

Trust Board Performance Report February 2021

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Executive Summary

Elective care

The third wave of COVID-19 reached its peak in mid-January, but the Trust remained in a state of heightened escalation throughout the month of February. This resulted in ongoing impact on elective volumes and therefore waiting times across all services. Board members will recall that Antrim Hospital was providing only emergency surgery during most of January; this situation continued for all of February, with a small amount of red flag surgery maintained in Causeway.

Outpatient referrals increased in February but remain well below historic levels, with a 28% reduction in referrals year-on-year. Outpatient activity year to date is at 40% below SBA, and long waits have continued to increase. The number of patients waiting over 52 weeks for a first outpatient appointment now stands at over 27,000.

Inpatient and daycase performance is in a similar position, with activity severely impacted by the pandemic and the number of long waits continuing to rise. At the end of February there were 4,617 patients waiting over 52 weeks.

Diagnostic activity in February exceeded the projections in the rebuild plan. Ongoing use of Independent Sector capacity meant that the number of patients waiting greater than 26 weeks reduced to just under 3,100. This takes the number of long waits to below that of February 2020.

Endoscopy also continued to be significantly impacted by the third wave of COVID-19 with a further 13% reduction in volumes compared to January 2021. Nevertheless, the ongoing transfer of patients to the Independent Sector resulted in a small reduction in the numbers waiting over 26 weeks, to around 3,500.

AHP activity also reduced in February due to a number of staff redeployments during the COVID peak. The cumulative activity in 2020/21 remains 34% behind SBA but 11% above the cumulative projected activity in the rebuild plan. The number of patients waiting more than 13 weeks for an AHP appointment increased from to 6,393 to 7,403.

The Trust began to reset services as COVID-19 numbers came down during March, and this should begin to be reflected from next month's report onwards. A rebuild plan covering April to June 2021 has been submitted to the Department of Health, and we will begin monitoring progress against this plan from April onwards.

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Cancer care

Board members are familiar with the ongoing pressures around 14-day breast performance. With the departure of a member of the consultant team and the ongoing mismatch between demand and capacity, it is unlikely that performance will meet the 100% standard in the short term. HSCB is arranging a meeting at the Trust's request to explore options for addressing this longstanding issue.

Continued delays in access to endoscopy, diagnostic day surgery and inpatient surgery have contributed to a reduction in 31 and 62-day performance. Given the large number of patients on a cancer pathway, 62-day performance is unlikely to improve in the short term. A regional process for prioritisation of theatre capacity is now in place, and is ensuring that patients are allocated to available theatre space in line with clinical priority.

Unscheduled care

ED demand has continued to lag behind historic levels, with total ED attendances in February more than 25% below those of February 2020. 4-hour performance in Antrim remained at 62% and in Causeway improved to 68%. The number of 12 hour waits decreased across both sites and were below the levels in February 2020.

Mental health and learning disability

Following several months of steady rise, the number of patients waiting more than 9 weeks for dementia services reduced slightly in February, from 332 to 301. 13-week waits for psychological therapies also saw a small reduction, from 182 to 173.

Learning Disability Day Care services have not met their rebuild projections in recent months due to the impact of the third wave of COVID-19, although the service continues to offer additional remote activities where appropriate.

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Children's Services

The child and adolescent mental health service activity remained similar to January's position, with staff still redeployed in response to the COVID surge. The number of patients waiting over 9 weeks increased in February from 98 to 132.

Community Care

Direct payments, carers' assessment and short break figures are produced quarterly, and an update will be given when the next set of data is available.

HCAIs

There was one episode of MRSA in February, taking the Trust to 12 cases this year. CDiff episodes remain well below target, and Gram negative approximately in line with the target profile.

Performance Summary Dashboard (i)



February 2021

Section	Indicator	Perf.	Ass/var	Section	Indicator	Perf.	Ass/var
Elective Care	OP 9-week waits	15%	F &	Cancer care	14-day breast	25%	(T)
	OP 52-week waits	27,356			31-day	72%	
	OP Cancellations	828	F (s/v)		62-day	37%	
	IPDC 13-week waits	15%	F T	Unscheduled care	Triage to treatment AN		(?) («/») (P) («/»)
	IPDC 52-week waits	4,617	F A		4-hour performance AN CA		F «A»
	Diagnostic 9-week	54%	F (s/s)		12-hour waits AN		F «A»
	Diagnostic 26-week	3,099			Complex discharges AN CA		F «A»
	DRTT (urgent)	87%	F QA		Non-complex AN discharges CA		F e
	Diagnostic Endoscopy 9-week	19%	F C		Stroke Thrombolysis AN CA		P 4/40
	Diagnostic Endoscopy 26-week	3,497	F Has	Mental Health and learning disability	Adult 9-week waits	3	
	AHP 13-week wait	7,403	F H		Adult 7-day discharges	98%	F (\$\sigma_0^*)

Performance Summary Dashboard (ii)



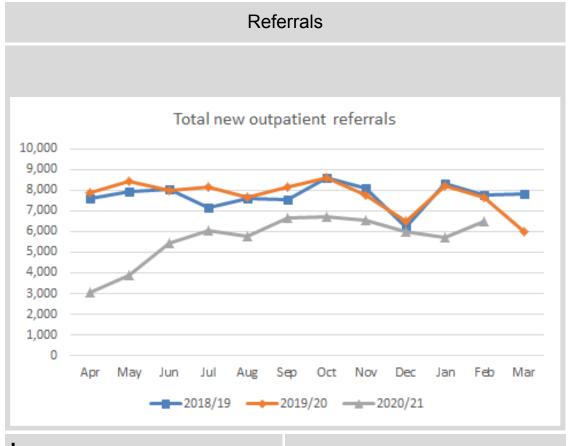
Section	Indicator	Perf.	Ass/var
Mental Health and learning disability	Adult 28-day discharges	1	F (A)
	Dementia 9-week waits	301	F (*)
	Psychological therapies 13-week	173	F +
	Learning disability 7-day discharges	1	?
	Learning disability 28-day discharges	1	
Children's services	CAHMS 9-week waits	132	F (4/4)
	Placement change	85% (Sep19)	
	Adoption	44% (Mar20)	F (s/he)
HCAIs	CDiff	34	
	MRSA	12	
	Gram -ve	67	
Service User Experience	Complaints replied to within 20 days	50% (Jan)	(2)
Workforce	Absence rate	6.23% (Jan)	(A) (A)

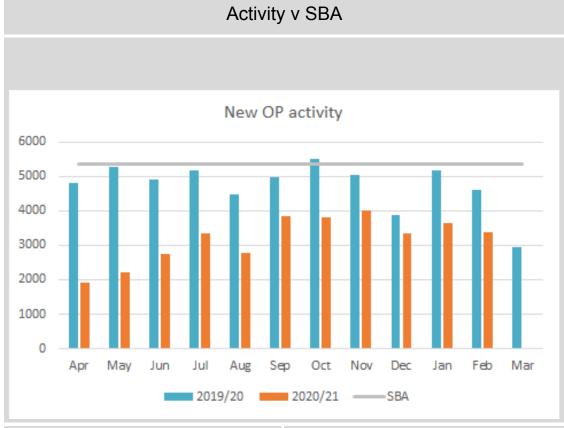
Icon Key:

Assurance			Variation			
?	(P)	F	•	H.> (2->	H.	
Randomly achieves target	Consistently (P)assing the target	Consistently (F)alling short of the target	Common cause	Special cause of concerning variation	Special cause of improving variation	

Outpatients





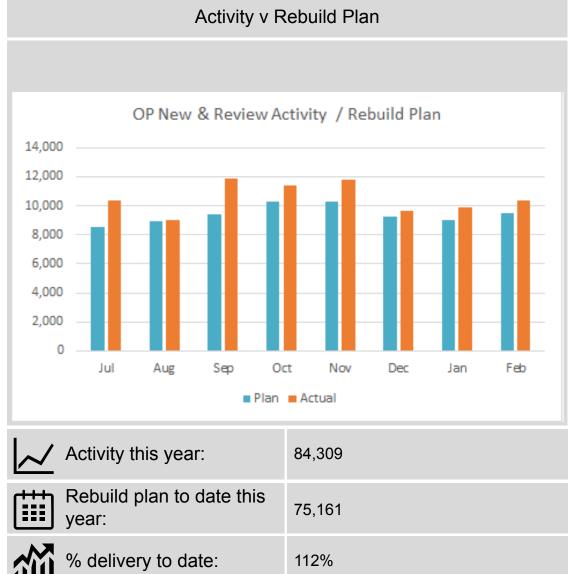


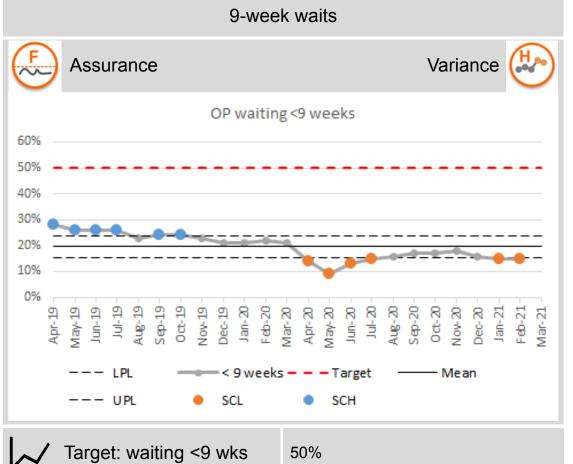
Referrals this year:	62,246
Previous year to date:	86,961
% Change:	28% reduction

