# Fracture Neck Of Femur: Service Development

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## Defining the service

## Population

400,000

- 17% males aged over 65
- 28% females aged over 65

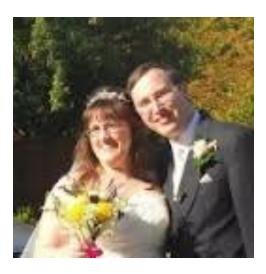


- 450-500 #NOF/year
- Appointed #NOF lead beginning 2012

## The team

- 2 Consultant Orthogeriatricians:
  - Dr Pritchard-Howarth, Dr Grint





## The team continued...

- Matron Jan Hannigan
- Physio/OT
- Sisters from male/female Ortho wards
- Pain team
- NHFD co-ordinator Ged Hughes

## **Good bits**

### Chart 9 - A&E to Orthopaedic Ward in 4 hours (Blue Book Standard 1)

#### NICE CG 124

There is a marked improvement in data completeness for time to ward: 94.3% compared with 86.2% in 2010/11. However, the percentage of patients reaching the orthopaedic ward within 4 hours has fallen from 56% to 52%.

This might be seen in the context of a recently reported broader trend towards A&E stays breaching the 4 hour target.

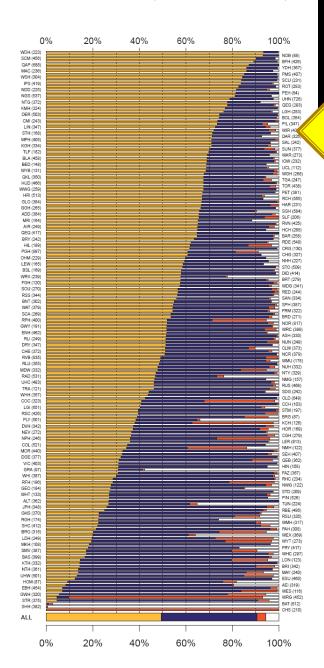


Hospital (N)

Orth ward admission after 4 hours (41.1%)

Orth ward admission

- Not admitted to orth ward (3.8%)
- ☐ Unknown (5.7%)

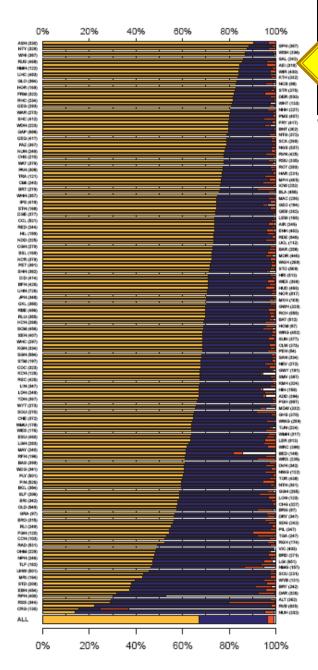


### Chart 11 - Surgery within 36 hours of admission

### NICE CG 124

Reducing the time taken to get patients to theatre may require a substantial effort in organisational change. The improvement from 61.6% in 2010/11 to 67% in 2011/12 is likely to be as a result added stimulus of BPT.





## Not so good bits

### Chart 13 - Reason for delay beyond 36 hours

### NICE CG 124

There has been no change in the dominance of administrative factors over medical problems in causing pre-operative delay. The fact that the reason for delay is unknown in 14.2% of cases suggests that some hospitals are not as concerned about such delays as they should be.

Medically unfit - awaiting

medical review investigation

Medically unfit - awaiting

Admin – awaiting inpatient or high dependency bed (0.3%)

Hospital (n/N)

 orthopaedic diagnosis or investigation (7.3%)

Admin - awaiting space

Admin - cancelled due to list over-run (6.4%)

Admin - problem with

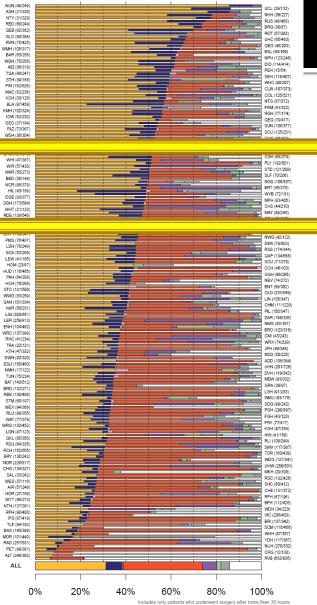
Other (3.7%)

