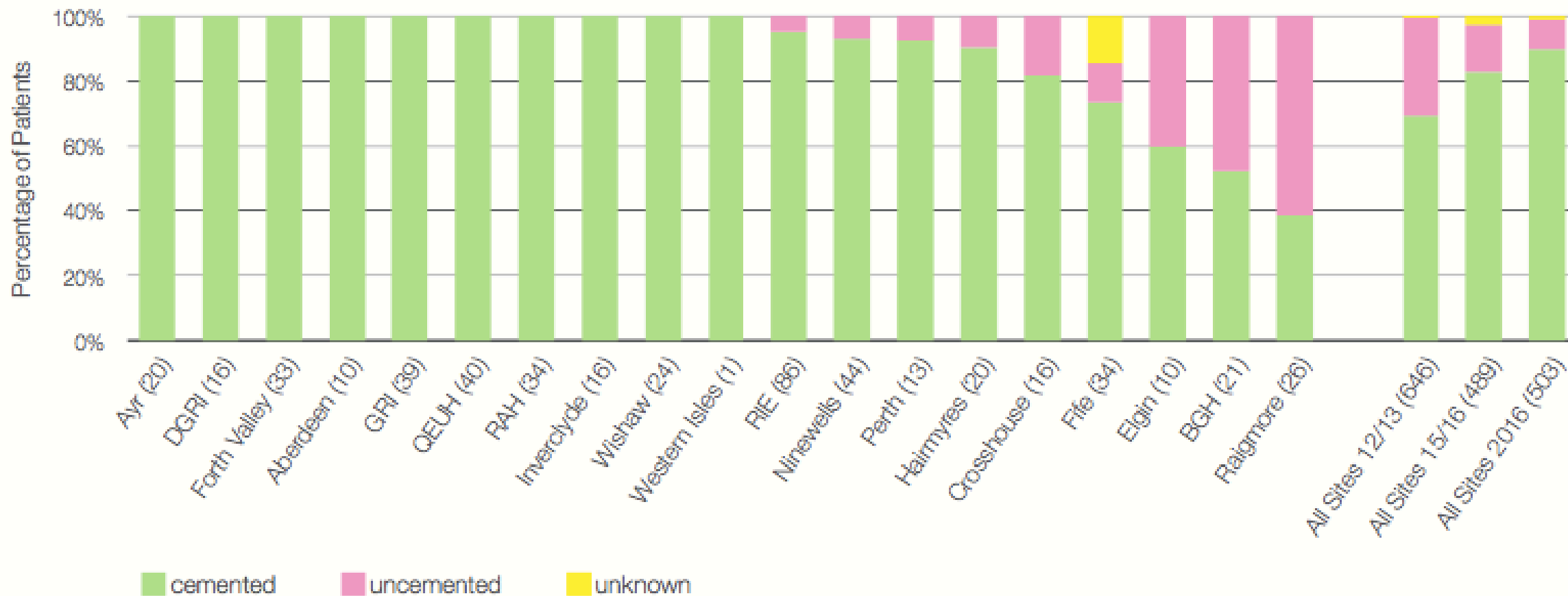


# Standard 7

**Standard 7: Cemented hemi-arthroplasty implants should be standard unless clinically indicated otherwise.**

fig. 7.1

## Hemi-arthroplasty — use of cement



2016 data only collected in November and December



# 2012-13

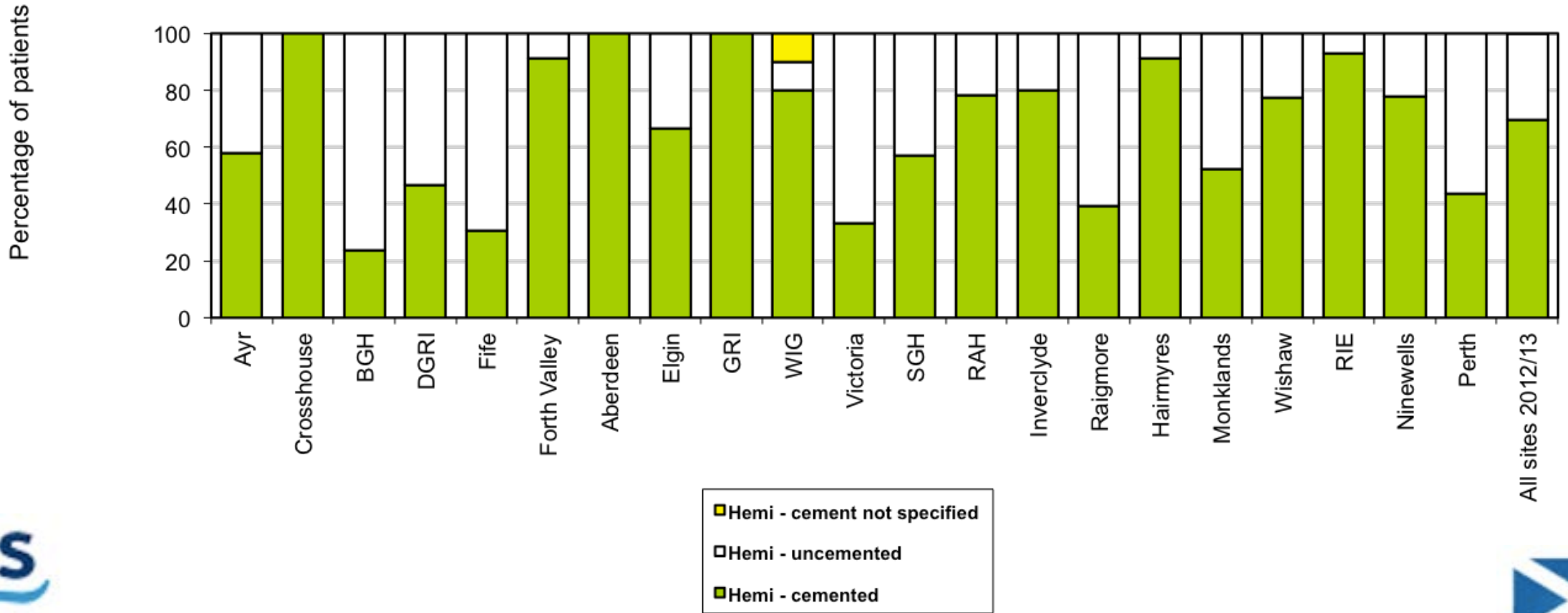
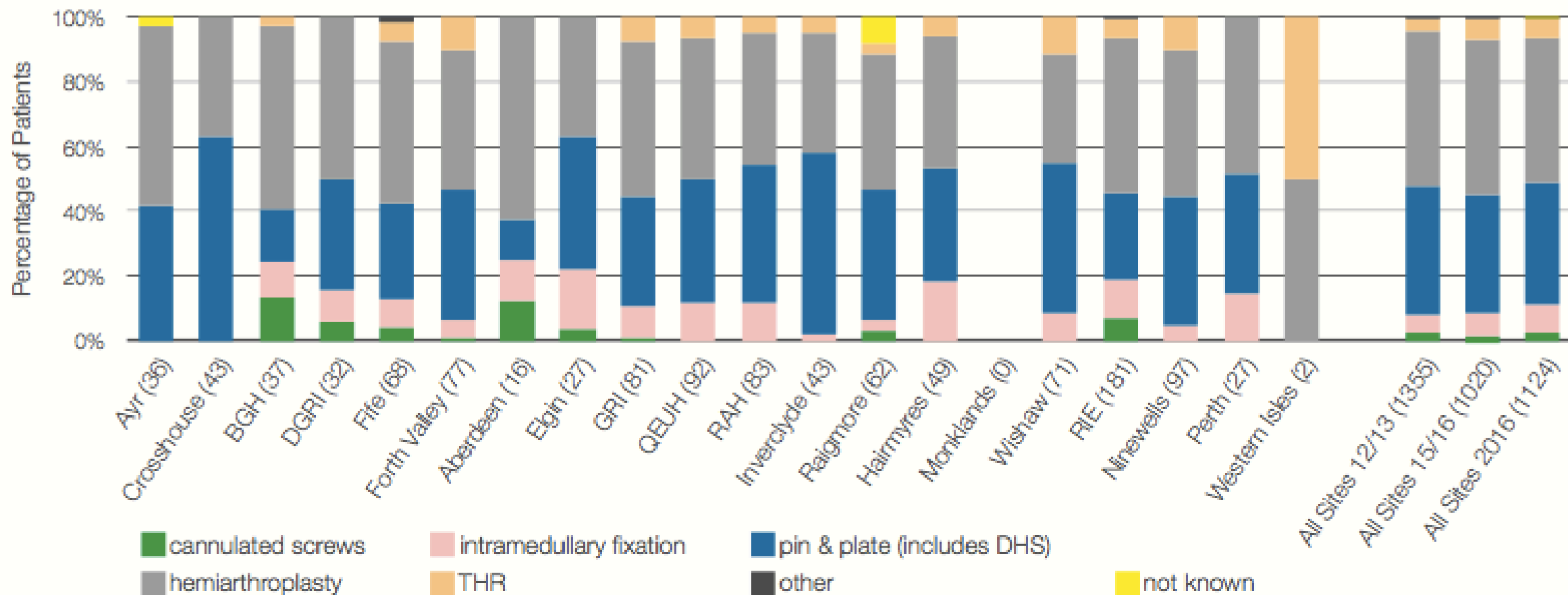