Activity this year:	35,064
SBA to date this year:	58,832
% delivery to date:	60%

Outpatients







15%

Concerning position, 2 consecutive

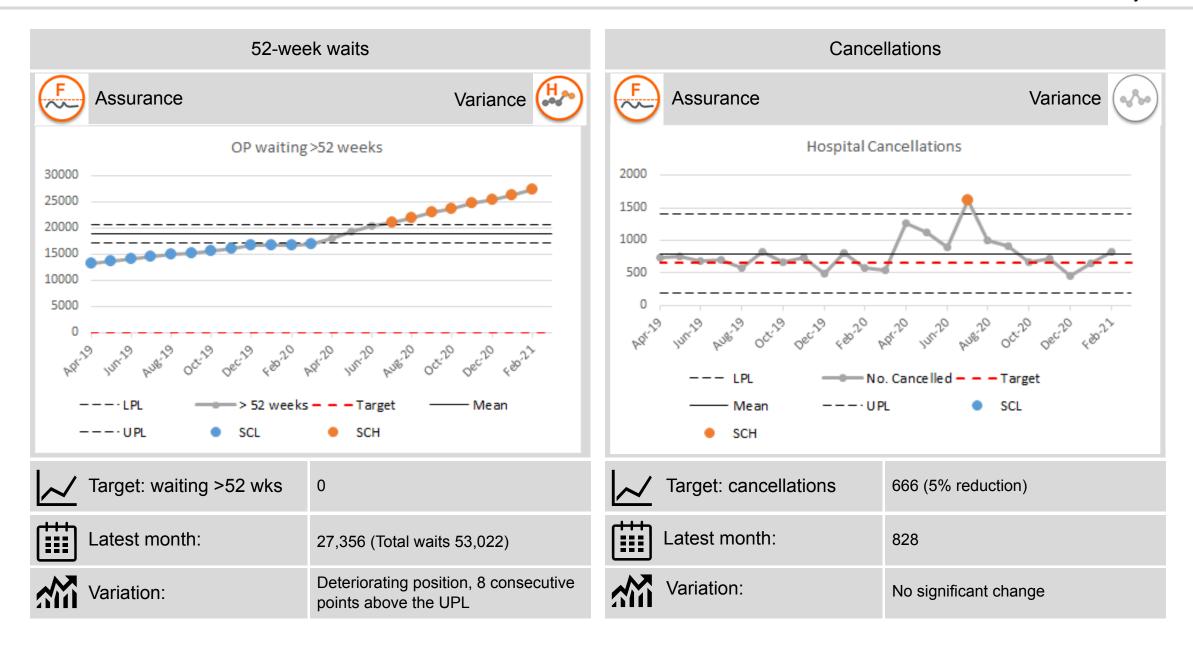
points below the LPL

Latest month:

Variation:

Outpatients

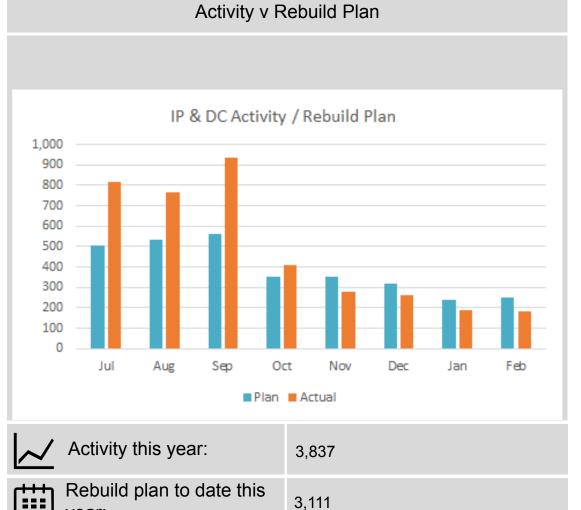




Inpatients and Daycases



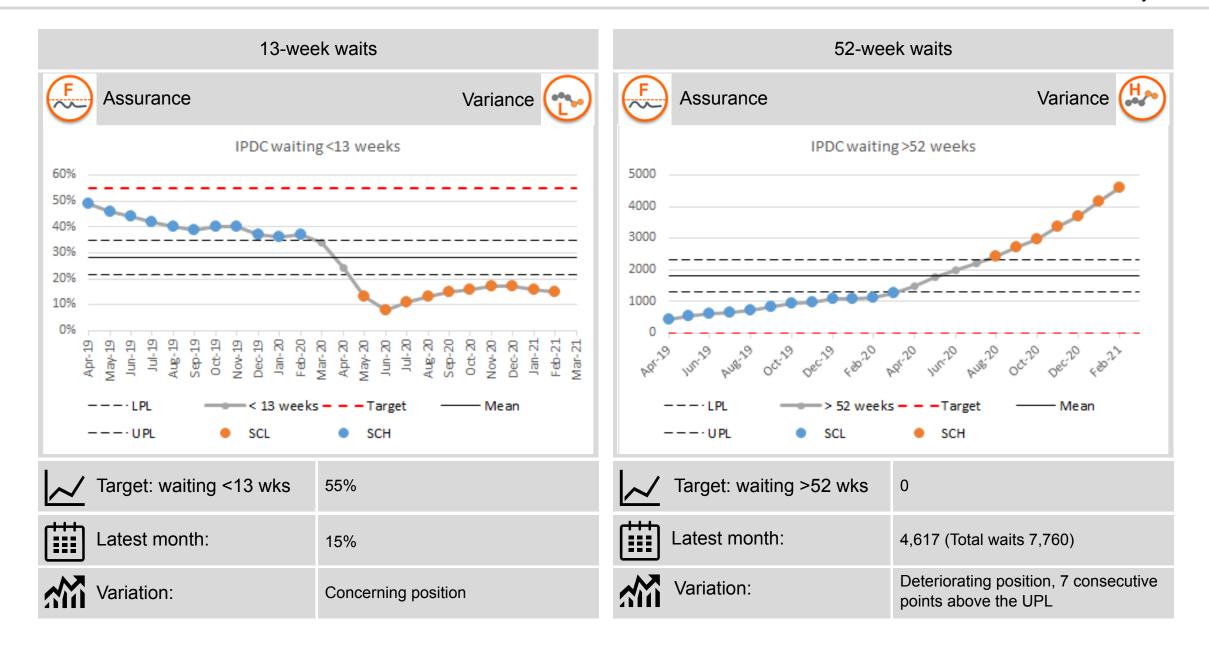




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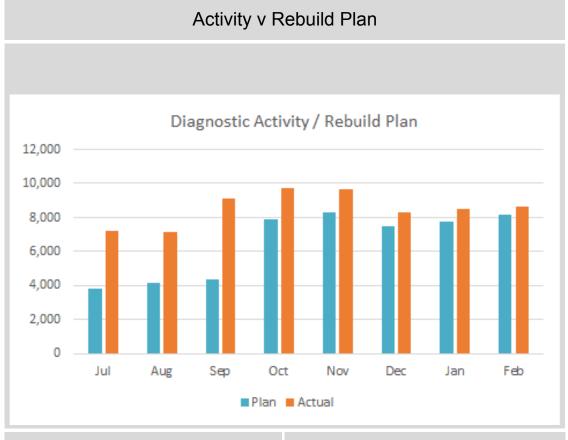
Inpatients and Daycases



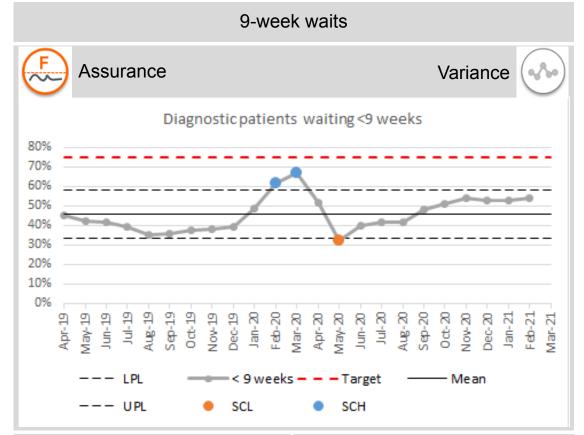


Diagnostics





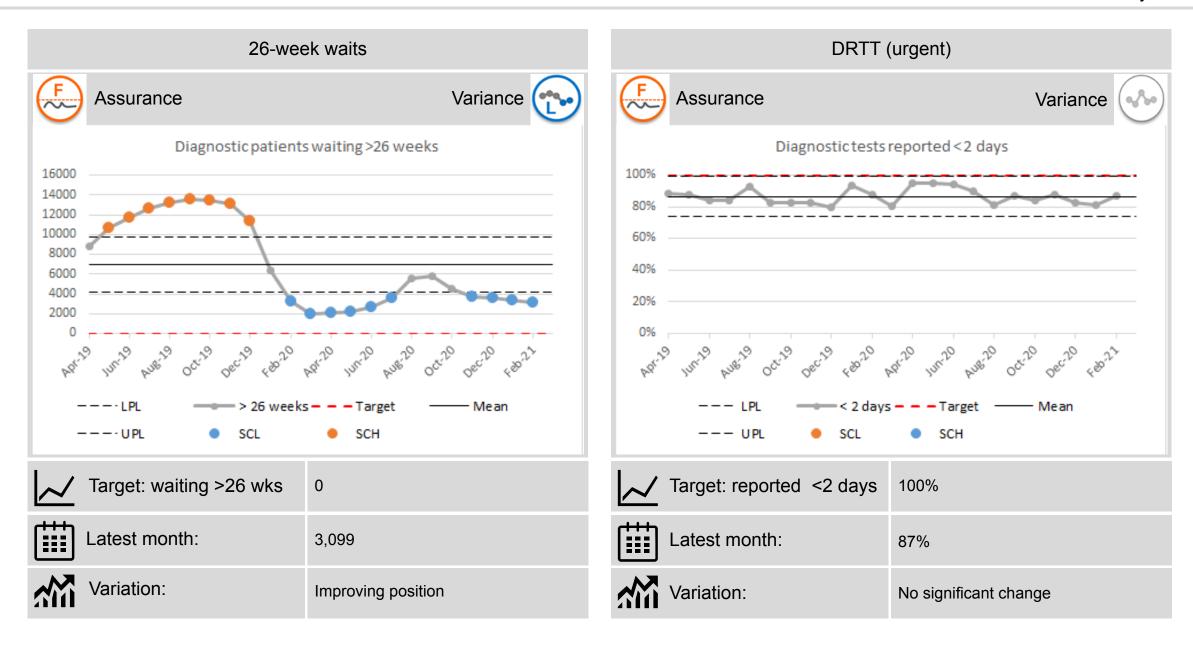
Activity this year:	68,259
Rebuild plan to date this year:	51,843
% delivery to date:	132%



