

Day Surgery, Short Stay Surgery, Fast Track – What have we Accomplished ?

Effective and Safe Pathways

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Excellence in short stay surgery



Unintended Consequences



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How Do We Measure Success in Ambulatory Surgery?

Key Performance Indicators

- Unplanned overnight admissions
- Re-admission rates
- Post-operative GP visits
- Length of stay
- Satisfaction questionnaires
- Index Procedures

Mattila K et al. Day Surgery in Finland: a prospective cohort study of 14 day-surgery units
Acta Anaesthesiol Scand 2009 53(4):455-63
Lemos P, Barros F. Outcome Measures
In: Day Case Surgery (Eds Smith I, McWhinnie D, Jackson)
pp335-43 OUP Oxford 2012

Audit Commission Basket of Procedures 1990

Inguinal Hernia Repair

Excision Breast Lump

Anal Fissure Excision

Varicose Vein Surgery

Cystoscopy

Circumcision

Excision of Dupuytren's
Contracture

Carpal Tunnel Decompression

Arthroscopy

Excision of Ganglion

Cataract Extraction

Squint Correction

Myringotomy

Sub Mucus Resection

Reduction of Nasal Fractures

Bat Ear Correction

D&C

Laparoscopy+/- Sterilisation

Termination of Pregnancy

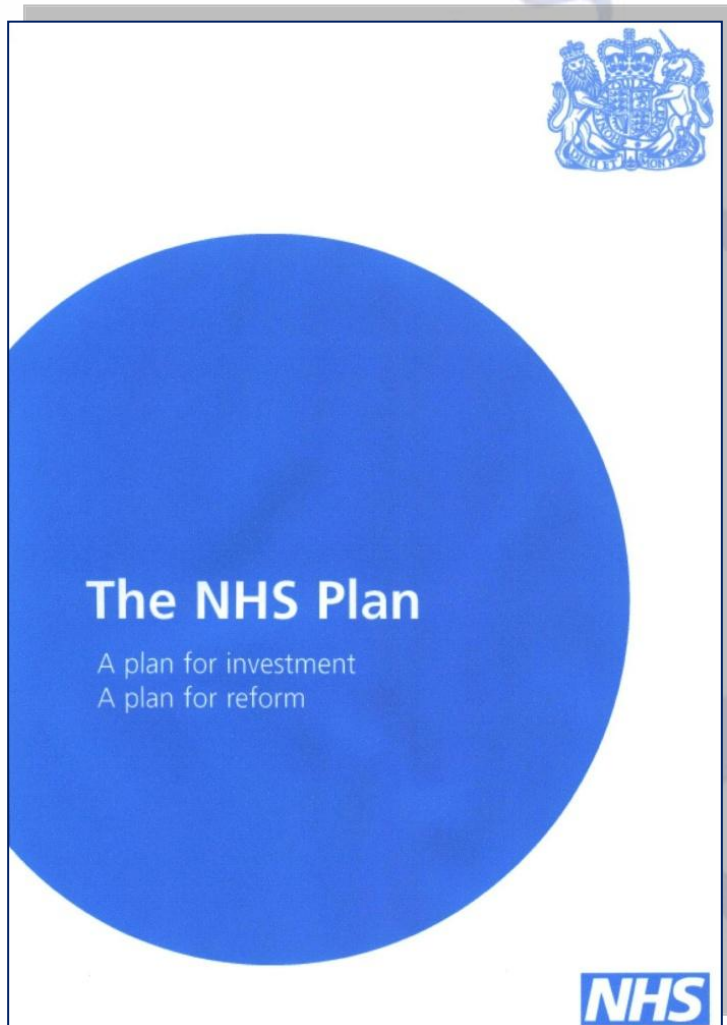
Orchidopexy

Audit Commission's Basket of Procedures 2000

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Bunion Operations
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SMR
Termination of pregnancy