☐ Unknown (14.2%)

theatre/equipment/staff (1.9%)

on theatre list (35.0%)

or stabilisation (31.2%)



40%

60%

80%

100%

20%

Includes only patients who underwent surgery after more than 36 hours. Hospitals with fewer than 10 patients delayed by 36 hours or more are not plotted Medically unfit – awaiting medical review investigation or stabilisation (31.2%)

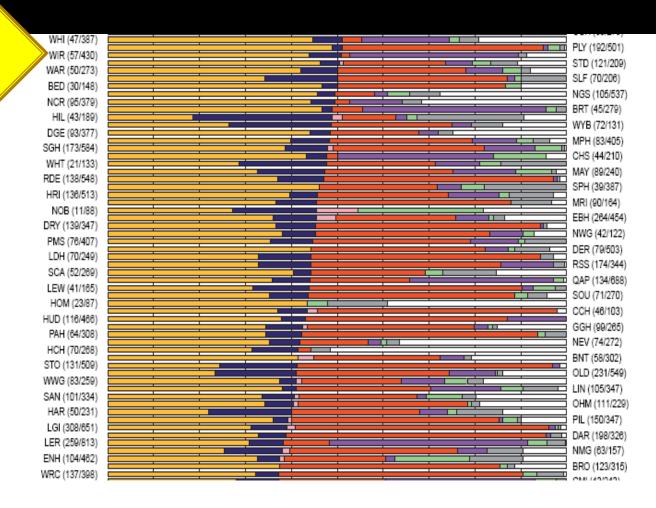
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Hospital (n/N)

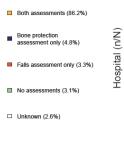
Admin – awaiting space on theatre list (35.0%)

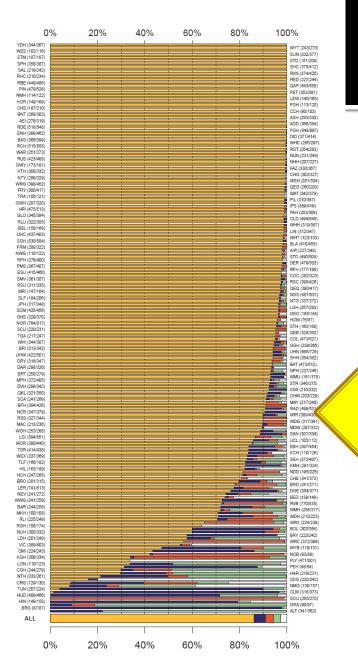
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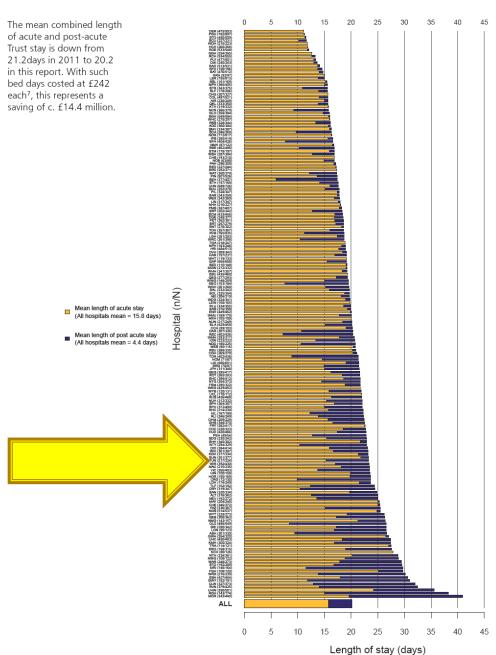
### **Chart 27 - Secondary prevention overview**

97% of patients now have secondary prevention assessments by the time of discharge: up from 94% in 2011. This is likely to be a result of the stimulus of BPT.





### Chart 28 - Length of acute and post-acute Trust stay



Pressure sore rate of 13.4%

Very worrying

Pressure relieving mattresses

## Service development

- Accurate data
  - Are we doing what we think we are doing?
  - Transparency

- Fracture neck of femur database coordinator
  - Ged Hughes

# Excellent care has to start in the community

Coherent fracture liaison services

Recognise the first, prevent the second

Prevent herald fractures becoming transformative fractures

# Excellent care has to continue in AED

Pain control

- X-rays
- Up to the ward

## AED fast-track pathway

### FRACTURED NECK OF FEMUR FAST-TRACK PROFORMA

#### SUITABLE FOR:

• All patients with fracture neck of femur who have been reviewed by an ED senior