Target: waiting <9 wks	75%
Latest month:	54%
Variation:	No significant change

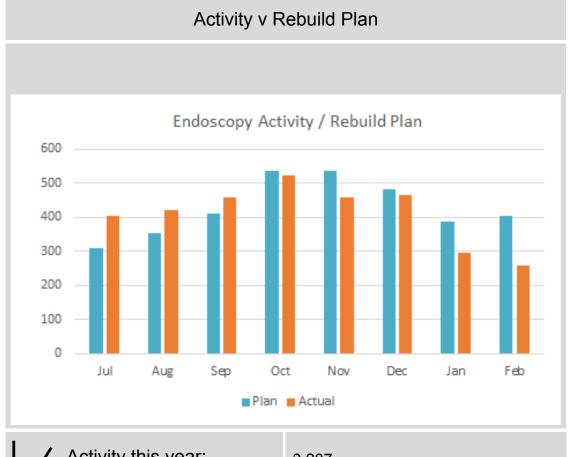
Diagnostics

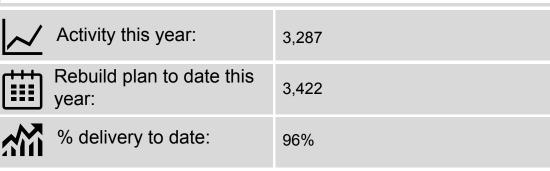


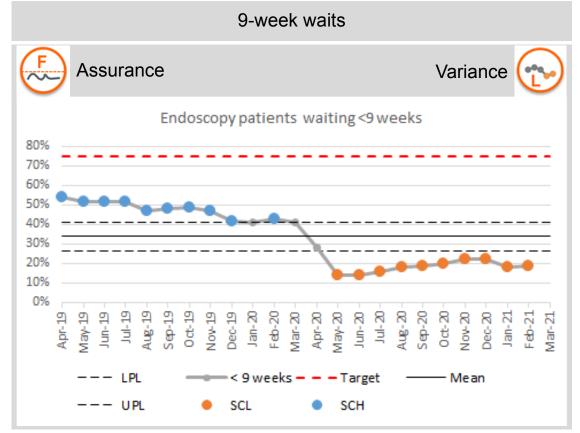


Diagnostics - Endoscopy





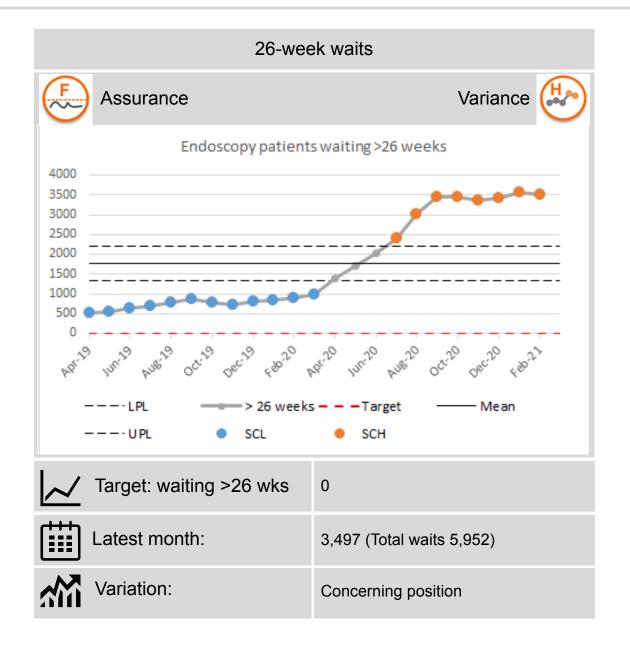




Target: waiting <9 wks	75%
Latest month:	19%
Variation:	Concerning position

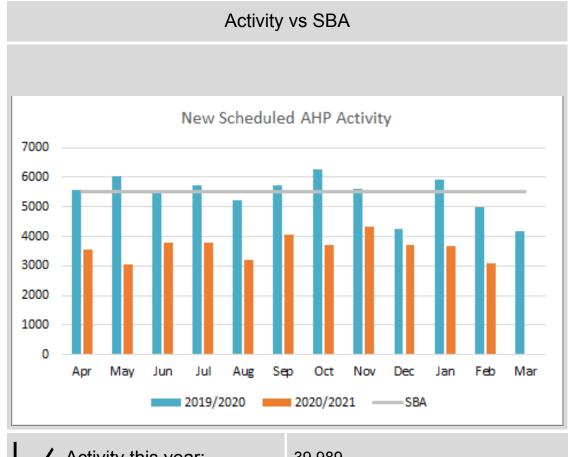
Diagnostics - Endoscopy





AHPs





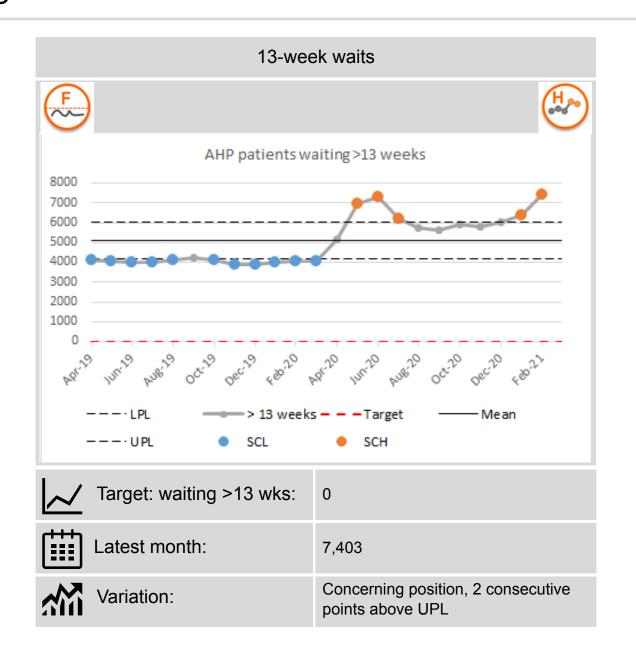
Activity this year:	39,989
SBA to date this year:	60,522
% delivery to date:	66%

Activity v Rebuild Plan				
AHP Elective New/Review Activity / Rebuild Plan				
25,000				
20,000				
15,000				
10,000				
5,000				
Jul Aug Sep Oct Nov Dec Jan Feb				
■ Plan ■ Actual				

Activity this year:	147,075
Rebuild plan to date this year:	132,895
% delivery to date:	111%

AHPs

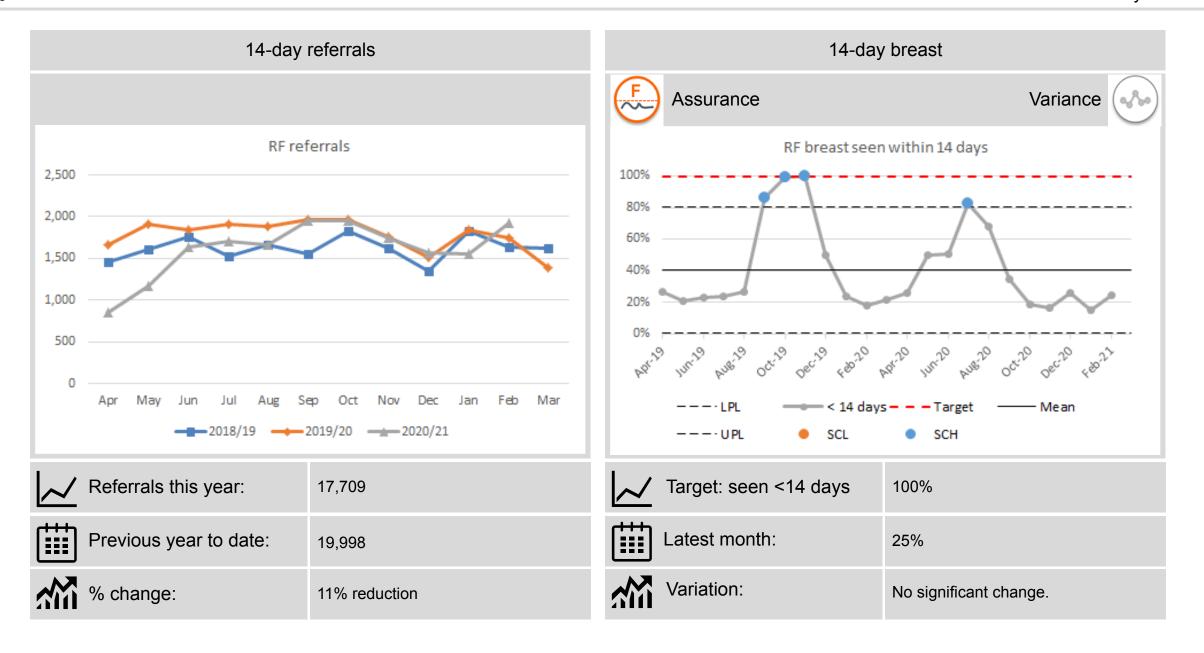




Cancer Care

14-day

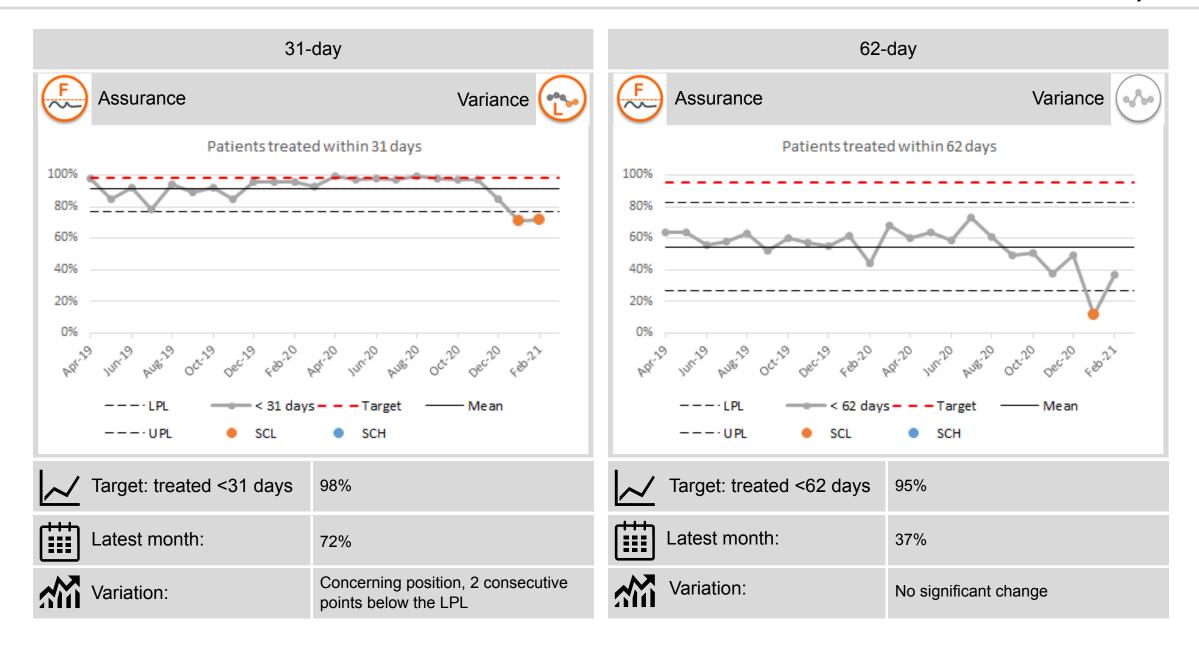




Cancer care

31-day and 62-day





Cancer care

62-day by tumour site



62-day

Cancer Services Reset (Phase 3 & 4)