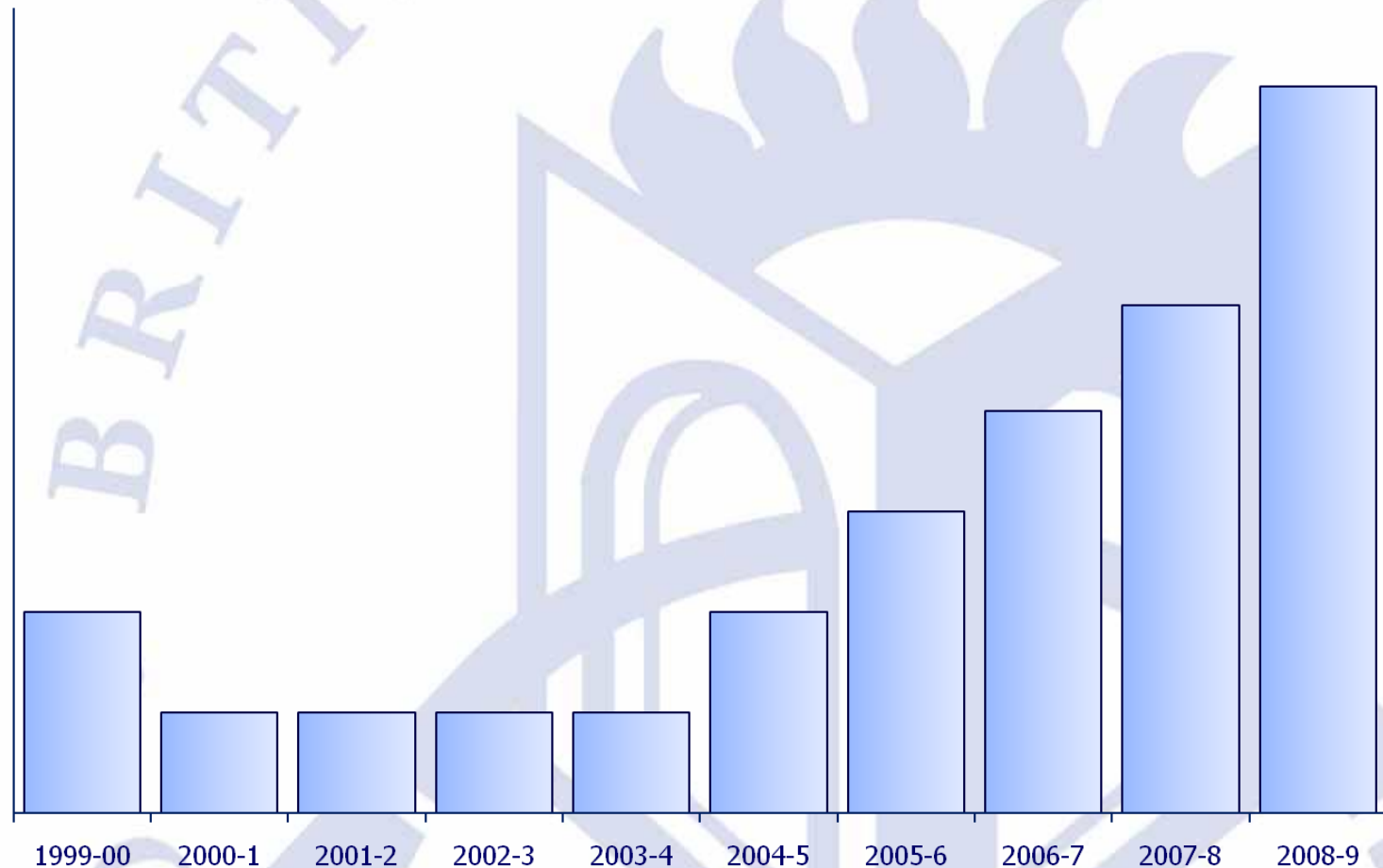
75% of elective procedures to be performed
on a day case basis by 2005/6



Tony Blair

White Paper, 2000

“The NHS Plan envisages that 75% of all Elective Surgery will be carried out as a day case in the near future”



But.....