fig. 7.2 Type of operation

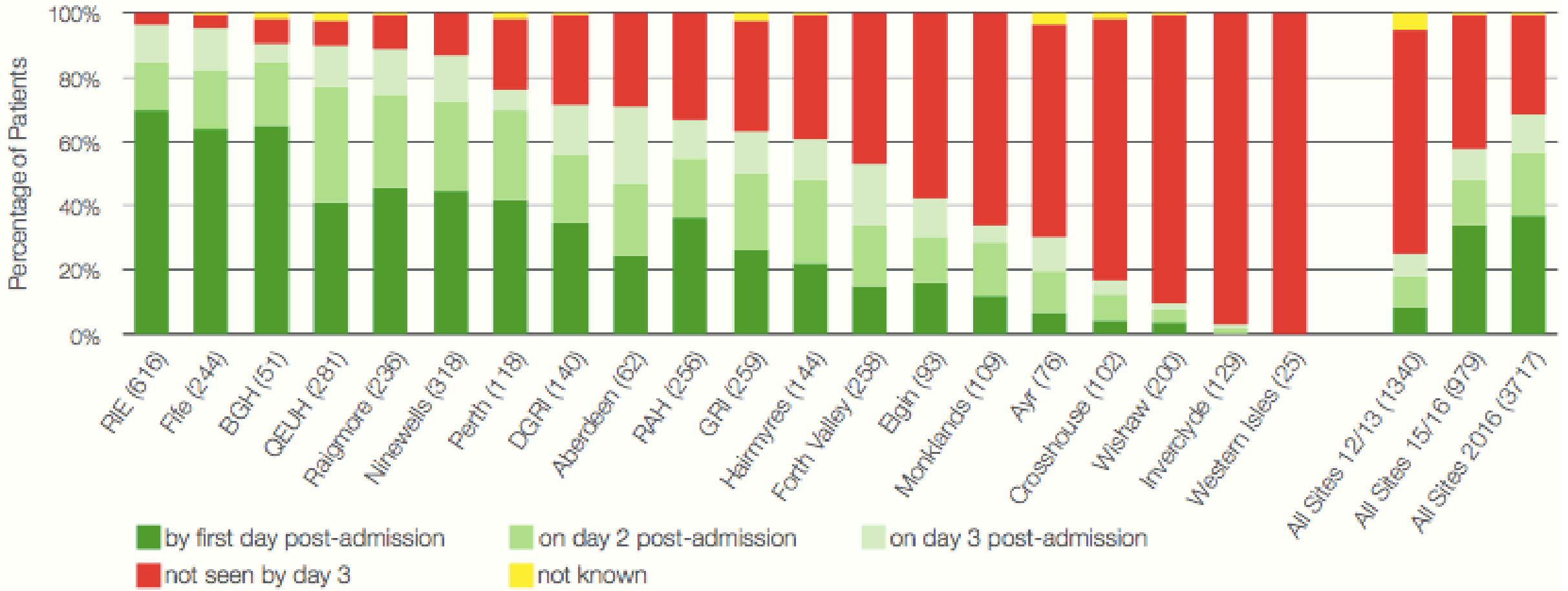


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# Standard 8

**Standard 8: Every patient who is identified locally as being frail should receive comprehensive geriatric assessment within three days of admission.**

fig. 8.1 Time until geriatric assessment



# Standard 9

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fig. 9.1 Mobilisation

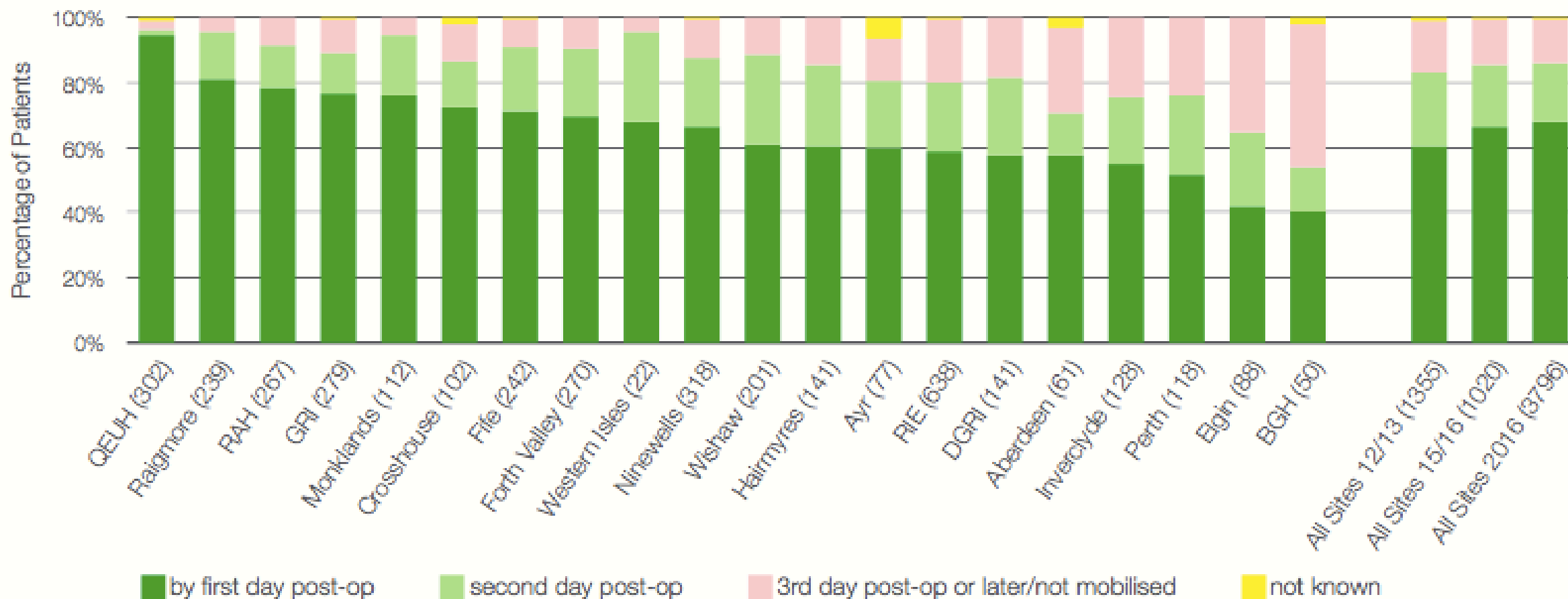
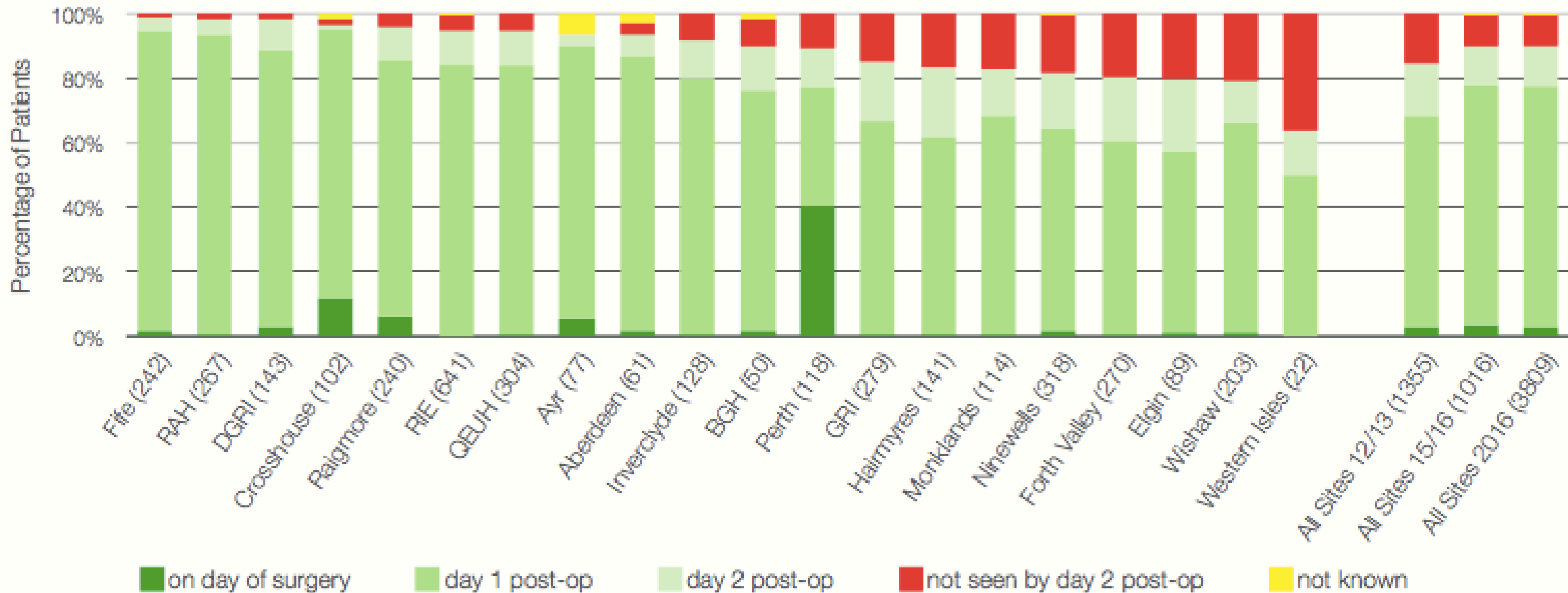