	Year to date		
Tumour site	Total	< 62 days	% 62 days
Breast	153.0	111.0	73%
Gynae	42.5	20.0	47%
Haematological	36.5	28.5	78%
Head/Neck	10.0	3.0	30%
Lower Gastrointestinal	78.0	14.0	18%
Lung	26.5	12.0	45%
Other	7.5	1.5	20%
Skin	149.0	69.0	46%
Upper Gastrointestinal	31.5	13.0	41%
Total	534.5	272.0	51%

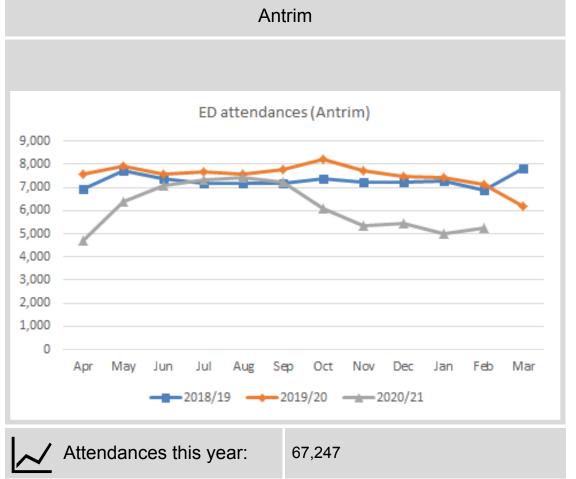
% Perfo	rmance
Oct - Feb	Oct - Fe

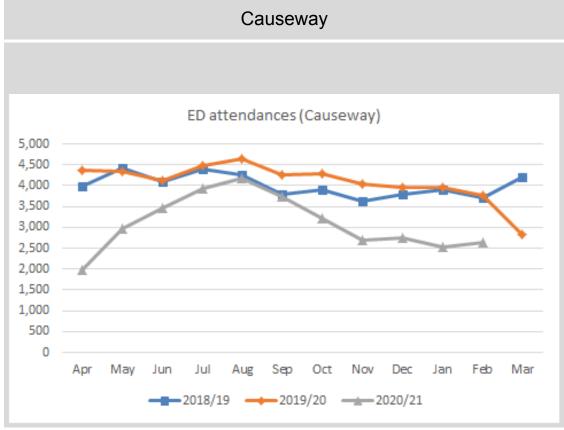
	Oct - Feb	Oct - Feb	Variance
Target	Plan	Actual	Variance
14 day	49%	20%	-29%
31 day	89%	82%	-7%
62 day	54%	38%	-16%

Target: treated <62 days	95%
Year to date:	51%

ED attendances







Attendances this year:	67,247
Previous year to date:	83,959
% change:	20% reduction