#### NOT SUITABLE FOR PATIENTS WITH:

- Collapse with LOC/new onset neurology
- New alteration in GCS
- MEWS ≥ 4
- New ECG changes
- Polytrauma patients

NB: Patients under the age of 60 yrs are not excluded from the fast-track pathway but the Ortho SHO must discuss them with the Ortho SpR on call regardless of time

### PLEASE RECORD YOUR DETAILS BELOW IF YOU ARE INVOLVED IN THE CARE OF THIS PATIENT:

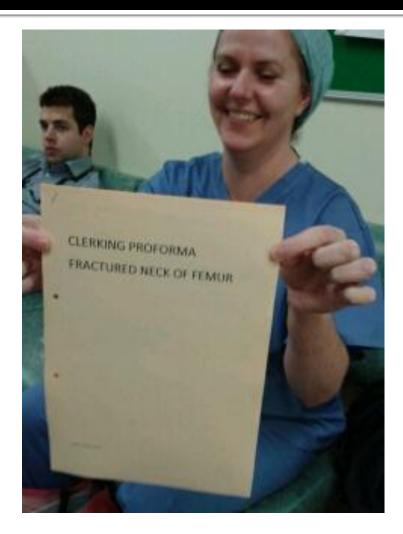
Name (block capitals)	Designation	Date/Time seen	Signature
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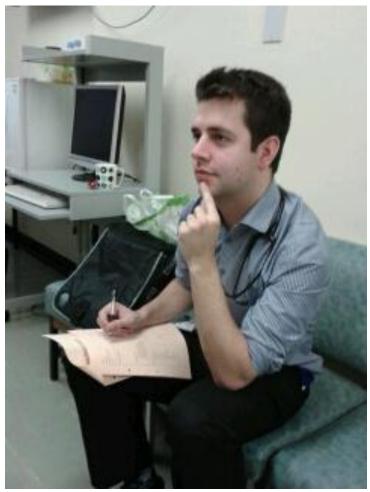
### **AED**

 Consultant USS guided fascia iliaca blocks – middle-grade training in progress

ENP training

## **Clinical pathway**





- Developed with all team members
- Incorporates medical "checklist"
  - Fluids
  - Raised INR
  - Analgesia

# CLERKING PROFORMA FRACTURED NECK OF FEMUR

**Check list** (please tick once action performed)

It is vital that these are completed on each and every patient

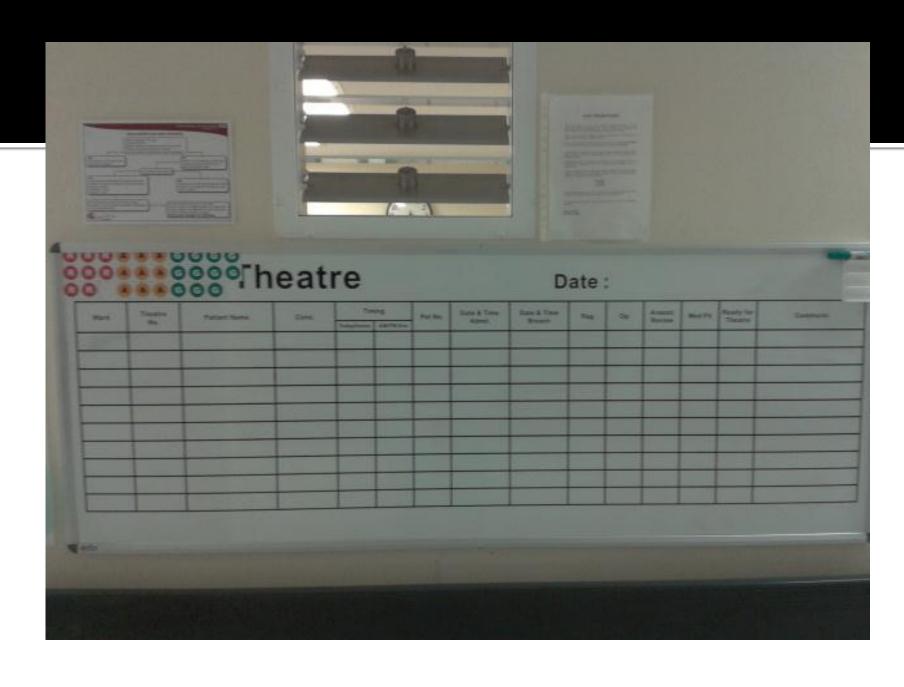
Action	Tick
Pre-operative AMT	
Admitted under joint care (on PCIS)	
Orthogeriatric assessment within 72 hours	
Falls assessment/bone health	
Theatre within 36 hours	
Post-operative AMT	
Multidisciplinary care	

