

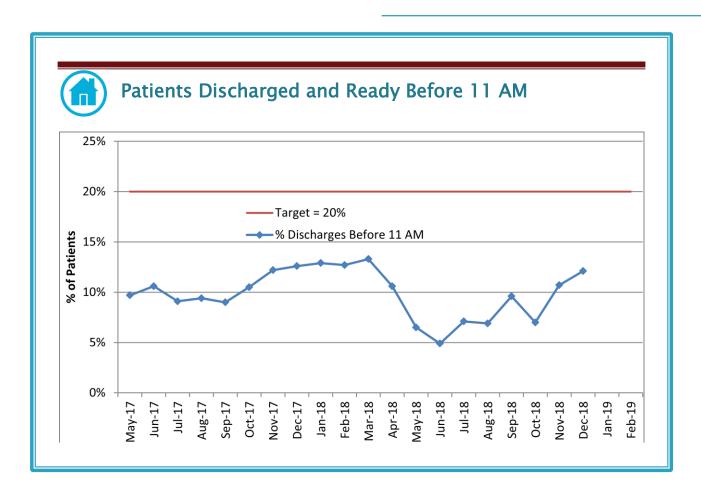


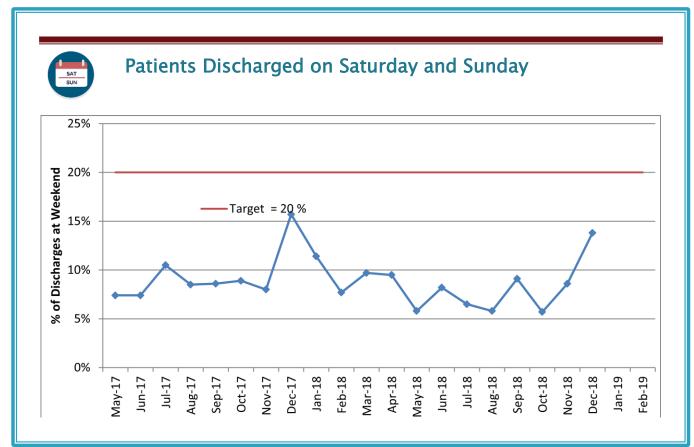
## What does this mean?

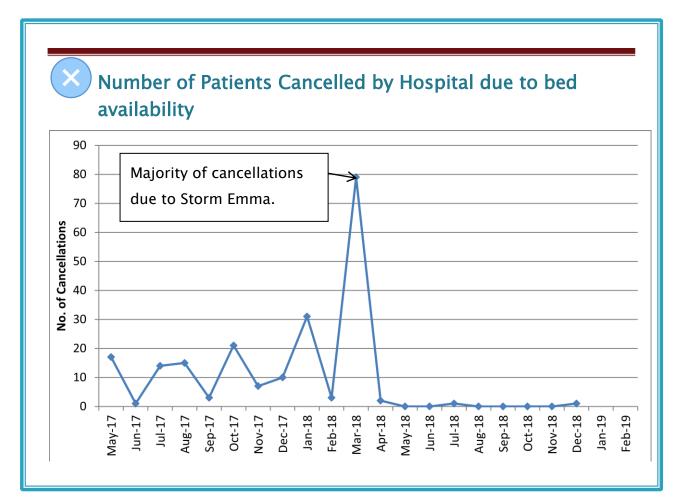
The aim of MUH is to get the right patient into the right bed for the right care. The numbers of patients waiting on a trolley for an inpatient bed is affected by the number of patients who are ready to be discharged to home with support or to a non-acute bed e.g. a nursing home or district hospital.

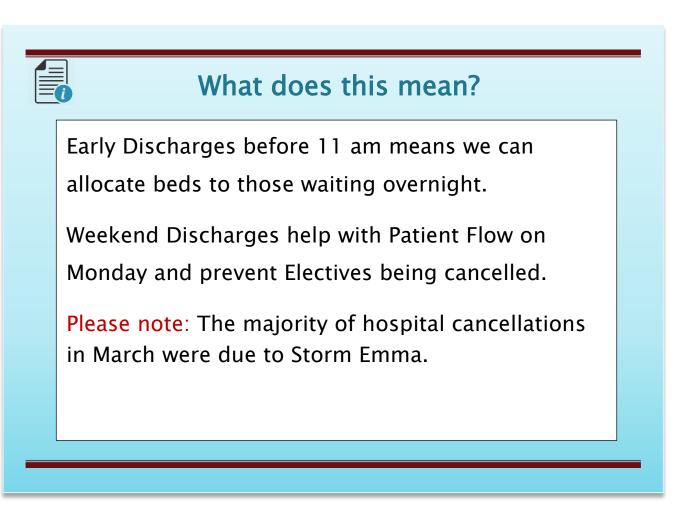
If a patient represents to MUH in an unplanned unexpected fashion within 30 days a review of the reasons will take place. MUH's aim is to prevent all avoidable re-admissions.

Please Note: Bed Days Lost as a result of delayed discharges was adversely affected as a result of the knock-on effects of Storm Emma in March.



