

# Why is it so hard to plan?

Implementing Estimated Dates of Discharge Prior to Admission

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# Methodology

If you're interested, I'll be tracking the DMAIC structure on each page





## What is an Estimated Date of Discharge?

Estimated date that the patient will be ready to be safely discharged from hospital

Why do they matter?







# Why for electives prior to admission?

The hospital is full

Electives are often cancelled

85% accuracy for acute occupancy

Only 50% accurate for electives



# Pilot Groups

### **Enhanced Recovery After Surgery**

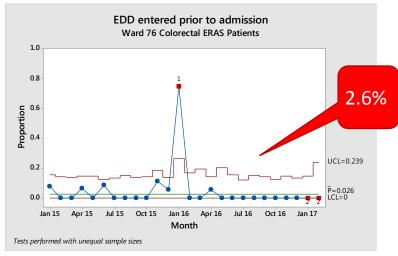


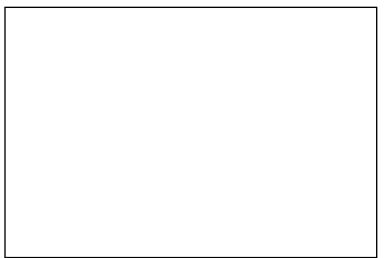




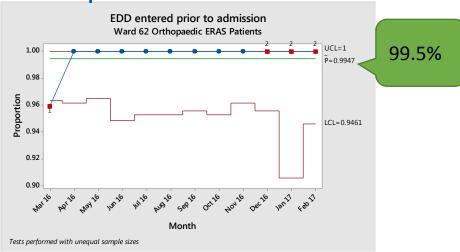
### **Baseline Data**

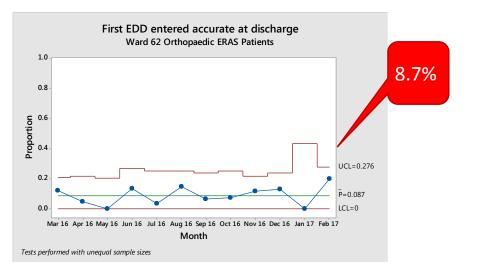
#### Colorectal





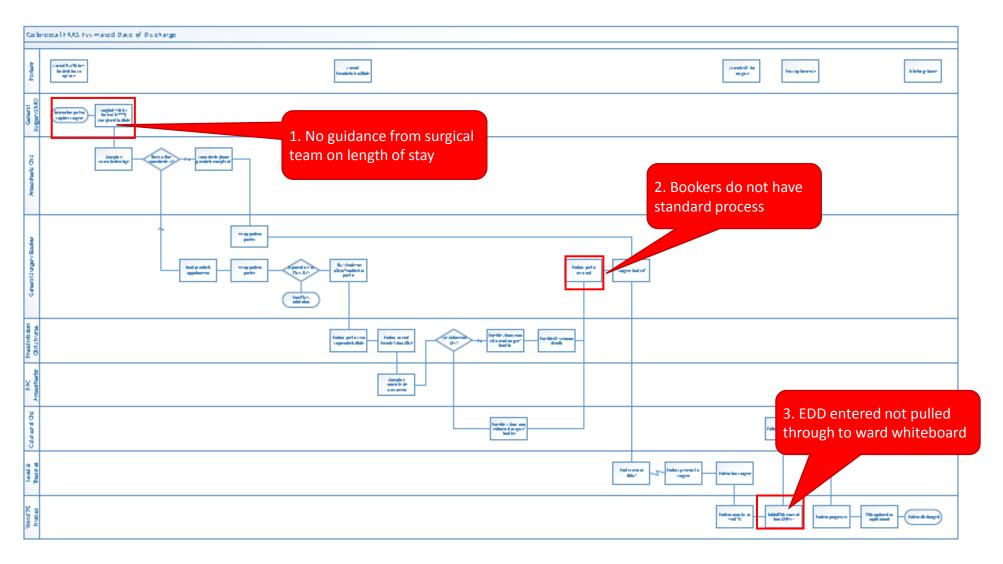