fig. 9.2 Time from surgery until seen by Physiotherapy

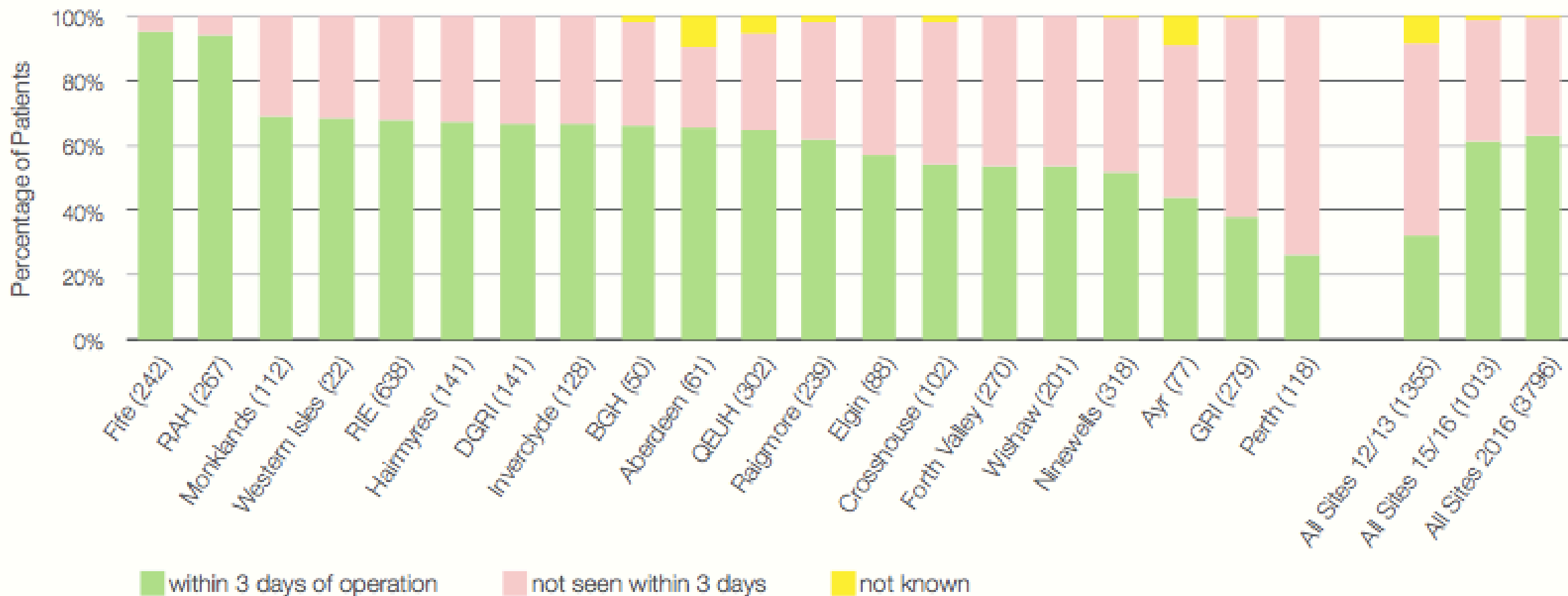


# Standard 10

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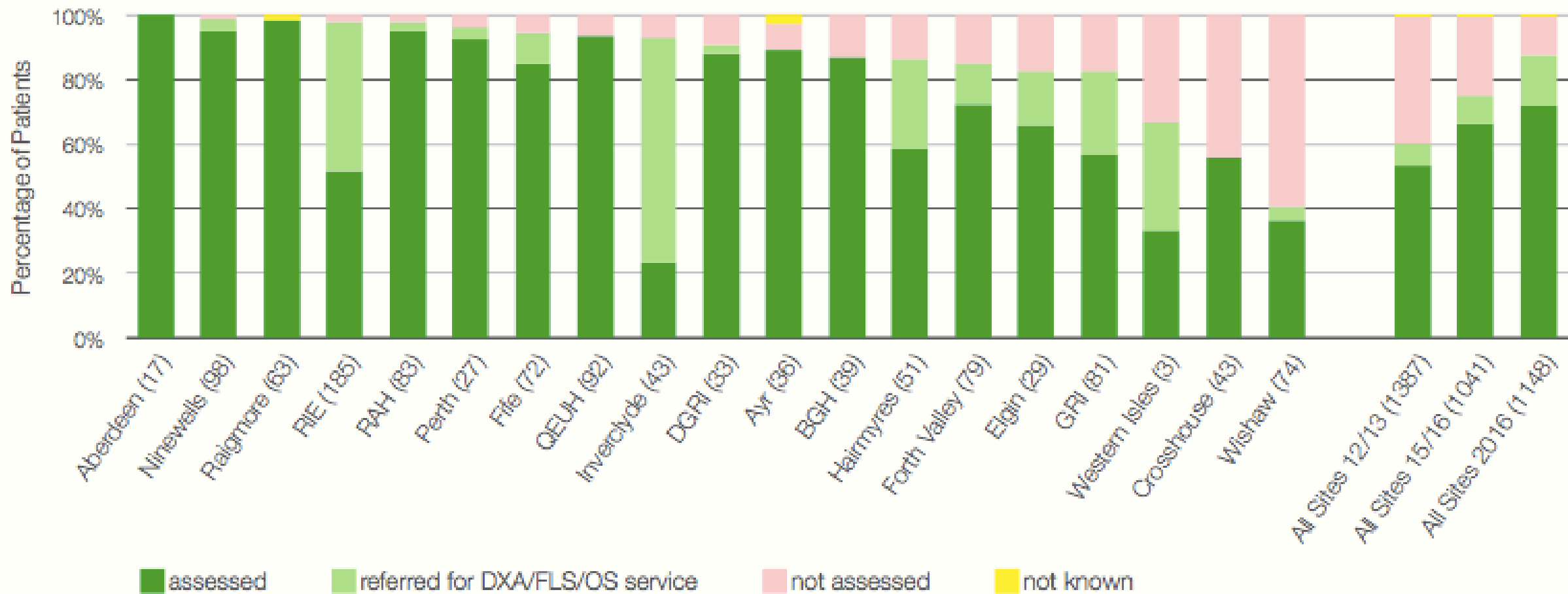
fig. 10.1 Time from surgery until seen by OT



# Standard 11

**Standard 11: Every patient who has a hip fracture should have an assessment of their bone health prior to leaving the acute orthopaedic ward.**

fig. 11.1 Bone protection medication assessment



# Standard 12

**Standard 12: Every patient's recovery should be optimised by a multi-disciplinary team approach such that they are discharged back to their original place of residence within 30 days from the date of admission.**

fig. 12.4 Discharge destination



fig. 12.1 Percentage of patients admitted from home or a care home who were again resident there at 30 days post-admission