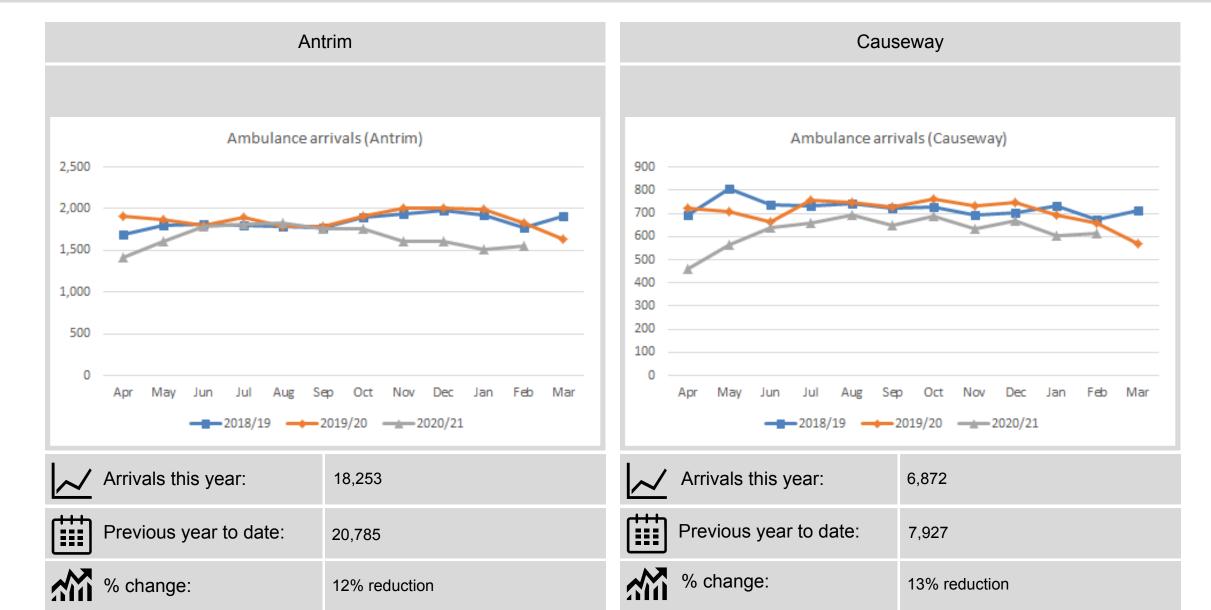
Over-75 attendances





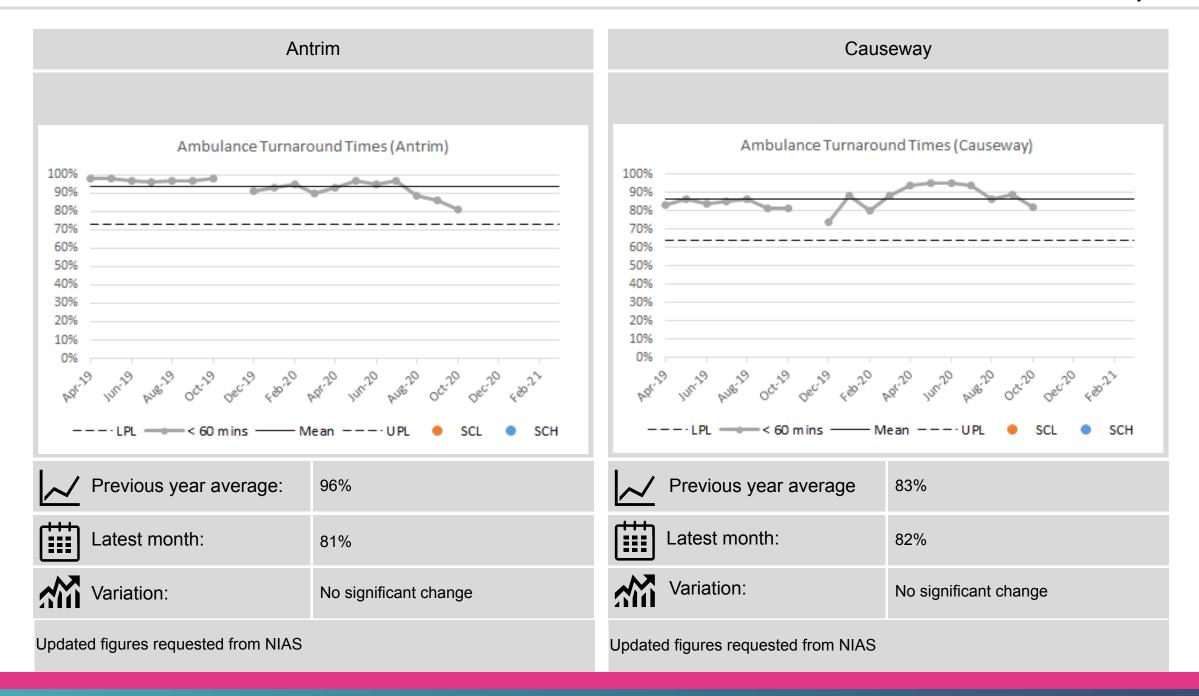
Ambulance arrivals





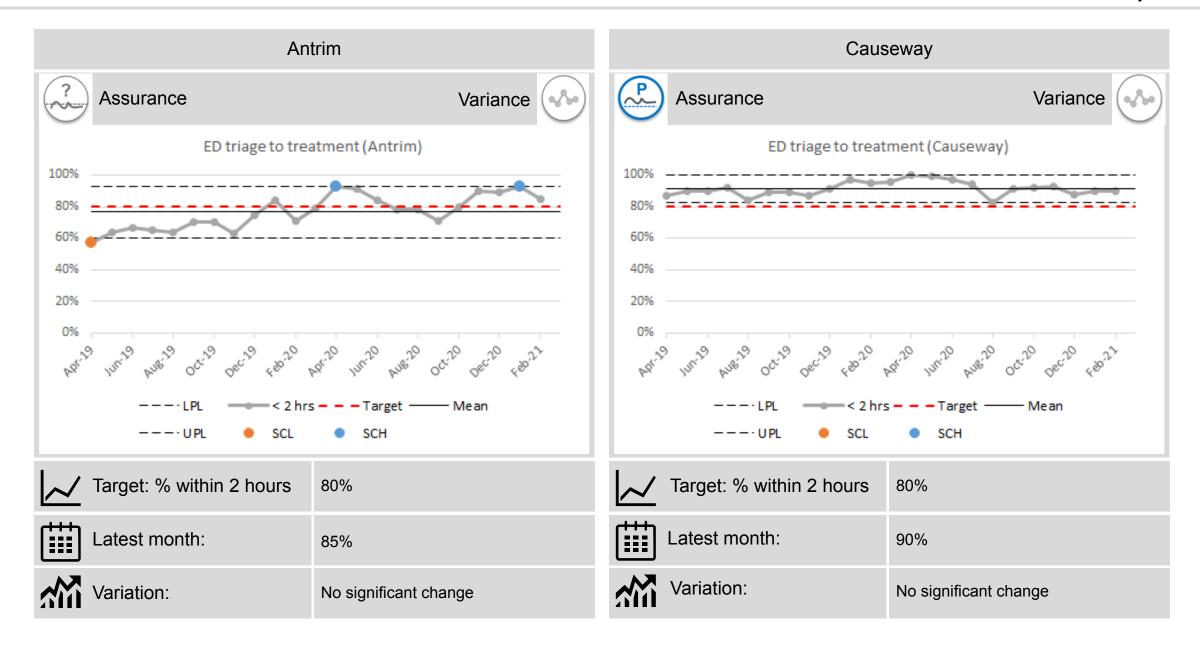
Ambulance turnaround within 60 minutes





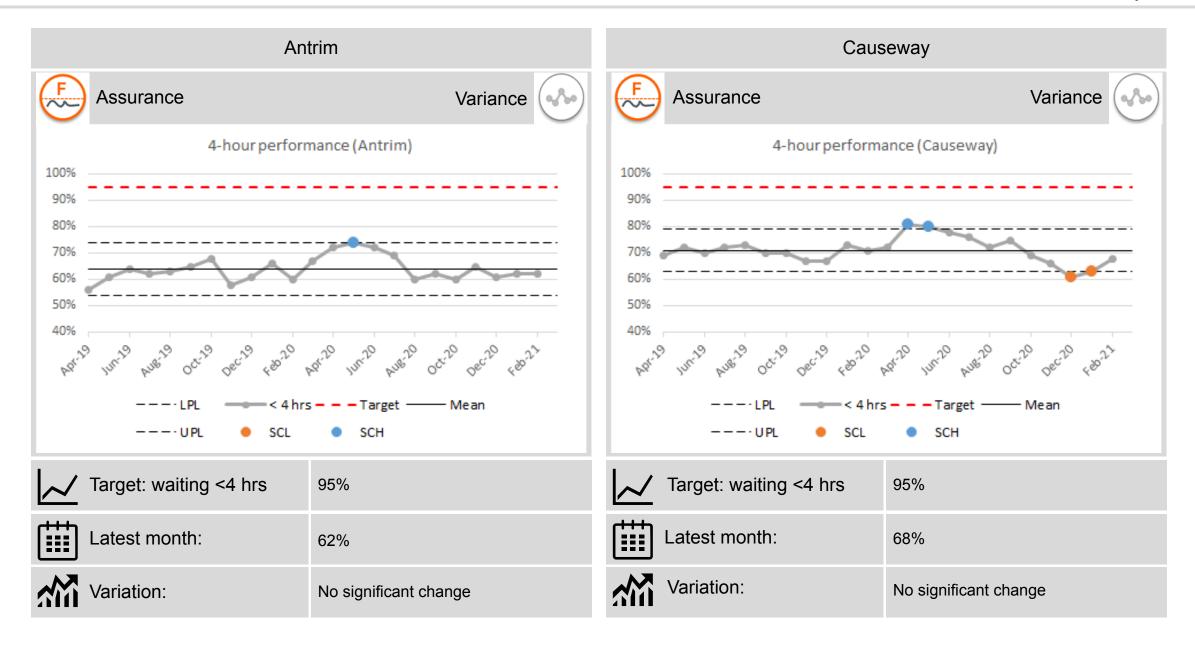
Triage to treatment





4-hour performance





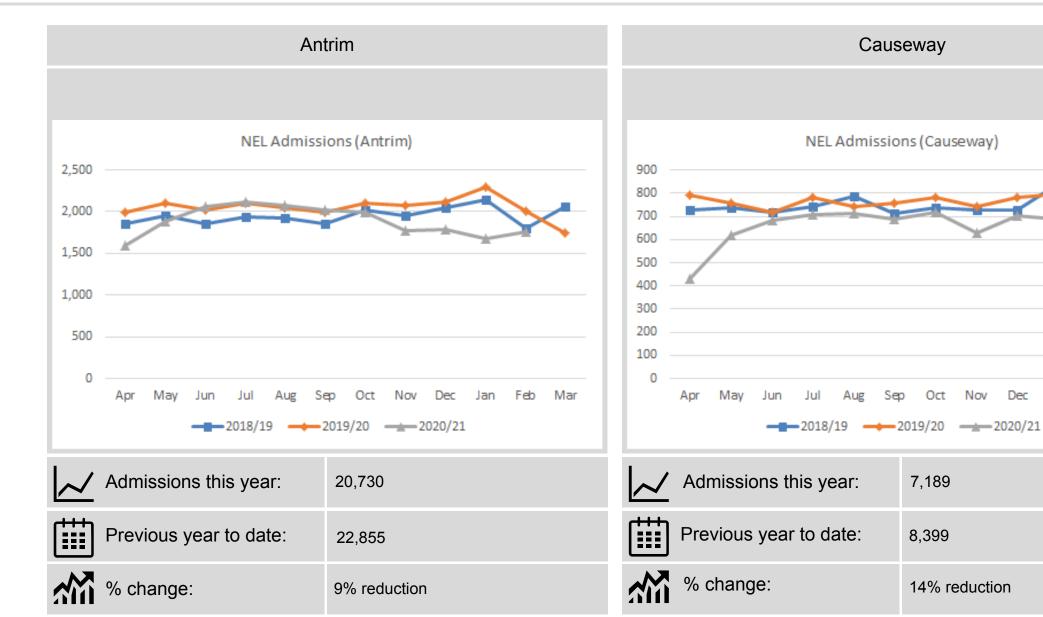
12-hour performance





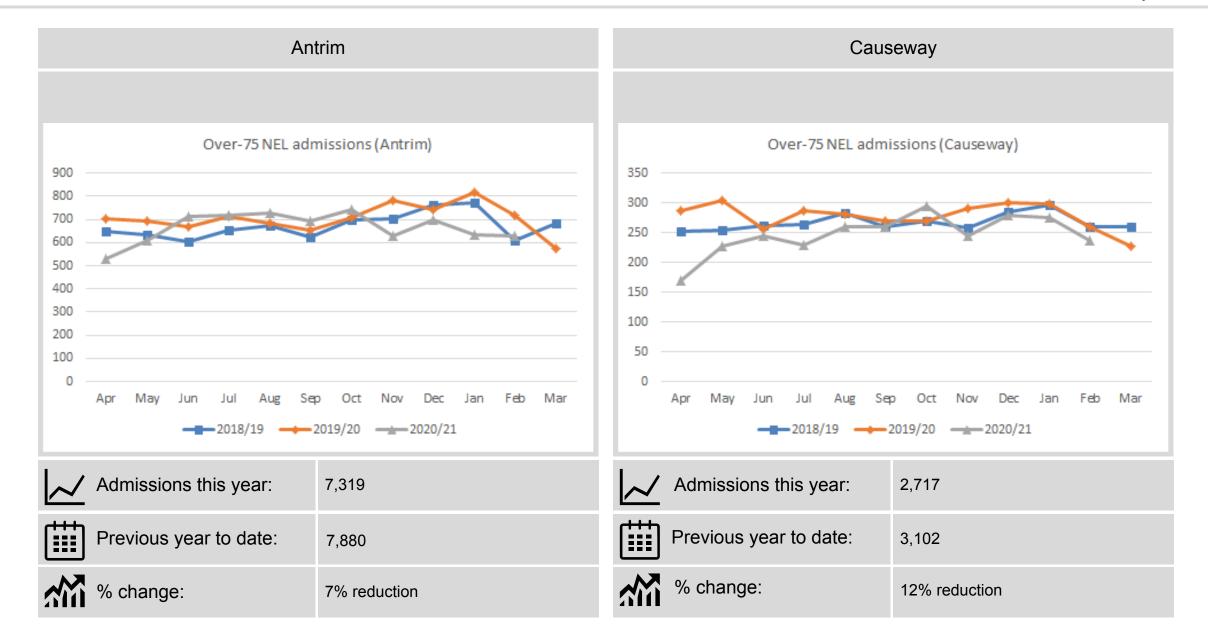