Evolution of clerking-in pathway

Version 3 March 2013

## "Corporate responsibility"





# Increasing collaboration



## Anaesthetists

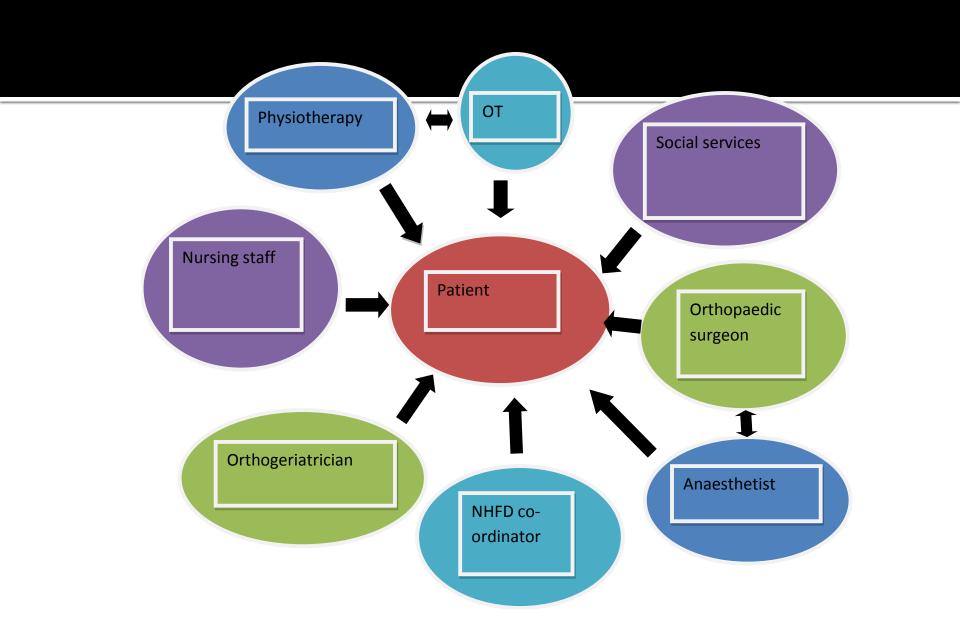
- Invited to take part in MDT meetings
- Developing enhanced recovery with large volume infiltration LA/same-day mobilisation

## Rehabilitation

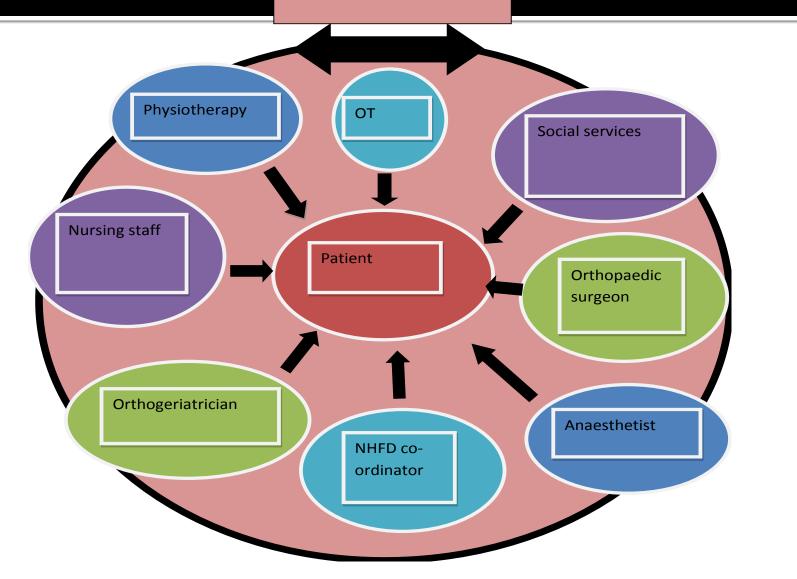
- 'Ring-fencing' 60% beds for #NOF
- Autonomy over admissions
  - Sister Kate Hughes
  - Secondment of experienced Orthopaedic staff
- Therapy services staffing
  - Need increased OT/physiotherapy support

## Ongoing development

- MDT meetings
  - Inclusive
- Standardisation of care
  - Engaging all staff
    - RAG board meetings



### Fracture NOF nurse



- Thank you
- Any questions?