#### **Orthopaedics**







## Process Mapped & Root Causes Identified







## 1. No guidance from surgical teams on length of stay

Solutions considered

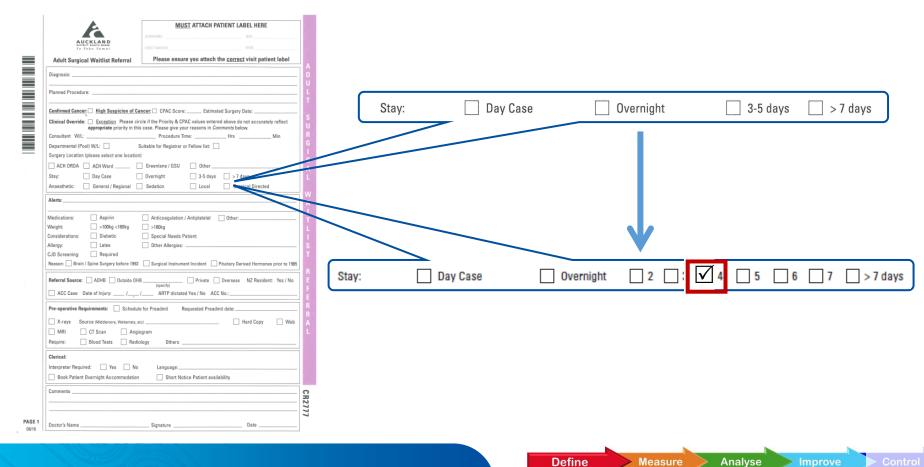






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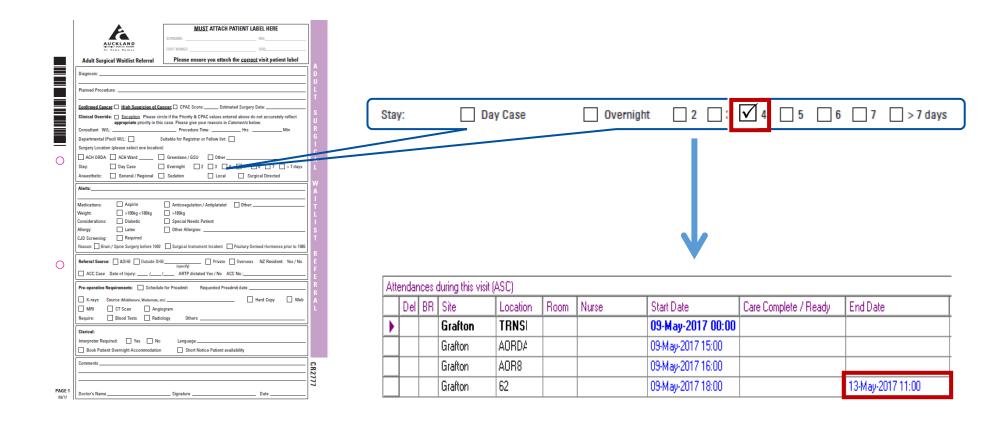
#### Form modified to allow for detail





## 2. Bookers do not have standard process

#### Standardised orientation and process



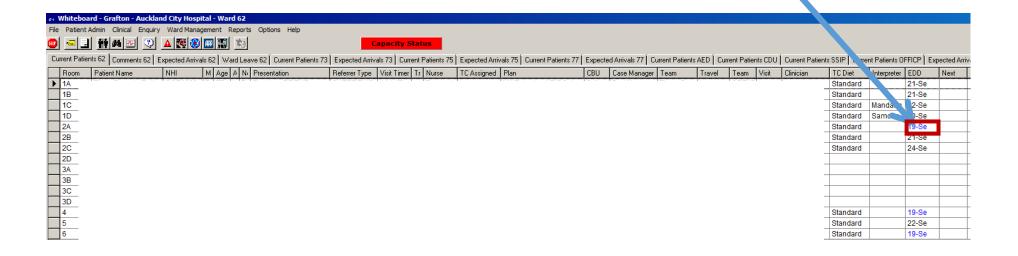




### 3. EDD entered not pulled through to ward whiteboard

#### Issue resolved

Attendances during this visit (ASC)									
	Del	BR	Site	Location	Room	Nurse	Start Date	Care Complete / Ready	End Date
•			Grafton	TRNS			09-May-2017 00:00		
			Grafton	AORD4			09-May-2017 15:00		
			Grafton	AOR8			09-May-2017 16:00		
			Grafton	62			09-May-2017 18:00		13-May-2017 11:00