Non-elective admissions





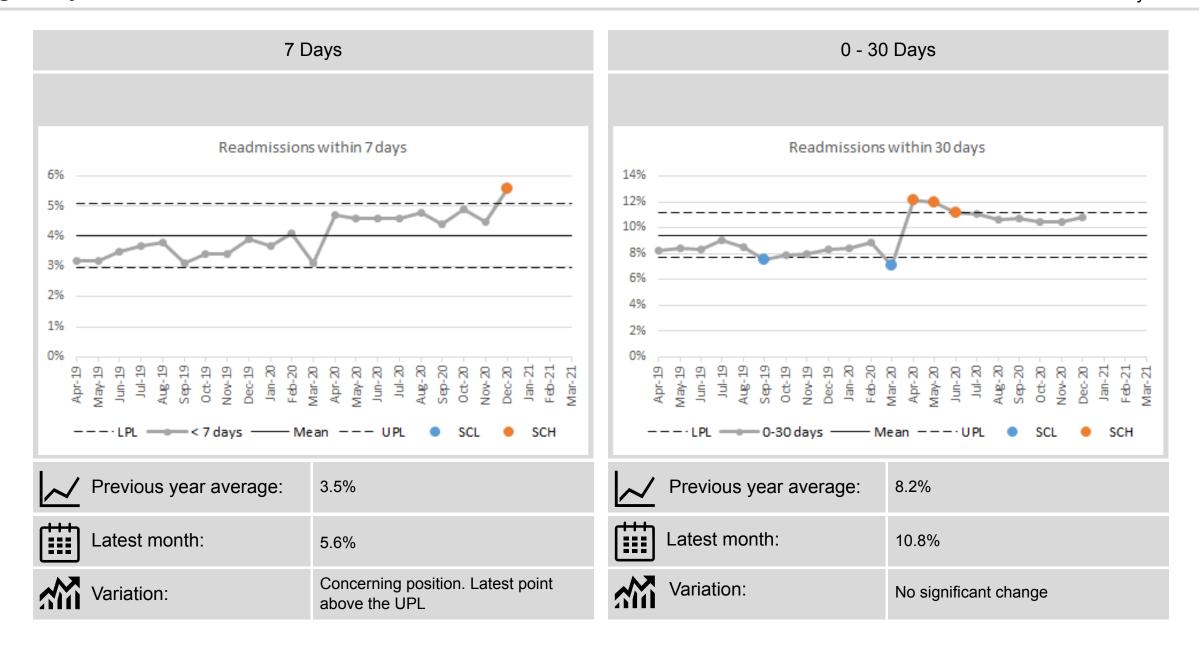
Over-75 admissions





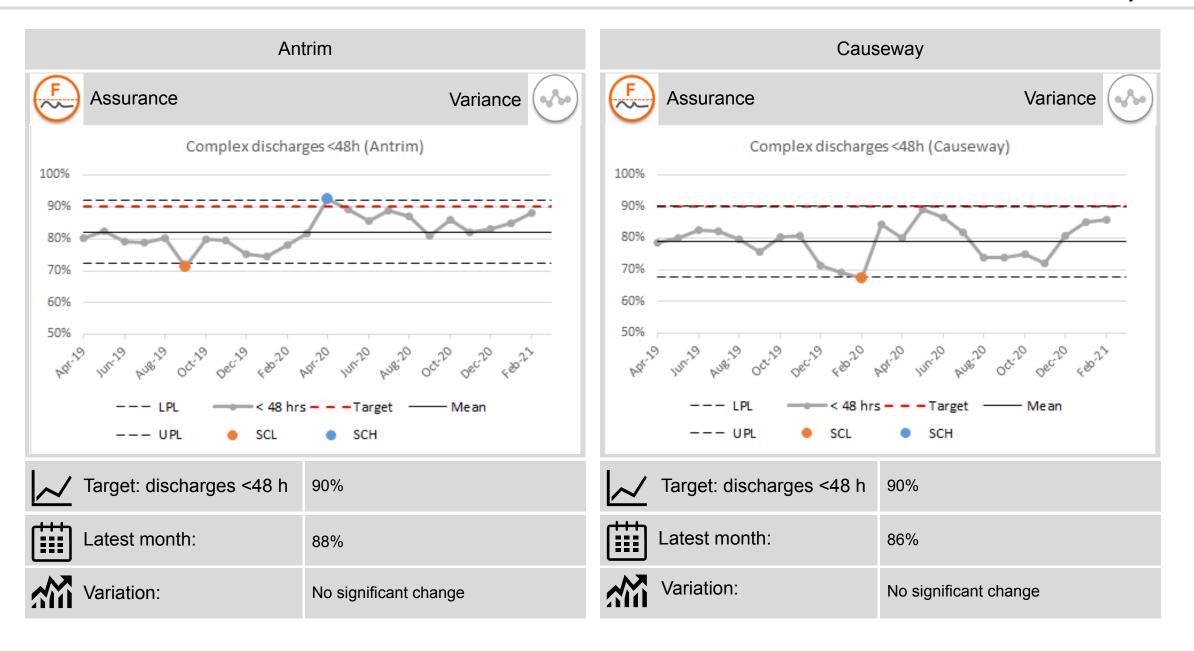
Emergency Readmissions





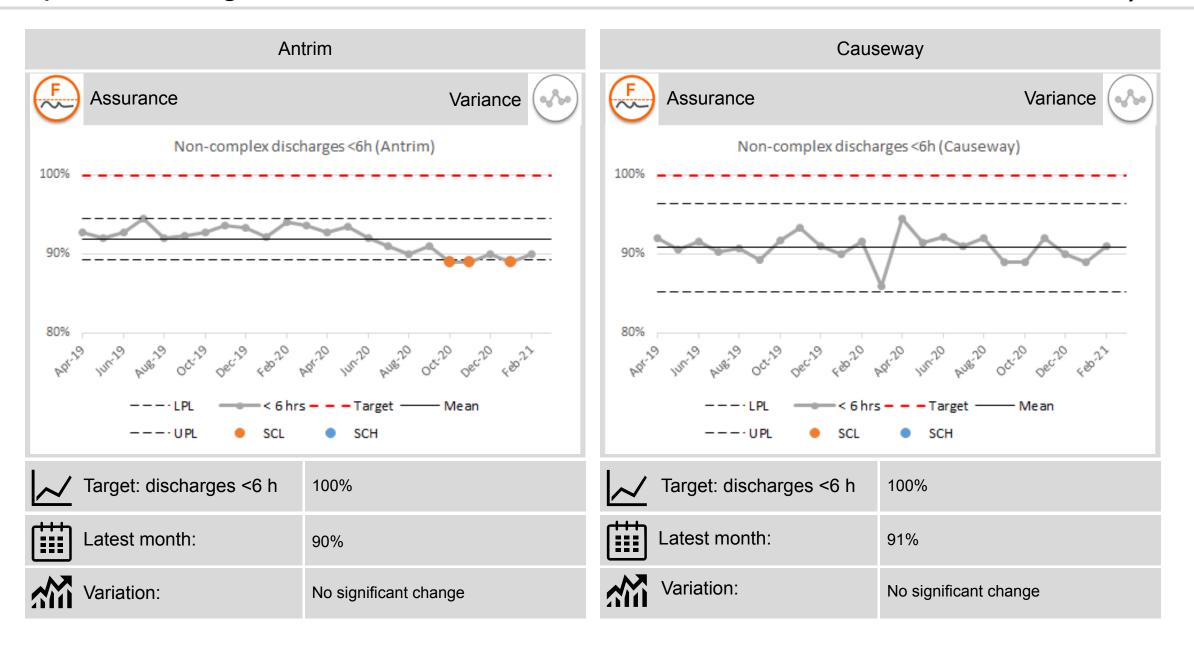
Complex discharges





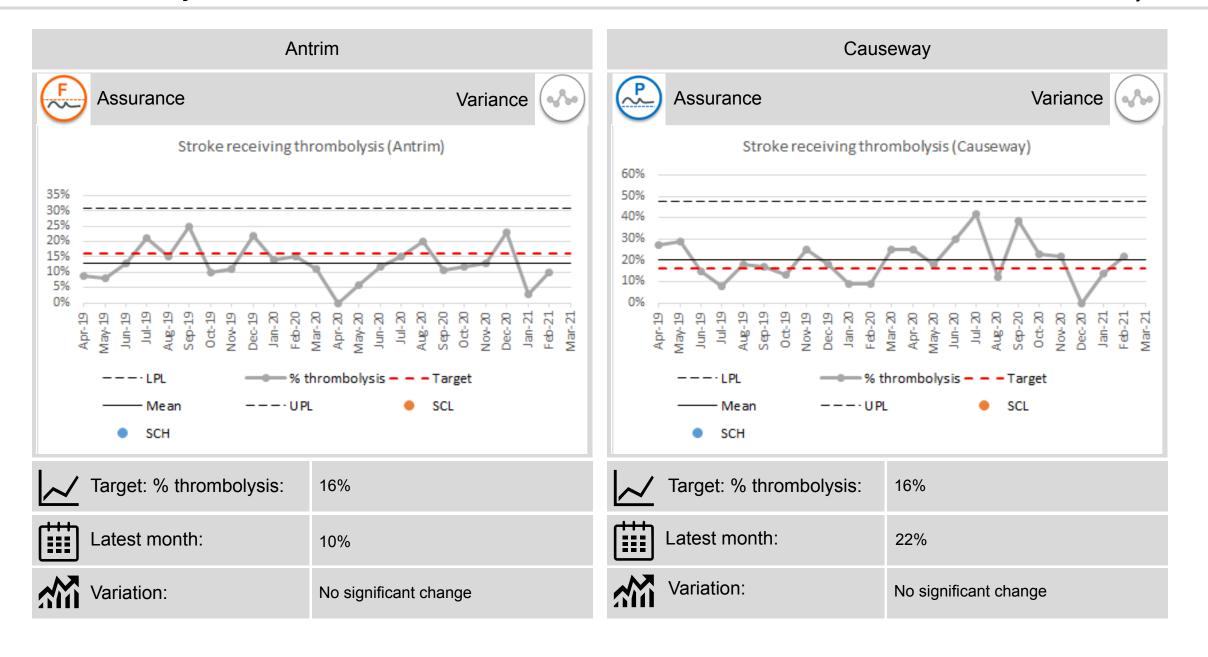
Non-complex discharges





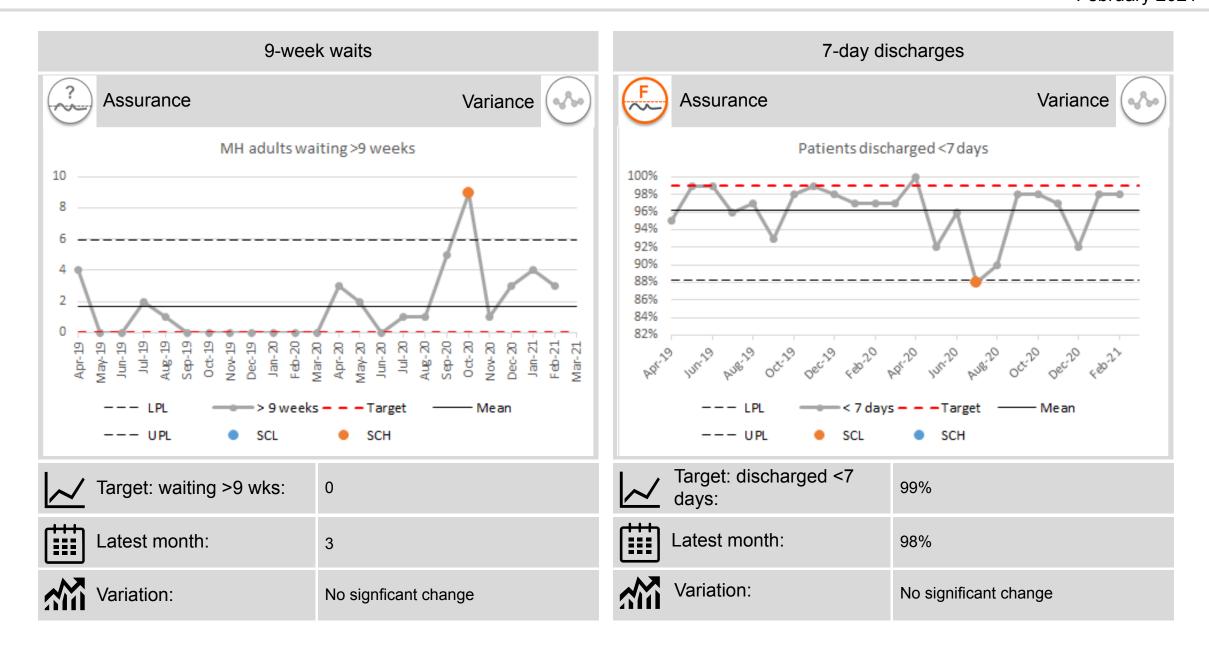
Stroke - Thrombolysis





Adult mental health services