These data include 'diagnostics' and
non-surgical interventions

Endoscopy

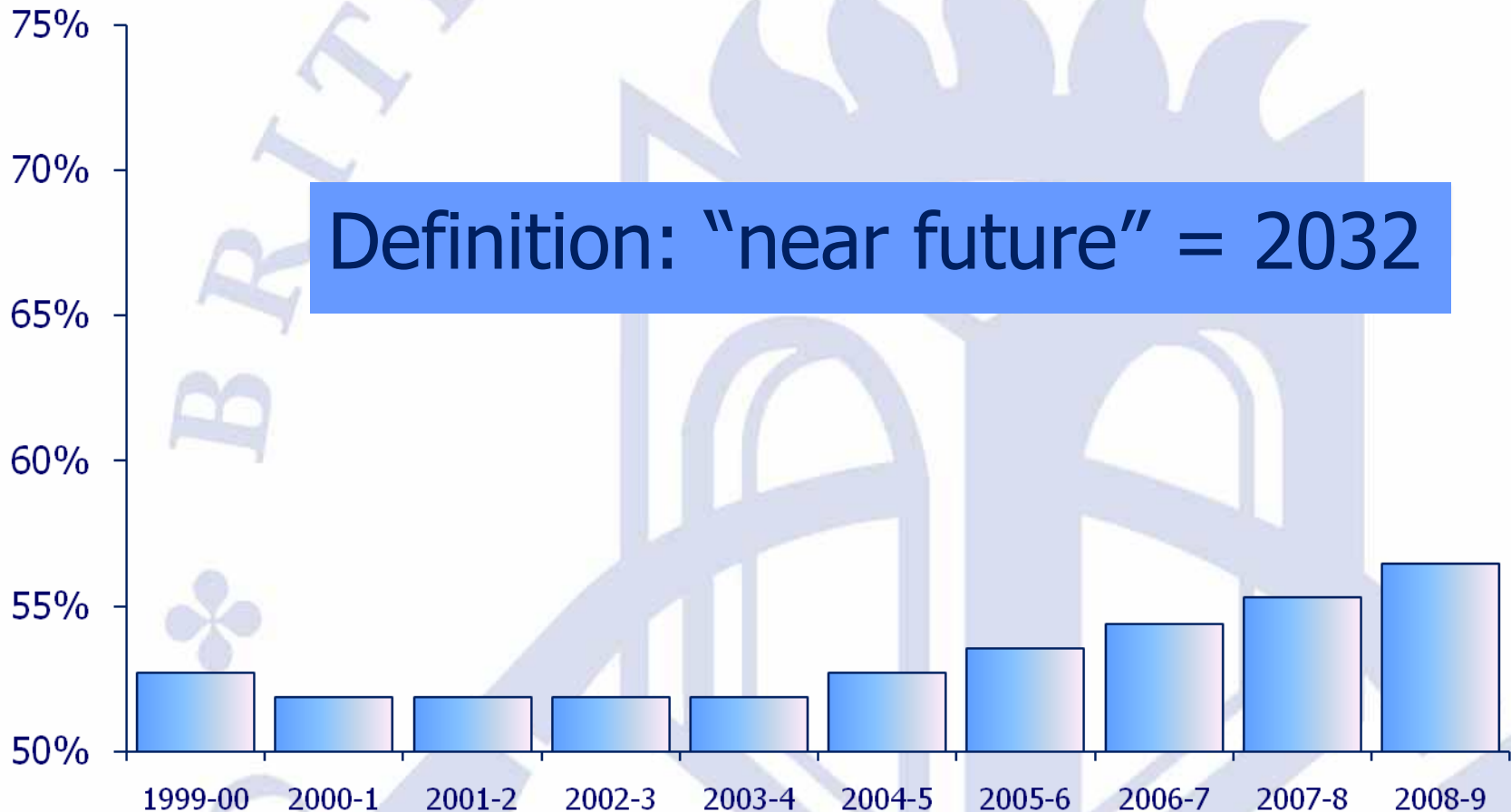
- Bronchoscopy
- Colonoscopy
- Cystoscopy
- OGD
- Sigmoidoscopy

Out-Patients

- Blood Transfusion
- Chemotherapy
- Colposcopy
- Hysteroscopy
- Pain Management
- Urodynamic Tests