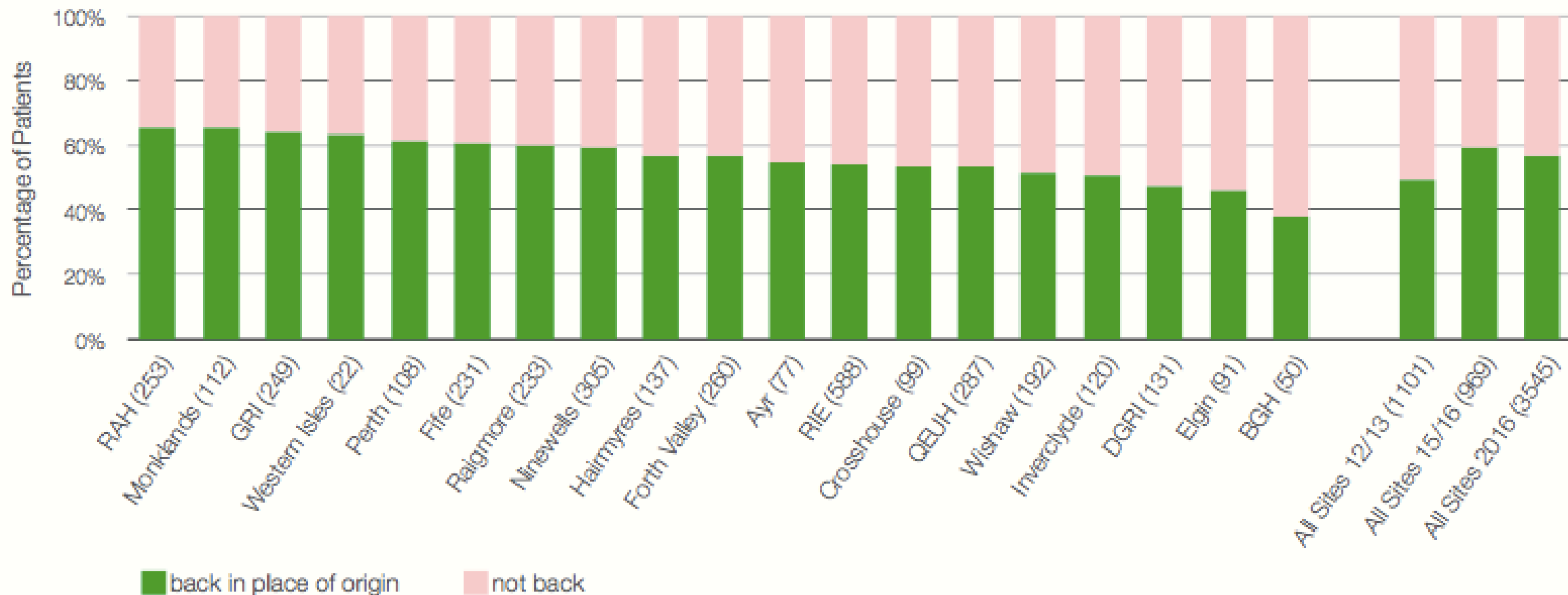


fig. 12.3 Median length of total hospital stay

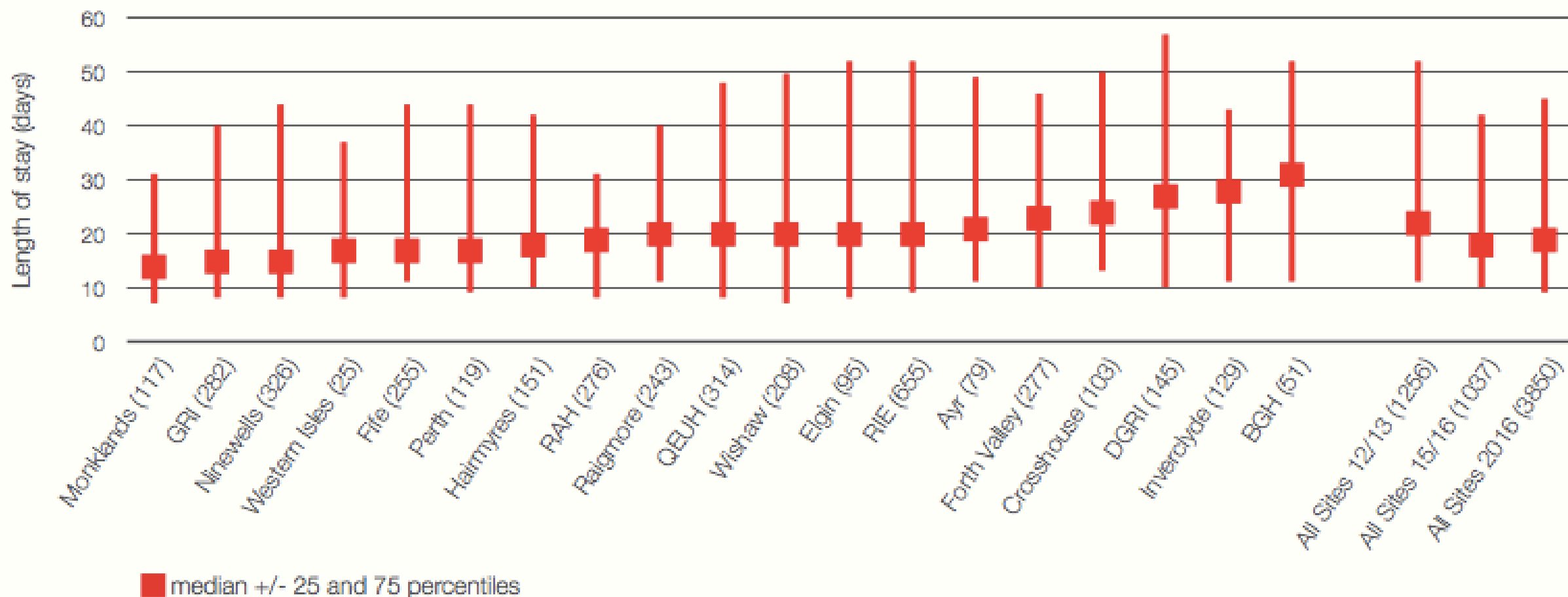
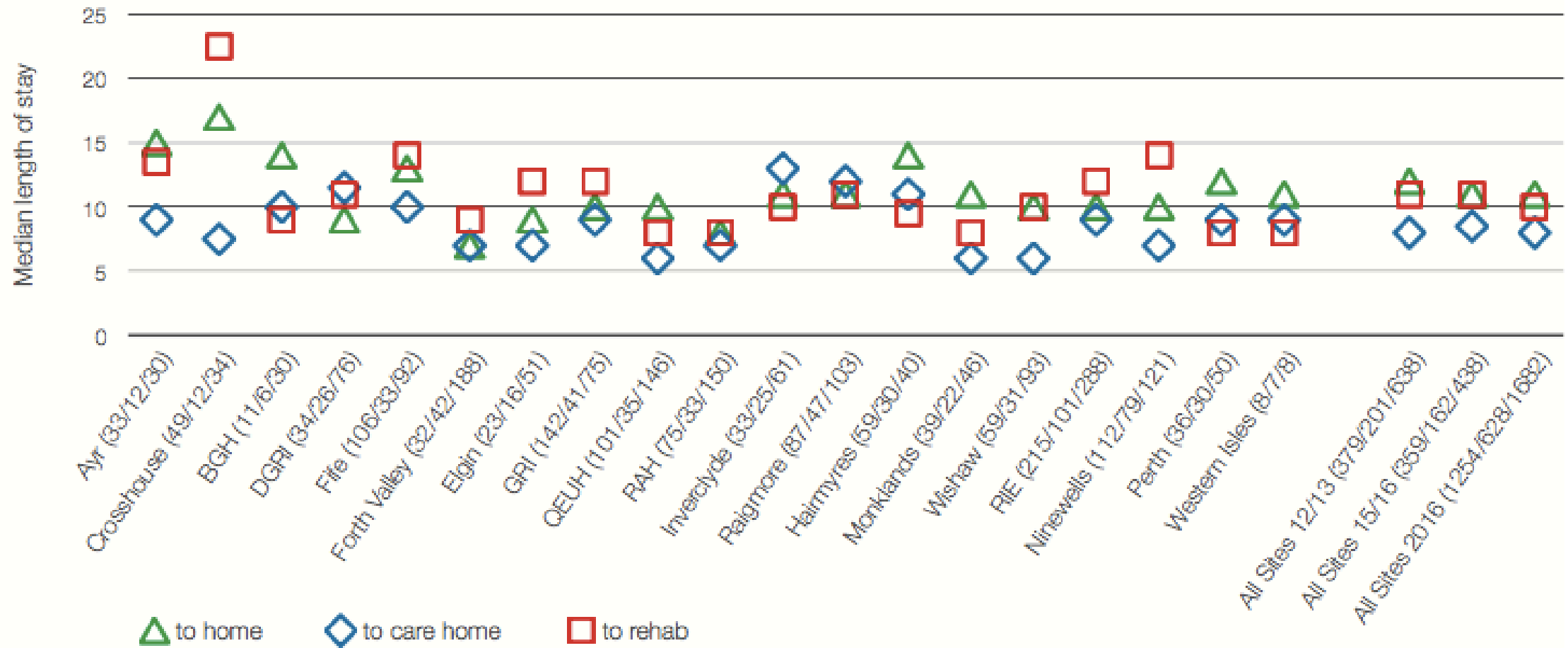


fig. 12.2 Median length of acute orthopaedic stay by discharge destination





# Definition of Oxymoron

Is a figure of speech in which two opposite ideas are combined to create an effect

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fig. 12.4 Discharge destination