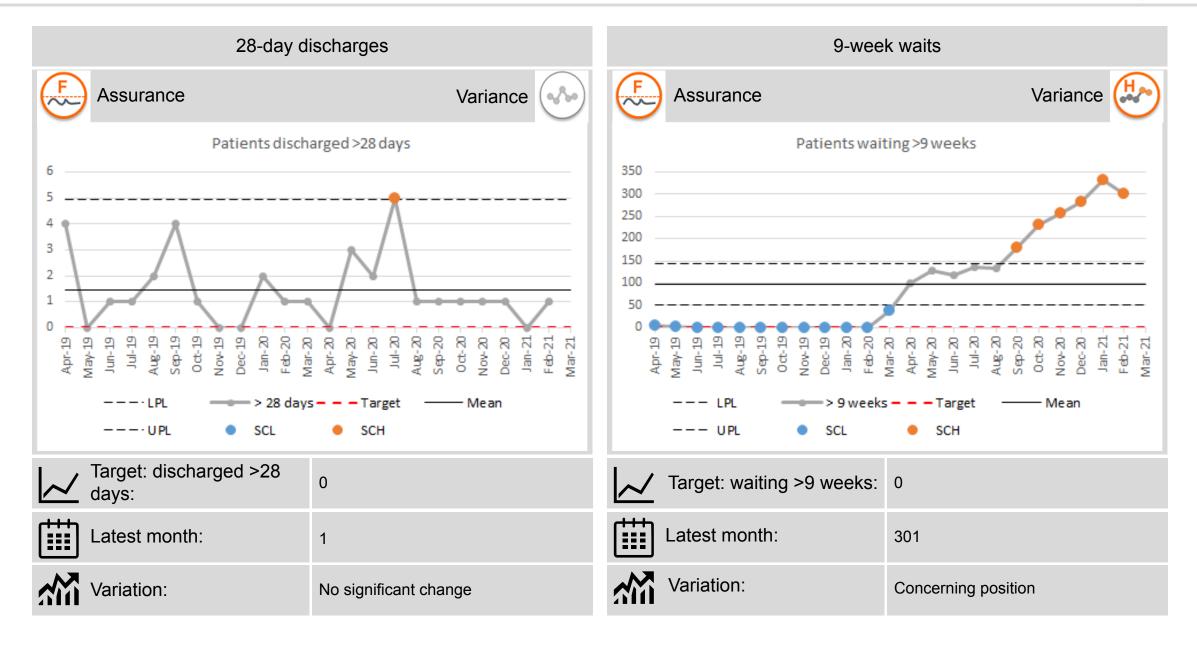




Adult mental health services

Dementia

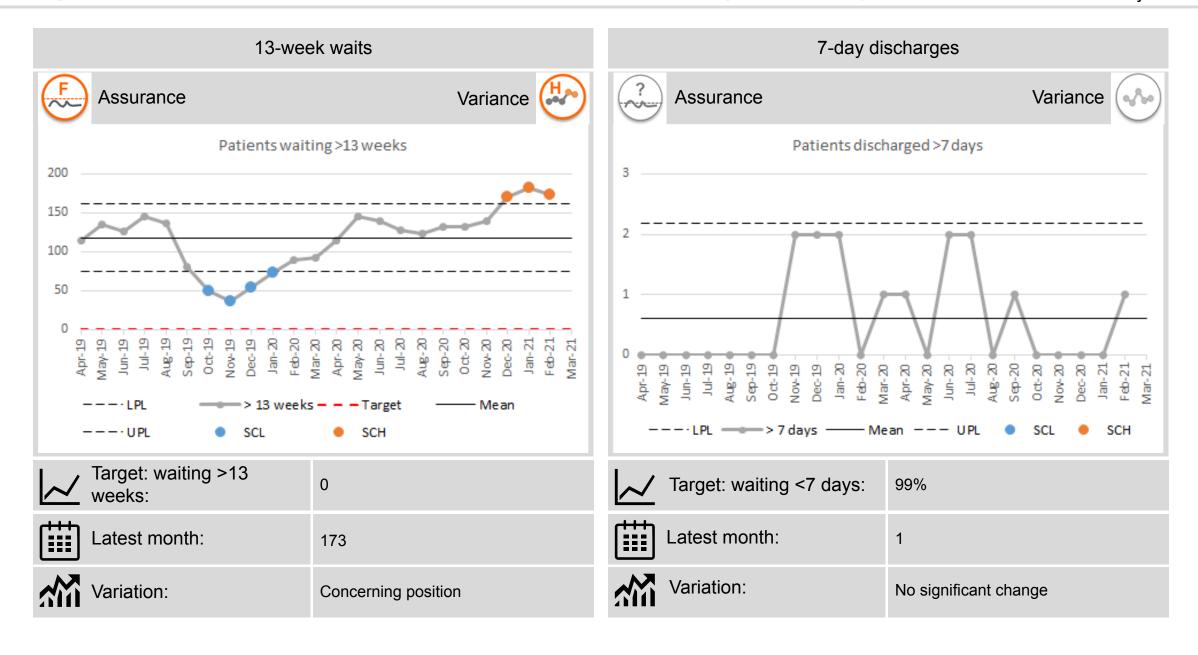




Psychological therapies

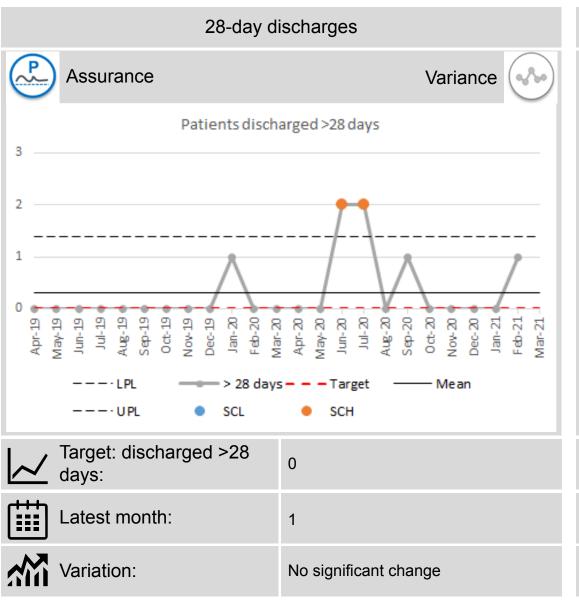
Learning disability

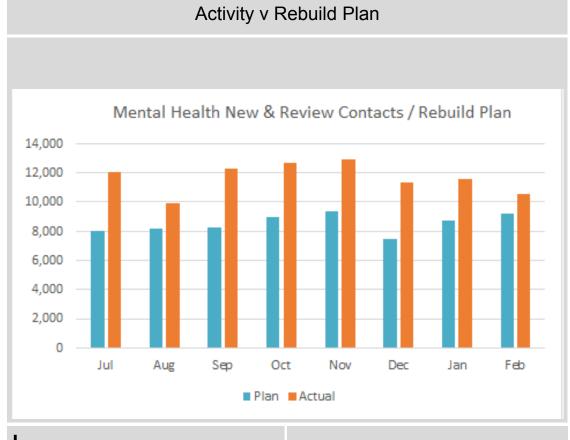




Learning disability



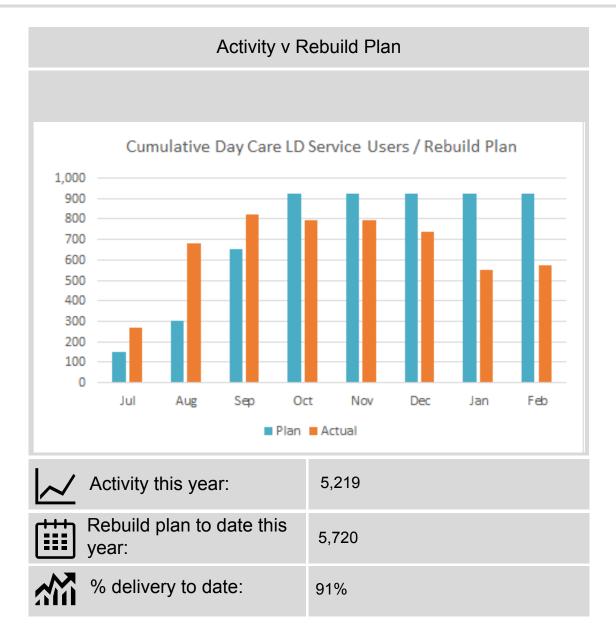




Activity this year:	93,372
Rebuild plan to date this year:	68,167
% delivery to date:	137%