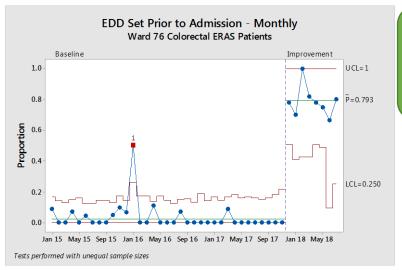




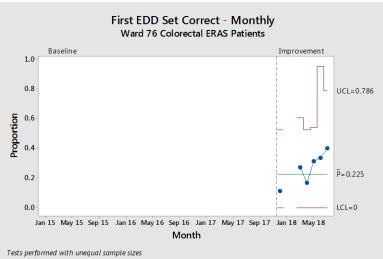


### Results

#### Colorectal

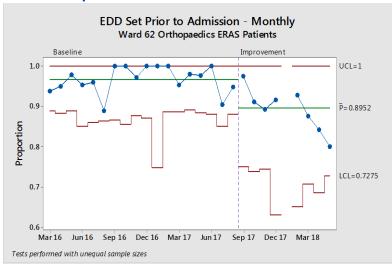


2.6% to 79.3%

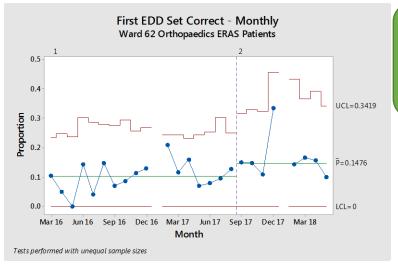


0% to 22.5%

#### Orthopaedics



99.5% to 89.5%



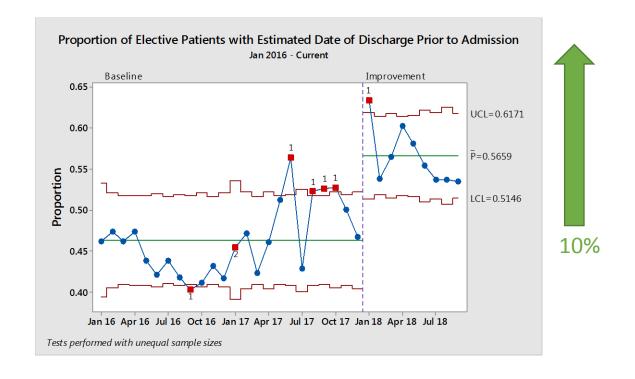
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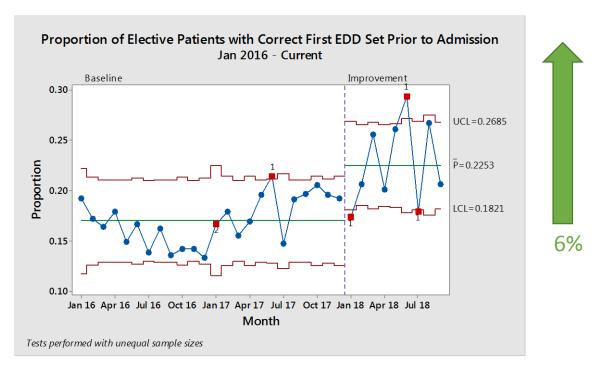




## Simple change had big results

### Hospital wide







### **EDD Principles Established**

#### **Best practice in planning**

- Every patient gets an EDD, based on estimated LOS from the booking surgeon
- It is the same LOS as what the patient is told
- Booking forms allow for specific LOS to be documented
- Bookers follow a consistent process, entering an EDD when inpatient stay is created

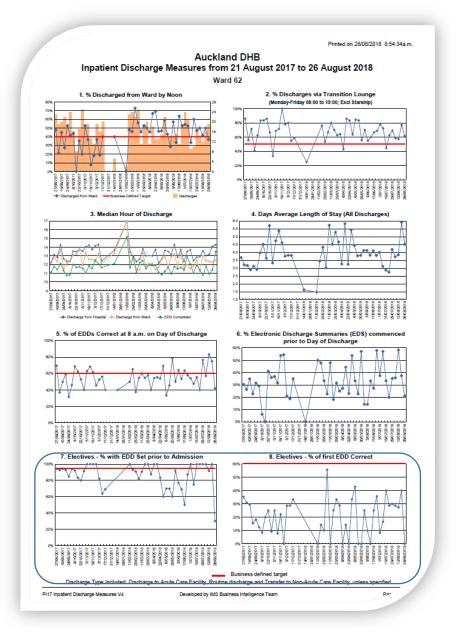




### Monitoring

Weekly Reports for ward

Monthly for service

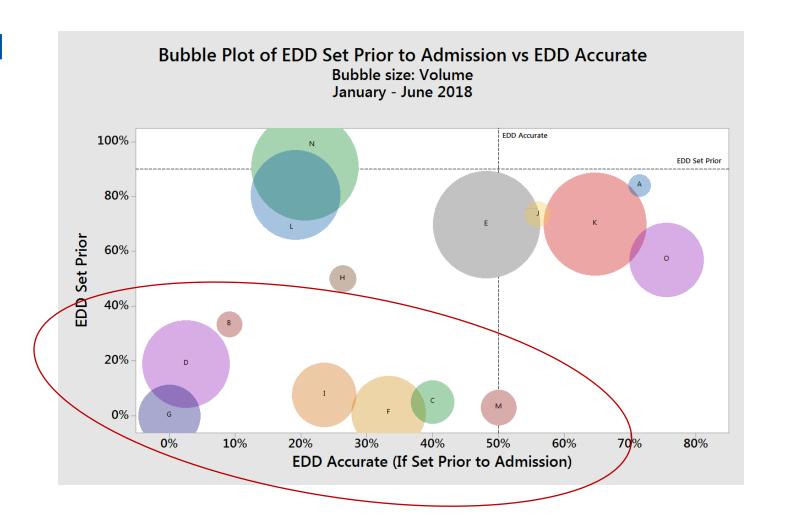




## Still many more services to go

Weekly Reports for ward

Monthly for service



**Define** 





## Any questions?

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