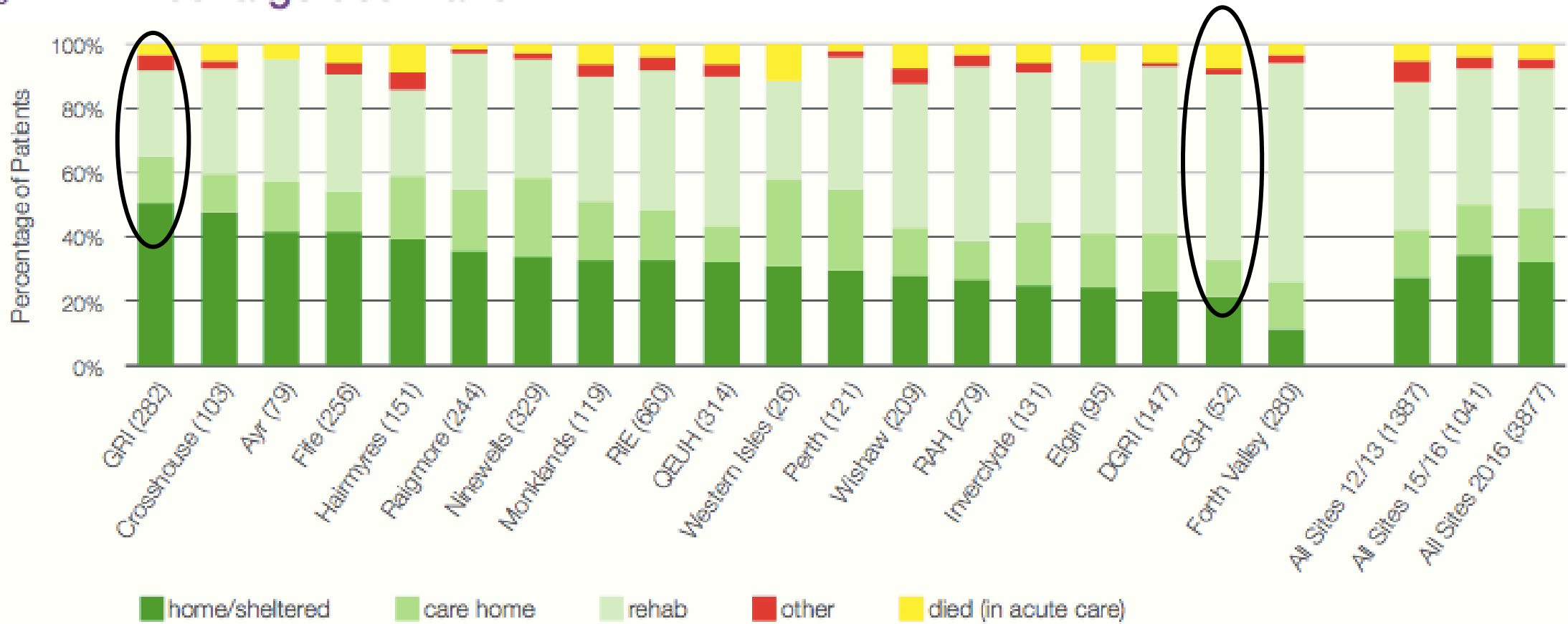


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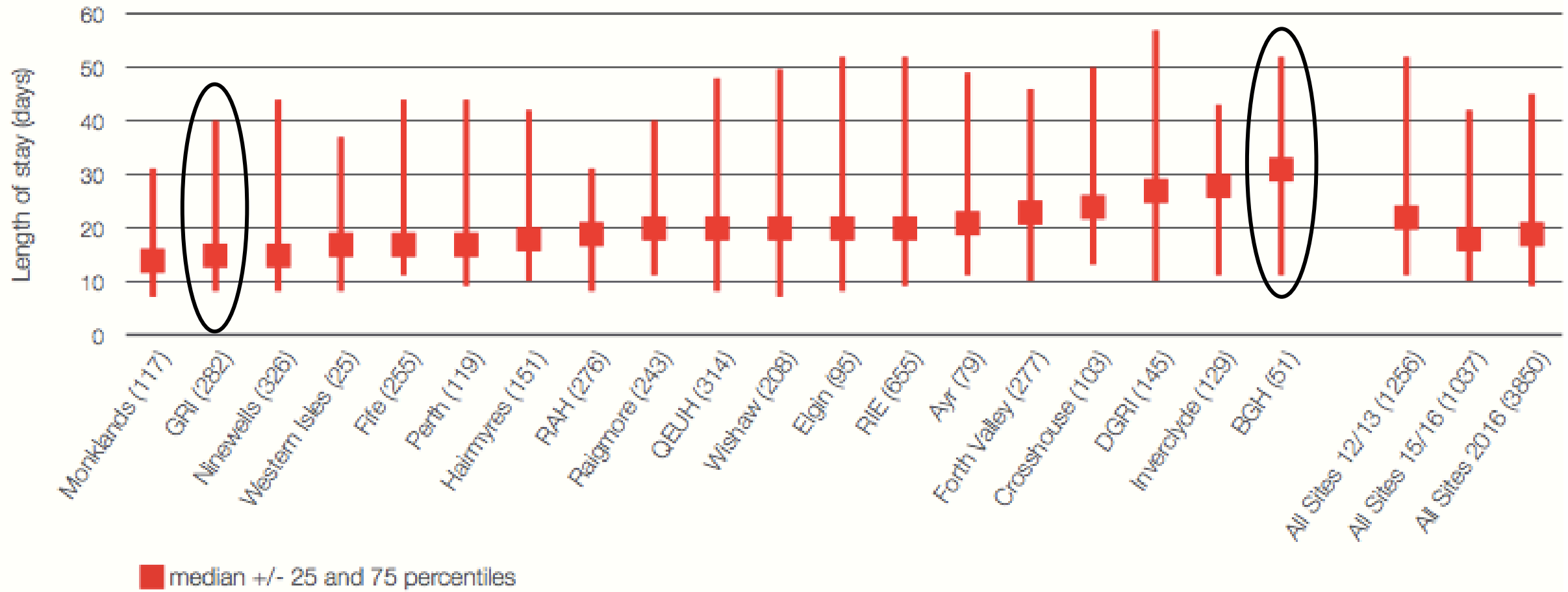
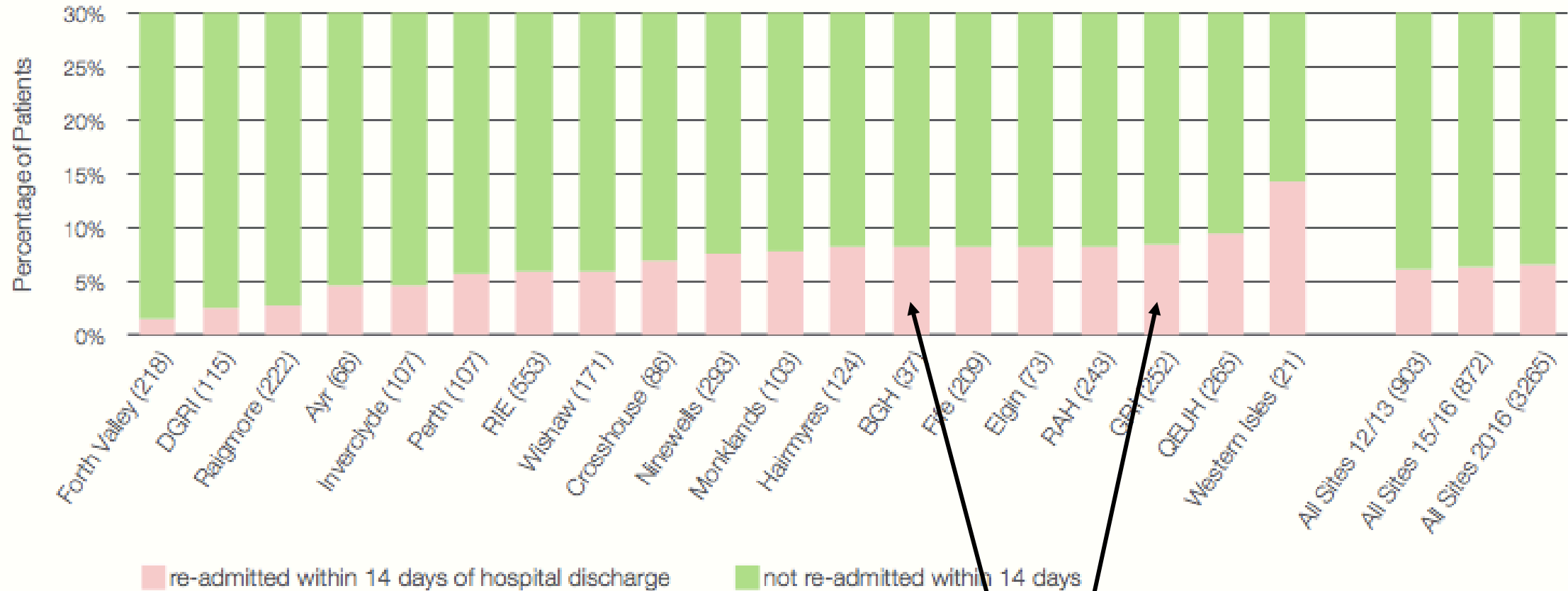
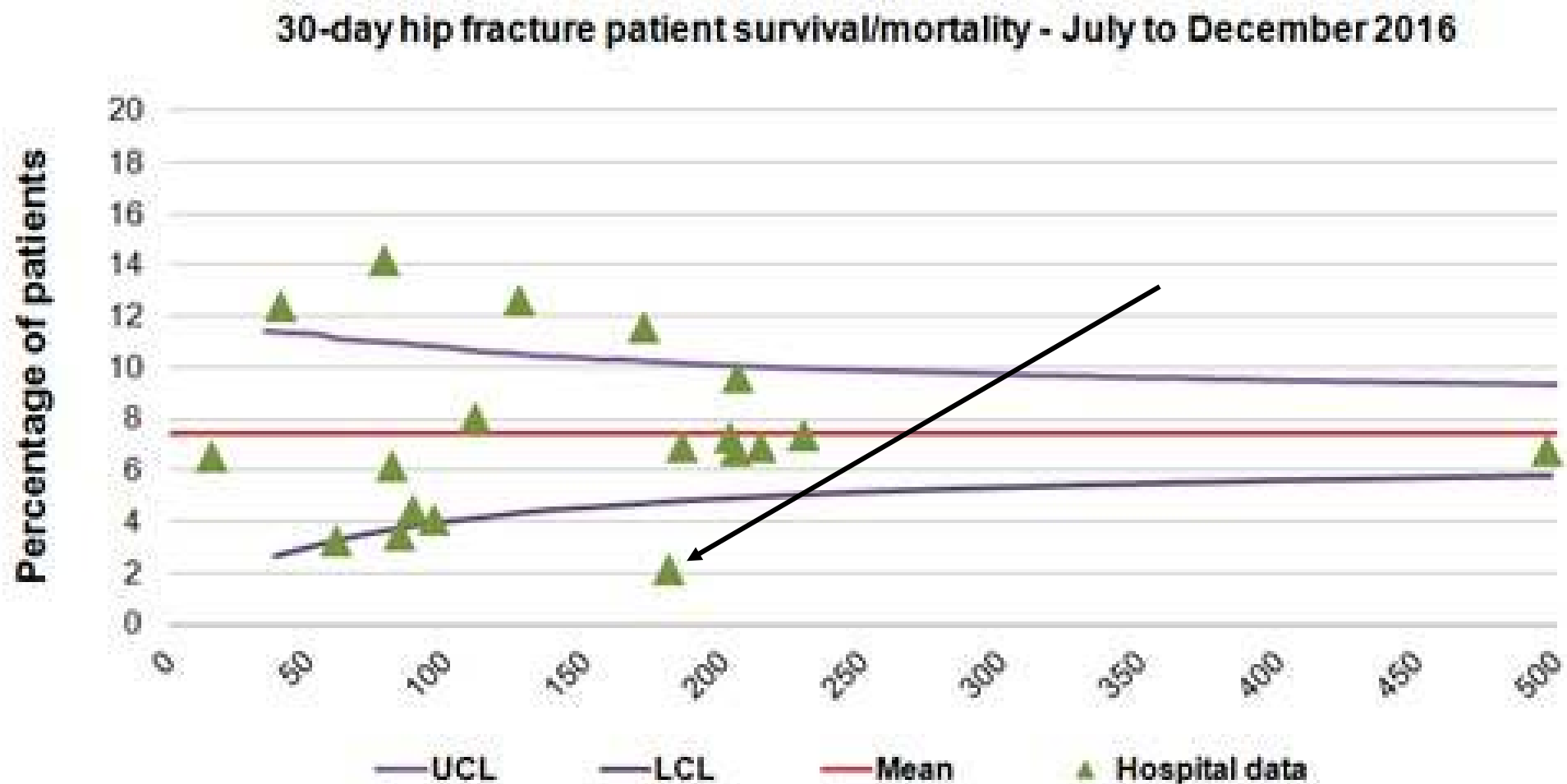