Learning disability - Day Care

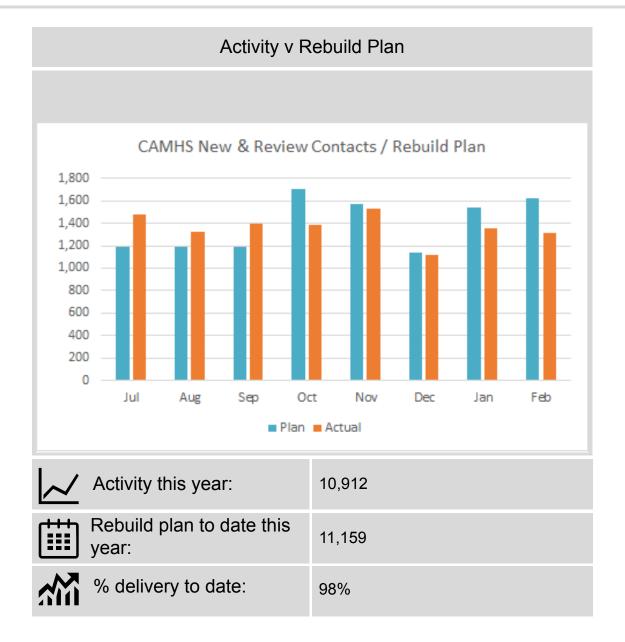


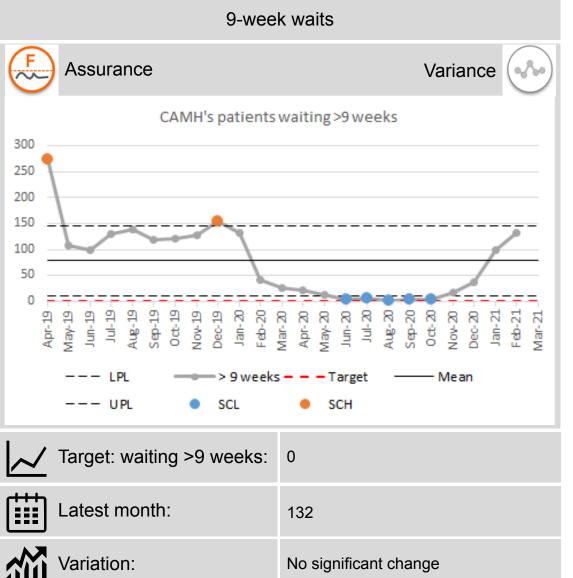


Children's services

CAMHS







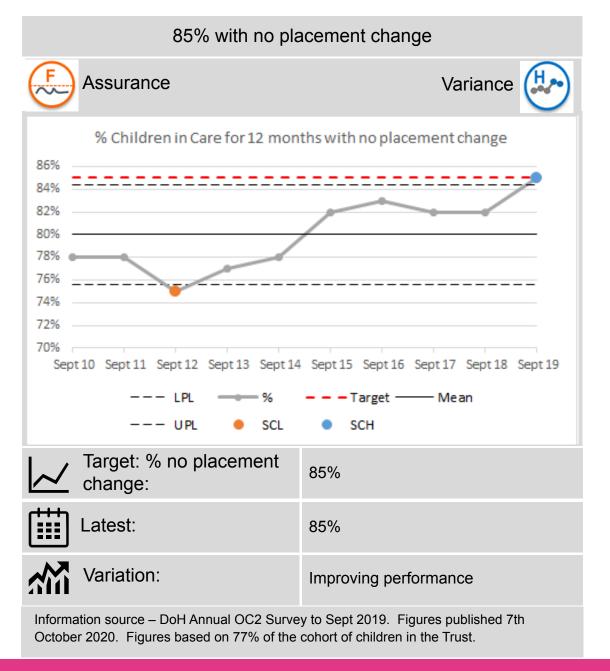
Children's services

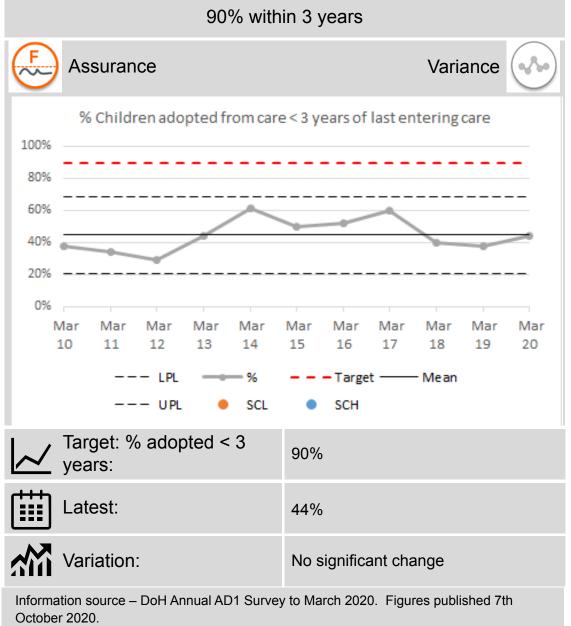
Placement change

Adoption



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Community Services

Direct payments

Carers' assessments



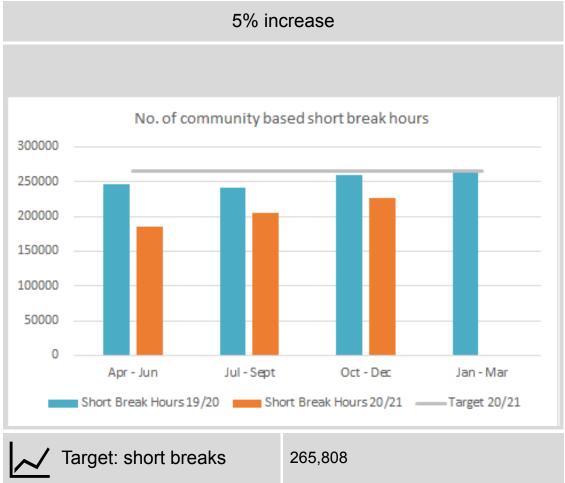


Community Services

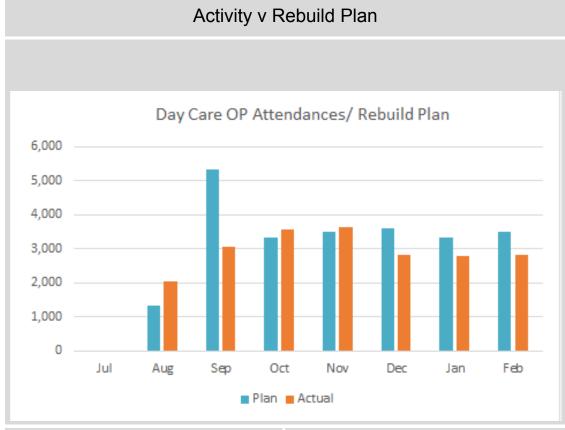
Short breaks

Day Care





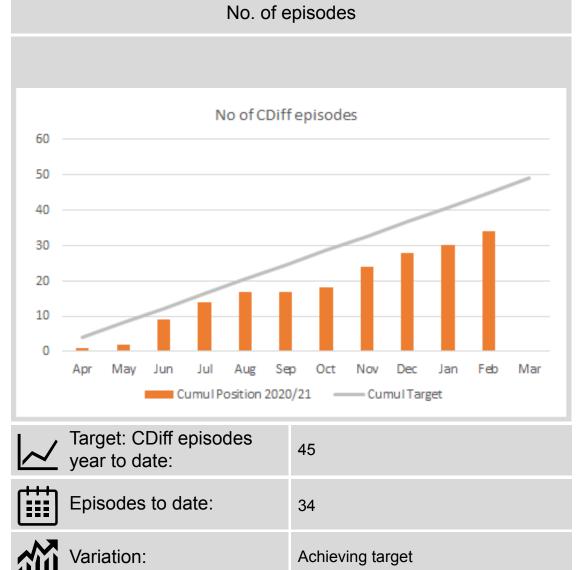
Short Break Hours 19/20 Sh	ort Break Hours 20/21 ——Target 20/21
Target: short breaks	265,808
Latest quarter:	226,384
% delivery:	85%



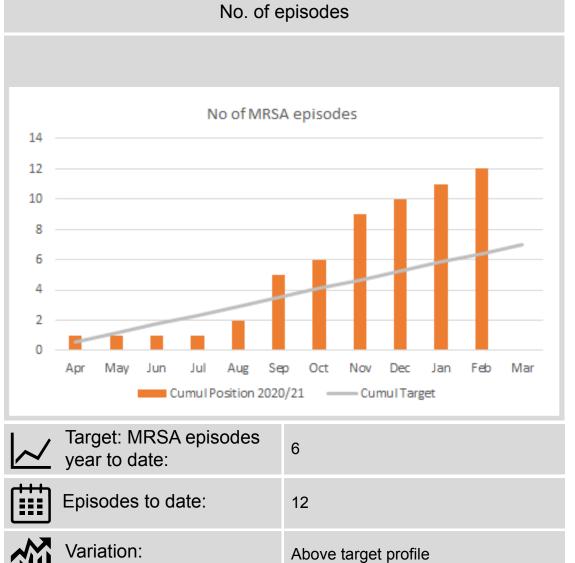
Activity this year:	20,758
Rebuild plan to date this year:	23,949
% delivery to date:	87%



MRSA

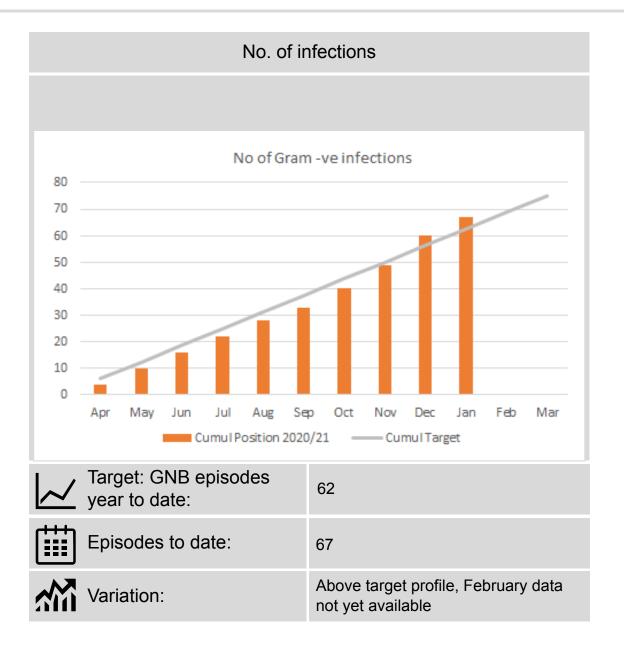


Achieving target





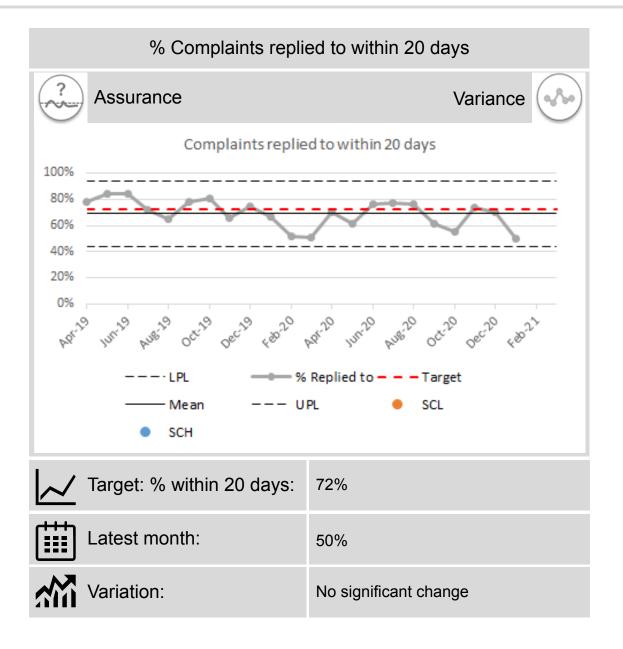




Service User Experience

Complaints





Workforce

Absence