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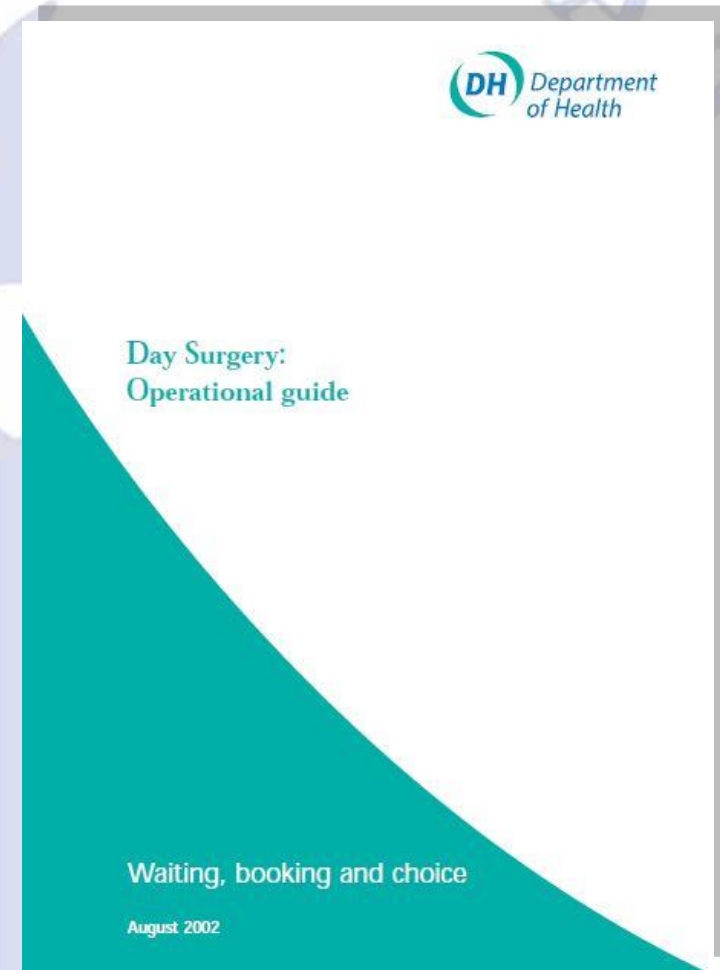
Definition: “near future” = 2032



Day Surgery Pathway

“Day surgery is the admission of *selected* patients to hospital for a *planned* surgical procedure, returning home on the same day.

Day Surgery:Operational Guide. DoH,
London,2002



23 Hour Surgery

Ambulatory Surgery:

“any patient treated in a designated facility by designated staff, and discharged, within 24 hours of admission”

Jackson, I. & McWhinnie, D.
J. One-Day Surgery 2002; 12:5

23 Hour and Short Stay Case Mix

- Co-factor exclusion from day surgery
- New day surgery procedures
- Emerging surgical procedures
- Inpatient conversion to 23 hr stay



Varicose Vein Surgery

	1998	1999
	Pre - 23 hr	Post - 23 hr
Day Surgery	56%	31%
23hr	-	59%
In-patient	44%	10%

Problems with index procedures

“Basket Problems”

- Only 12% of Hospitals perform >75% of the basket
- Tonsils vs Cataracts
- The Basket represents only 30% of all Day Surgery activity
- No recognition of the Short Stay Pathway
- No recognition for innovation

Short Stay Equation

Scenario I

- 100 Laparoscopic Cholecystectomies
 - 50 Day Cases
 - 30 Overnight Admission
 - 20 Two Night Admission
- Total **70** Inpatient Bed Days

Scenario II

- 100 Laparoscopic Cholecystectomies
 - 40 Day Cases
 - 50 Overnight Admission
 - 10 Two Night Admission
- * Total **60** Inpatient Bed Days

Day Case Nephrectomy

Day Case Surgery is World First

Without realising it until after the event, one of our surgeons recently performed the world's first laparoscopic nephrectomy (the removal of a kidney by keyhole surgery) as a day case operation.

The keyhole operation was first performed in 1991 and has since become common practice, but has normally involved a two or three day stay in hospital. On this occasion, however, the operation went very well as normal, but the patient recovered so quickly and was so keen to go home the same day that the surgeon, Anurag Golash, agreed.



Photograph courtesy of The Sentinel

Day
Pat

DAY CASE AUDLT TONSILLECTOMY _ IS IT SAFE ?