fig. 12.5 Percentage of patients who were readmitted within 14 days of hospital discharge



# 30 day mortality



# Website

The Scottish Hip Fracture Audit

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## Hip fracture.

Hip fracture is the most common, serious orthopaedic injury to affect the elderly, with more than 6,000 patients admitted to hospital in Scotland each year. The burden of hip fracture in Scotland is likely to increase significantly over the coming decade as a consequence of population demographic changes. It is therefore essential that we manage this injury as effectively and efficiently as possible, primarily for the benefit of patients, but also for the optimum use of NHS resources. Hip fracture represents an effective 'tracer' condition as the management of this injury often requires a complex journey of clinical and social care involving many different disciplinary teams and community based services. As such, if we improve the quality of care for hip fracture patients, then we can expect to improve the care provided to other fragility fracture patients.

**Kirsty Ward** @kirstymward  
#ScotHipAudit  
[twitter.com/i/moments/8847...](https://twitter.com/i/moments/8847...)  
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July Hip Fracture News  
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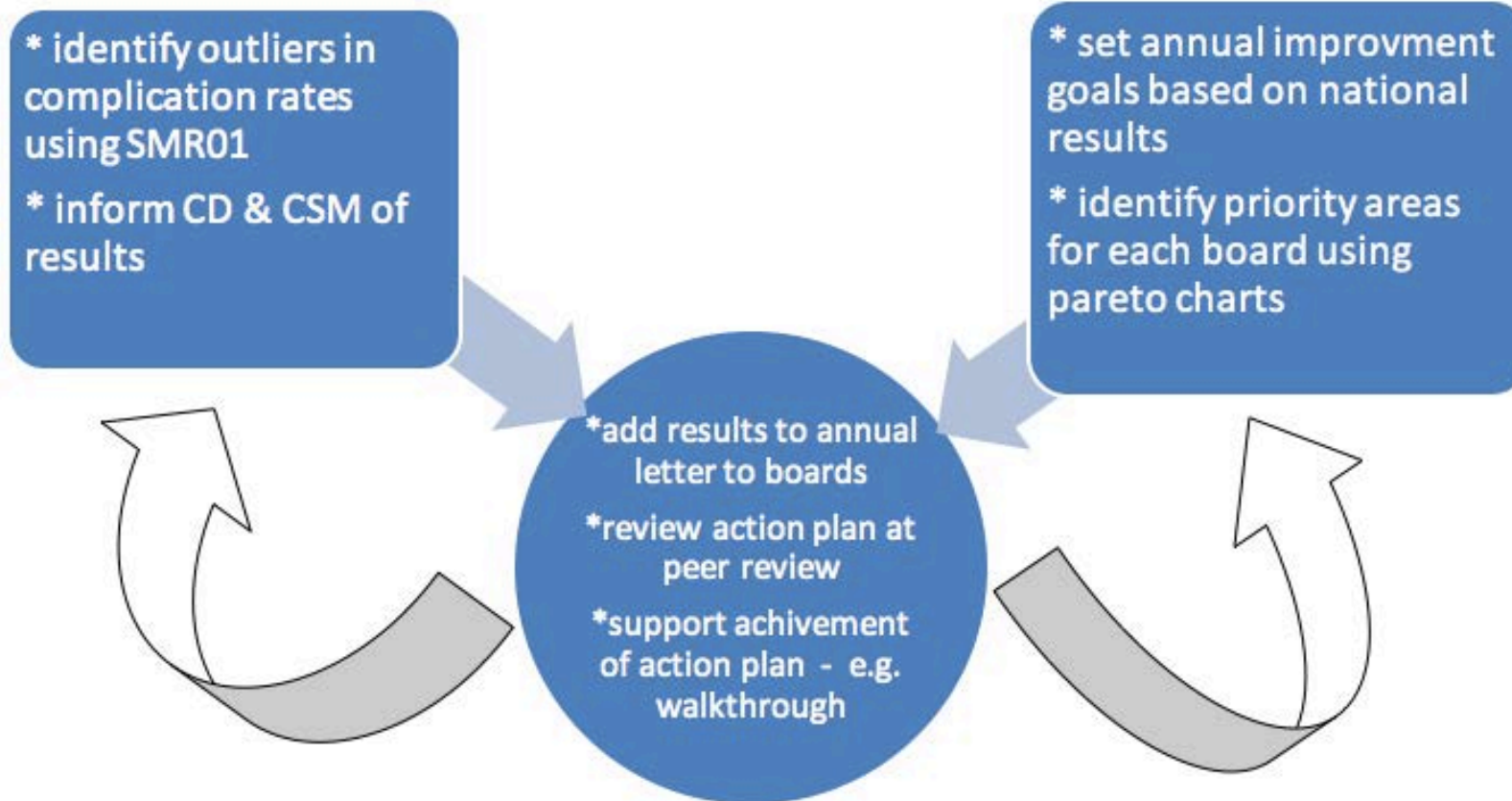
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The Scottish Government