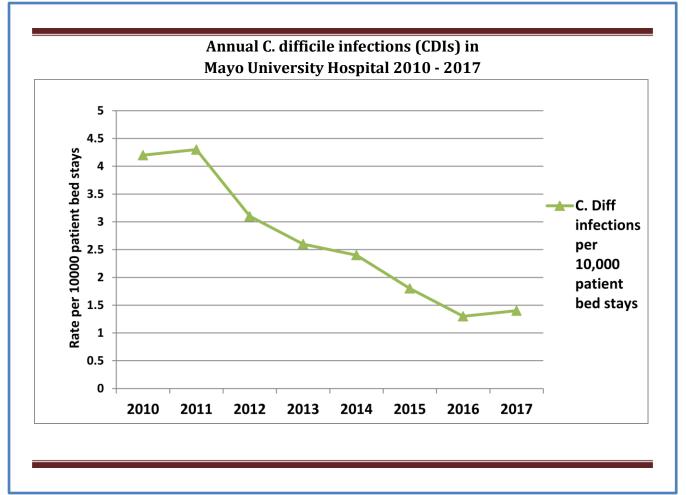


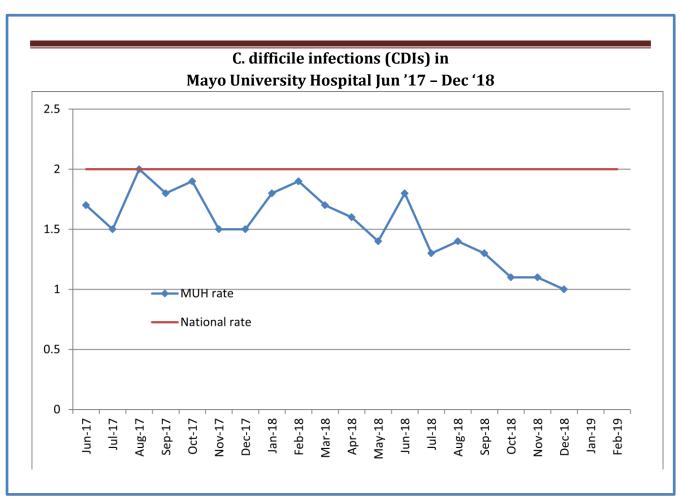




## **Reducing Clostridium Difficile infections in Mayo University**

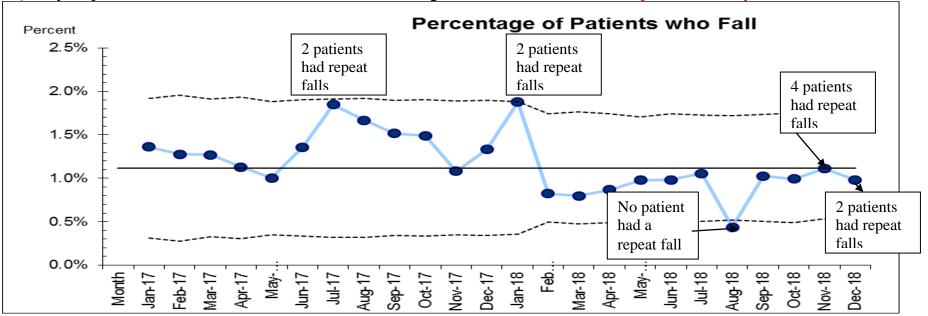
**Hospital Updated January 2019** 





Quality Improvement in Falls Prevention and The Management of Fallen Patients- updated January 2019

This chart shows the percentage of falls in relation to patients discharged from MUH We have a high rate of over 65 year old patients admitted to MUH and this correlates with the increasing age profile of the population of patients we care for.







### What does this mean?

#### What is a fall?

A fall is defined as an event which results in a person coming to rest inadvertently on the ground or floor or other lower level.

#### Harm caused

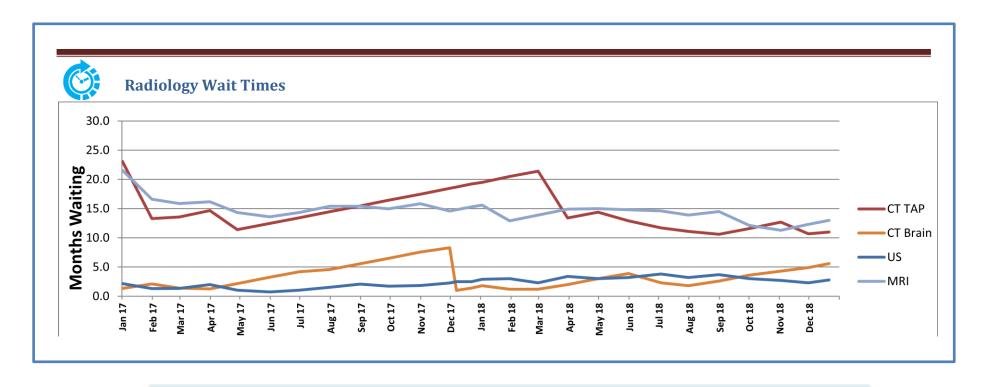
In December 2018, there were 2 patients that were predisposed to falls due to pre-existing medical complaints. A comprehensive care plan was put in place for these patients and there was no serious physical harm. The patients did have minor injuries. Immediate care was given to these patients. A falls review was undertaken to identify any contributory factors, and actions were taken.

#### **Actions we have implemented**

Policy on identification, assessment, prevention and management of patient falls, New falls assessment, care plan and bed rail risk assessment; Purchased ultra-low beds, one in each of the main clinical areas and falls prevention alarms; The Red Star initiative to identify patients at risk of falling; Information leaflet for health care worker; The actions to take when a patient falls are included in MUH patient safety book; Education on correct use of seating to prevent falls; Multidisciplinary MUH Falls Education DVD.

# FALLS - HOW TO PROTECT YOURSELF







## What does this mean?

Targeted CT & MRI lists on the longest waiting patients have realised some significant reductions in longest wait times in recent months.

It is planned to continue these targeted lists throughout 2019 in order to further reduce the longest wait times.