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Department
Glas

Study de
clinical tria
inpatient



King's

King's College Hospital 
NHS Foundation Trust

Laparoscopic Gastric Banding for Morbid Obesity in The Day Surgical Setting



MF Dunsire, AG Patel, N Awad, T
Whitfield, G Allan, T Livingstone



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Surgical Sub-specialties

Breast Surgery

ENT

General Surgery

Gynaecology

Head and Neck Surgery

Ophthalmology

Orthopaedics

Paediatric Surgery

Urology

Vascular

Emergency Surgery

Medical Procedures



10 sub-specialties
> 180 procedures

BADS Directory 4th Edition (2012)

Table 1 Definition of lengths of stay in Directory

Procedure Room	An operation that can be performed in a suitably clean area outside an operating theatre. The varying complexity of such procedures may require the commissioning of a specific environment and equipment beyond the expectation of a standard outpatient room (eg endoscopy or outpatient hysteroscopy suites).
Zero night stay	Patient admission, treatment and discharge occurring on the same calendar day. National definitions of Day Surgery also include the mandate that such care should be intentionally pre-planned.
One night stay	Patient admission, treatment and discharge occurring over two consecutive days.
Two night stay	Patient admission, treatment and discharge occurring over three consecutive days.

General Surgery

Description	Procedure Room	Zero night stay	One night stay	Two night stay	Include					Exclude		
Adrenalectomy – unilateral (laparoscopic)		10	70	20	B22.3 +Y75.2							
Diagnostic laparoscopy		85	15		J09	T43	J73.8	J73.9	J51.8	J51.9	J73.1	J53.1
Laparoscopic cholecystectomy		60	30	10	J18.1 +Y75.2	J18.3 +Y75.2					J18.2	
Laparoscopic splenectomy		5	35	60	J69.2 +Y75.2	J69.3 +Y75.2	J69.8 +Y75.2	J69.9 +Y75.2			J69.1	
Primary repair of inguinal hernia		95	5		T20							
Repair of recurrent inguinal hernia		70	30		T21							
Primary repair of femoral hernia		90	10		T22							
Repair of umbilical hernia		85	15		T24						T24.4	
Laparoscopic repair of incisional hernia		40	50	10	T25 +Y75.2							
Open repair of incisional hernia		30	50	20	T25							
Repair of other abdominal hernia		85	10	5	T27							
Repair of rectal mucosal prolapse		10	50	40	H42.1	H42.5	H42.6	H42.8	H42.9			
Laparoscopic gastric banding		20	45	35	G30.3 +Y75.2							

NHS Reimbursement

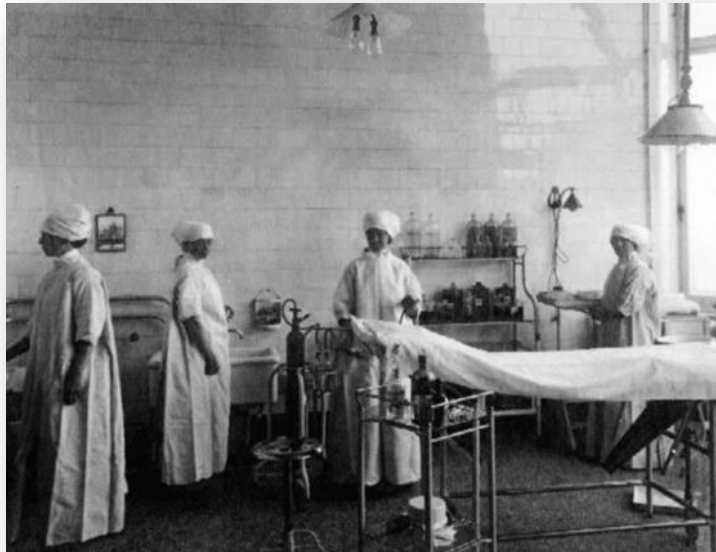
Payment by Results

“ Link the allocation of funds to hospitals to the activity they undertake ”

“Tariff” introduced 2005/6

What is Tariff?

One payment for an operation
funds everything.