# Complication Reporting



# Complication Reporting

- Infected prosthesis within one year
- Dislocation within one year
- DVT and or PE within 90 days
- Mortality within 30 days
- Stroke within 30 days
- Acute myocardial infarction within 30 days
- GI bleed within 30 days
- Renal failure within 30 days



# The Battle of the Audits





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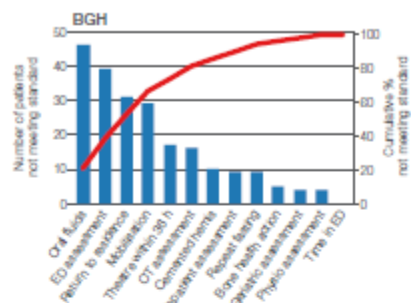
<b>Criterion</b>	<b>SHFA 2012</b>	<b>SHFA 2016</b>	<b>NHFD</b>
<b>4 hour ED transfer</b>	<b>92%</b>		<b>47% (2014)</b>
Theatre within 36 hours	70%		72%
Falls assessment	90%		96%
Cognitive assessment	92%		93%
Bone protection	75%		80%
<b>CoE intervention</b>	<b>60% (25%)</b>		<b>85%</b>
<b>30 day home from home</b>	<b>35%</b>		<b>60%</b>
<b>30 mortality</b>			

*Using an **exception** presents a more accurate picture of quality care by allowing for clinical judgement and unusual circumstances that happen in the provision of patient care.*

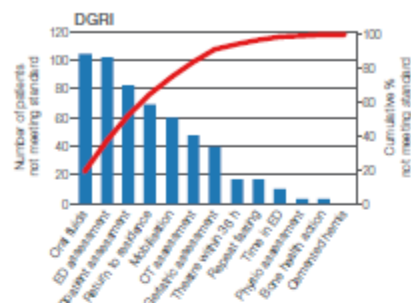
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ED bundle				
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Inpatient assessment bundle				
RAH	10420	Inpatient assessment bundle	Nov 2016	21-Nov-16
Time to theatre				
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RAH	10403	Time to theatre	Nov 2016	30-Nov-16
RAH	10404	Time to theatre	Nov 2016	05-Nov-16
RAH	10405	Time to theatre	Nov 2016	07-Nov-16
RAH	10411	Time to theatre	Nov 2016	11-Nov-16
RAH	10414	Time to theatre	Nov 2016	14-Nov-16
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Repeat fasting				
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RAH	10414	Repeat fasting	Nov 2016	14-Nov-16
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Oral fluids				
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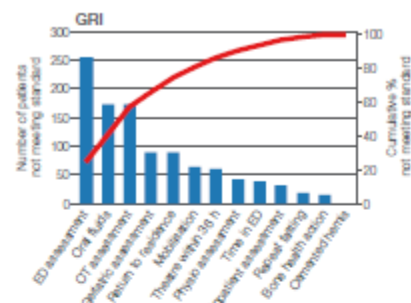
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Use of uncemented hemiarthroplasties				
Geriatric input				
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Mobilisation				
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Return to original residence by 30 days post-admission				
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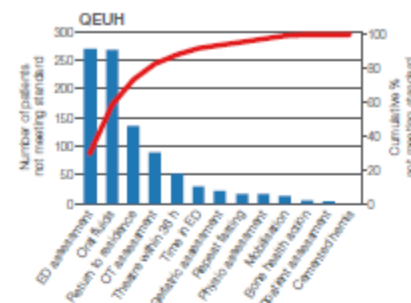
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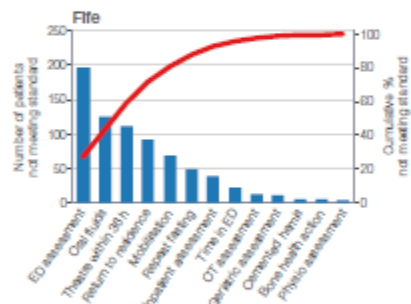
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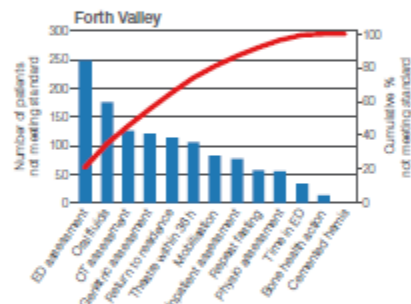
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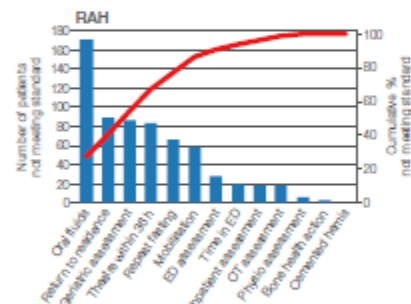
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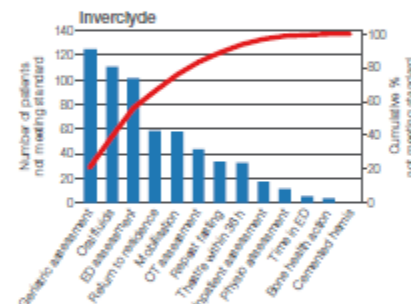
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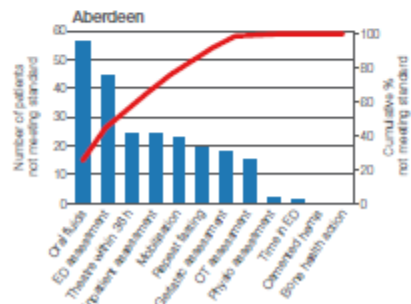
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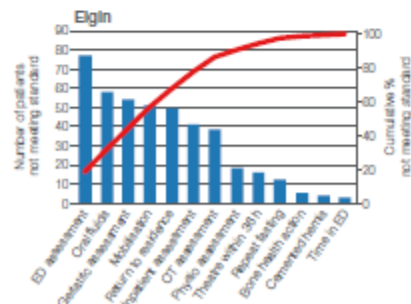
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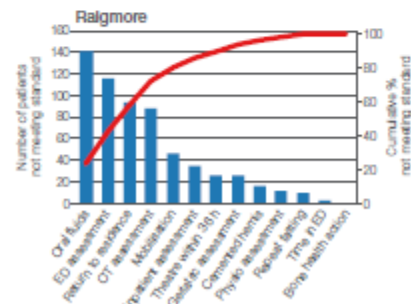
**Inverclyde Royal Hospital:** Access to geriatric assessment, oral fluids stopped for in excess of four hours prior to surgery, completion of ED big 6 bundle.



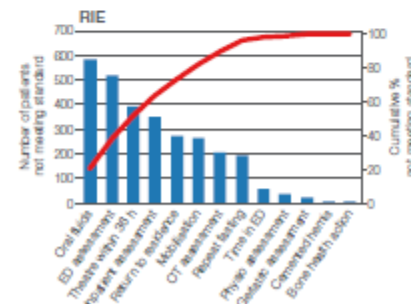
**Aberdeen Royal Infirmary:** Oral fluids stopped for in excess of four hours prior to surgery, completion of ED big 6 bundle.



**Dr Gray's Elgin:** Completion of ED big 6 bundle, oral fluids stopped for in excess of four hours prior to surgery, access to Geriatric assessment.



**Raigmore:** Oral fluids stopped for in excess of four hours prior to surgery, completion of ED big 6 bundle, numbers who return to their residence within 30 days.



**RIE:** Oral fluids stopped for in excess of four hours prior to surgery, completion of ED big 6 bundle, theatre within 36 hours.

# Scottish Standards of Care for People with Hip Fractures.



## Summer 2017 spotlight on.....Fluid fasting



**Standard 5: No patients should be repeatedly fasted in preparation for surgery. In addition, oral fluids should be encouraged up to two hours prior to surgery.**

Patients should be offered drinks up to two hours before surgery. Most patients will be receiving intravenous fluids so prevention of dehydration is less of an issue, however intravenous fluids do not attenuate the sensation of thirst, so allowing oral fluids is humane and will improve patient comfort. Hip fracture patients are frequently malnourished and/or dehydrated on admission to hospital. Repeated fasting of this patient group can further exacerbate this issue. Repeating a fasting cycle must therefore be avoided where possible, and the length of pre-operative fasting should be minimised.

## IMPLEMENTATION

Louise McGaw, Deputy Charge Nurse from Ward 2C, University Hospital Crosshouse shares her experience of how her team have worked together to improve achievement of this standard. They have shown sustained improvement over the past 6 months and have increased the numbers of hip fracture patients who are given oral fluids prior to surgery from 40% in December 2016 to an impressive 100% in June 2017.

*'In order to improve fluid fasting times for patients who have sustained a hip fracture it was crucial for us to identify the areas that required improvement.'*

Two main areas that were identified were:

1. Audit nurse had difficulty finding documentation that reported final fasting intake and time.
2. Communication within multidisciplinary team members regarding theatre times.

*To improve these areas we firstly devised a fasting fluid chart that is positioned at the start of the patients nursing profile which clearly identifies the time fluids were last taken and amount. This provided easy accessibility for the audit nurse to retrieve the information that was required.*

*Ward shift leaders played a pivotal role on the ward round by asking anaesthetists and consultants the patients' position on the theatre list to confirm if additional clear fluids could be offered and until what time. The shift leader then had the responsibility to communicate this information to all staff members to encourage fluid intake up to two hours prior to theatre as recommendation by the Hip Fracture Care Pathway Report (2016). Following additional fluid intake it was imperative the fluid chart was further updated. Finally, on occasions where patients were cancelled for theatre a new fasting fluid chart was commenced over the next fasting period to promote accuracy with fluid fasting times.'*

Resources from other hospitals as well as a copy of the fluid checklist from NHS Ayrshire and Arran are available for use on the SHFA website [The Scottish Hip Fracture Audit](#).

## WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE?

- [http://www.shfa.scot.nhs.uk/\\_docs/20161109\\_SSC\\_for\\_Hip\\_Fracture\\_Patients.pdf](http://www.shfa.scot.nhs.uk/_docs/20161109_SSC_for_Hip_Fracture_Patients.pdf).

Inspirational campaign from Nottingham University Hospital on how they tackled changing people's perceptions of fasting prior to surgery.

- <http://patientexperiencenetwork.org/case-studies/nottingham-university-hospitals-think-drink-project/>.
- <https://youtu.be/mn4ynZtAaiA>.

# Scottish Standards of Care for Hip Fracture Patients 2017.

Prepared in collaboration with Healthcare Improvement Scotland to align with 'Older People in Acute Care' improvement programme.



Standard 1: Patients with a Hip Fracture should be transferred from the Emergency Department to the orthopaedic ward within 4 hours.

Standard 2: Patients who have a clinical suspicion or confirmation of a hip fracture should have the "Big Six" interventions/treatments before leaving the Emergency Department.

1. Provision of Pain Relief.
2. Screening for Delirium.
3. Early Warning Score (EWS) system.
4. Full Blood Investigation and Electrocardiogram.
5. Intravenous Fluids Therapy.
6. Pressure Area Care.

Standard 3: Every patient with a hip fracture should receive the "inpatient bundle of care" within 24 hours of admission.

1. Baseline assessment of Cognitive function.
2. Falls Assessment.
3. Food, Fluids and Nutritional Assessment.
4. Pressure Area Assessment.

Standard 4: Patients must undergo surgical repair of their hip fracture within 36 hours of admission.

Standard 5: No patients should be repeatedly fasted in preparation for surgery. In addition, oral- fluids should be encouraged up to two hours prior to surgery.

Standard 6: Cemented hemi-arthroplasty implants should be standard unless clinically indicated otherwise.

Standard 7: Every patient who is identified locally as being frail should receive comprehensive geriatric assessment within three days of admission.

Standard 8: Mobilisation should have begun by the end of the first day after surgery and every patient should have physiotherapy assessment by end of day two.

Standard 9: All patients with a hip fracture should have an Occupational Therapy (OT) assessment by the end of day three following admission to ward.

Standard 10: Every patient who has a hip fracture should have an assessment of their bone health prior to leaving the acute orthopaedic ward.

Standard 11: Every patient's care and recovery should be optimised by a multi-disciplinary team approach such that they are discharged safely back to their original place of residence within 30 days from the date of admission.

Standard 12: A local information leaflet for patients and relatives/carers should be available to provide information on expected acute care and support on discharge to the community.

The full text of these standards is available online at [www.shfa.scot.nhs.uk](http://www.shfa.scot.nhs.uk)

These Standards are endorsed by the following organisations:



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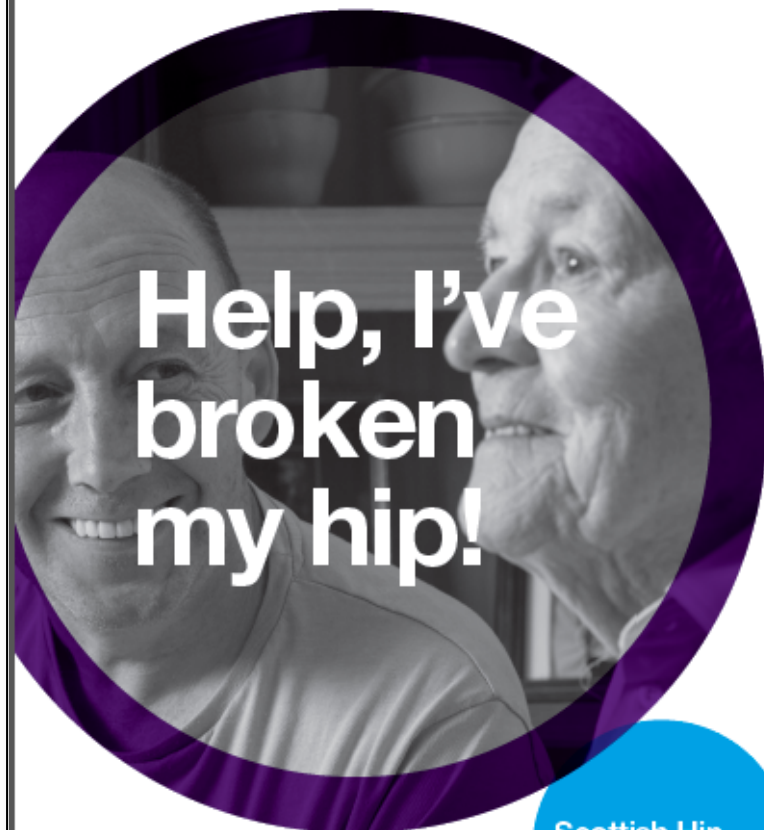


Catheterisation standard removed

Timing of OT assessment changed

Patient and relative information added

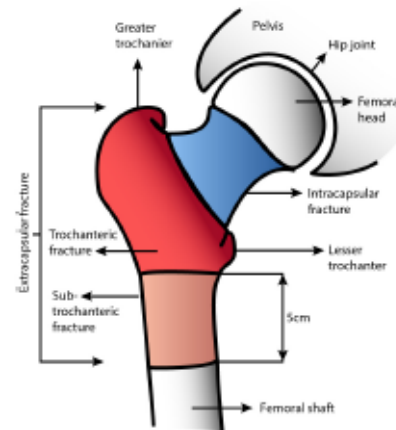




Help, I've  
broken  
my hip!

Scottish Hip  
Fracture Audit.

## You've broken your hip – this happens when the thigh bone at your hip breaks



## Why did it happen to me?

- Just over one in 20 people over the age of 65 will suffer from a hip fracture.
- Hip fractures are very common and are usually due to a fall.
- A condition called 'osteoporosis' can weaken bones, meaning that they break more easily.
- It's more likely to happen to women as they are more likely to have osteoporosis.

## What happens now?

- Pain often causes people the most worry. You will be given painkillers by the ambulance staff and then when you get to hospital. **The pain usually improves after the bone is repaired.**
- It's likely that you will be offered an operation to repair the fracture. However, you can decide if this is the best option for you.
- You can discuss your treatment with your consultant who will help you to understand the options available.
- If you decide to have an operation, it should be carried out within 36 hours of your admission to hospital.

## Can anything go wrong?

- It's important to know that things can go wrong sometimes. However, the risks are low and usually depend on the state of your health when you are admitted to hospital.
- It's very common for people to become confused. This is called '**delirium**' and can be caused by some medications, infection or the shock to your body from the injury. This is usually a temporary condition which will clear up as you recover.
- Sometimes, people can experience infection, blood loss, clots in the leg or ongoing pain.



- Approximately **one or two people in every 200 die within 30 days of** suffering a hip fracture and it is important to recognise that this is a serious injury. However, the likelihood of this is usually related to how frail the person was when they were admitted to hospital rather than something going wrong with the operation.
- Your consultant will discuss with you all of the risks involved.

### What about after my operation?

- The ward staff will help you get back on your feet as soon as possible, usually either on the day or the day after your operation.
- You may find this uncomfortable at first but is important to be mobile as soon after the operation as possible. This can help to avoid many of the possible complications.
- You will be given painkillers to help with this.

### When can I go home?

- The average length of stay in hospital is about 18 days. This varies depending on how well you recover. Some people need longer in hospital to recover.
- When you and the staff caring for you think you are ready, arrangements will be made to help you home.
- Studies show that more than half of people who were admitted from their own home will return there within 30 days.

### How do hospitals improve what they do?

- Together, Scottish Government and the Scottish Hip Fracture Audit have set standards of care that you can expect to receive.
- Information on how hospitals are meeting these standards is collected and passed to their local teams so that they can identify any improvements needed.
- Further details including published performance figures are available at [www.shfa.nhs.scot.uk](http://www.shfa.nhs.scot.uk).



The Scottish Hip Fracture Audit