How it works – Procedural Codes

Operation

- **OPCS classification (>8900)**
- Cholecystectomy: J18.3
- Laparoscopic: J18.3 + Y75.2

HRG Code

- **GA10C** Open Cholecystectomy without CC
- **GA10D** Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy with length of stay 1 day or more without CC
- **GA10E** Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy with length of stay 0 days without CC
- **GA10F** Open or Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy with CC

How it works – Co-morbidities



- Co-morbidities
- Old myocardial infarction
- Chronic ischaemic heart disease, unspecified
- Atrial fibrillation and flutter
- Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, unspecified
- Insulin-dependent diabetes mellitus without complications
- Rheumatoid arthritis, unspecified

How it works - Complications



- **Complications**

- Acute laryngopharyngitis
- Hypotension due to drugs
- Cardiac arrhythmia, unspecified
- Volume depletion
- Fluid overload
- Disorientation, unspecified

Tariff – Hernia Repair

2008/9

		Elective spell tariff (£)
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FZ18C	Inguinal Umbilical or Femoral Hernia Repairs \geq 19 years without CC	1,015	1,412

Financial Incentivisation

Four years ago;

Approach to BADS by the NHS PbR Team

“How do we provide appropriate payment for Day Surgery activity?”

- Reduce tariff based on reduced cost?
- No... *Enhance* tariff as a financial incentive

Best Practice Tariff – Hernia Repair

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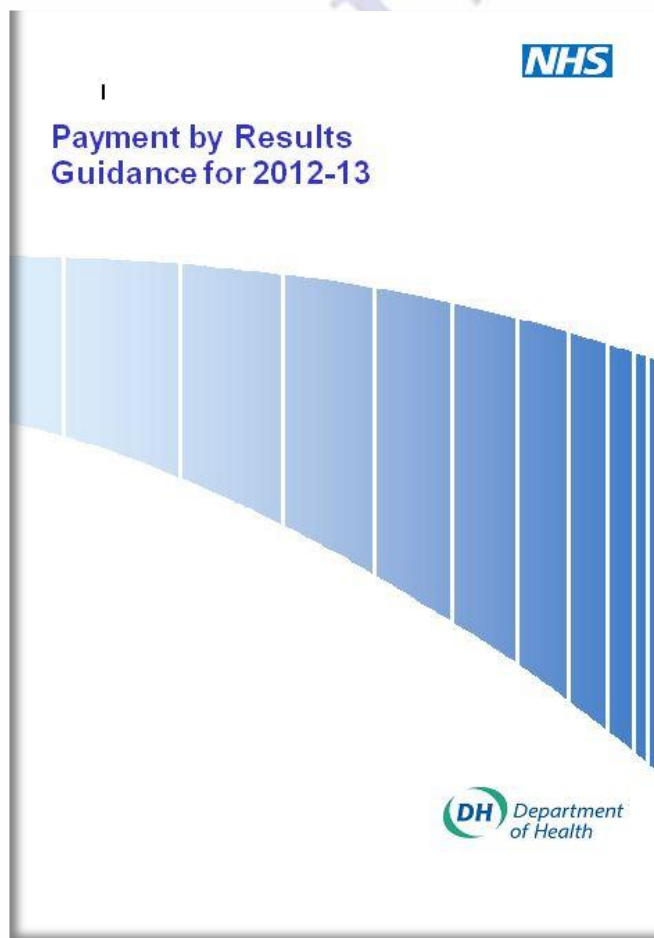
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2012/13

		Daycase tariff (£)	Elective spell tariff (£)
FZ18A	Inguinal Umbilical or Femoral Hernia Repairs \geq 19 years with Major CC	1,638	1,338
FZ18B	Inguinal Umbilical or Femoral Hernia Repairs \geq 19 years with Intermediate CC	1,356	1,056
FZ18C	Inguinal Umbilical or Femoral Hernia Repairs \geq 19 years without CC	1,136	836

The Development of 'Best Practice' Tariff



B.P.T.	2010-11	2011-12	2012-13
Acute Stroke	Introduced	Increased price differential	Further increase in price differential
Cataracts	Introduced and maintained		
Fragility hip fracture	Introduced	Increased price differential	Further increase in price differential and expansion of best practice characteristics
Day case procedures	Gall bladder removal	12 further procedures added	2 further procedures added; breast surgery procedures amended and revision to some day case rates
Adult Renal Dialysis		Vascular access for haemodialysis	Home therapies incentivised
Paediatric Diabetes		Activity based structure (non-mandatory)	Year of outpatient care structure (mandatory)
Transient ischaemic attack		Introduced and maintained	
Primary total hip and knee replacements		Introduced and maintained	
Interventional radiology		2 procedures introduced	5 further procedures added
Procedures in Outpatients			3 procedures introduced
Same day emergency care			12 clinical scenarios introduced
Major trauma care			Introduced

Incentivising Day Case Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy

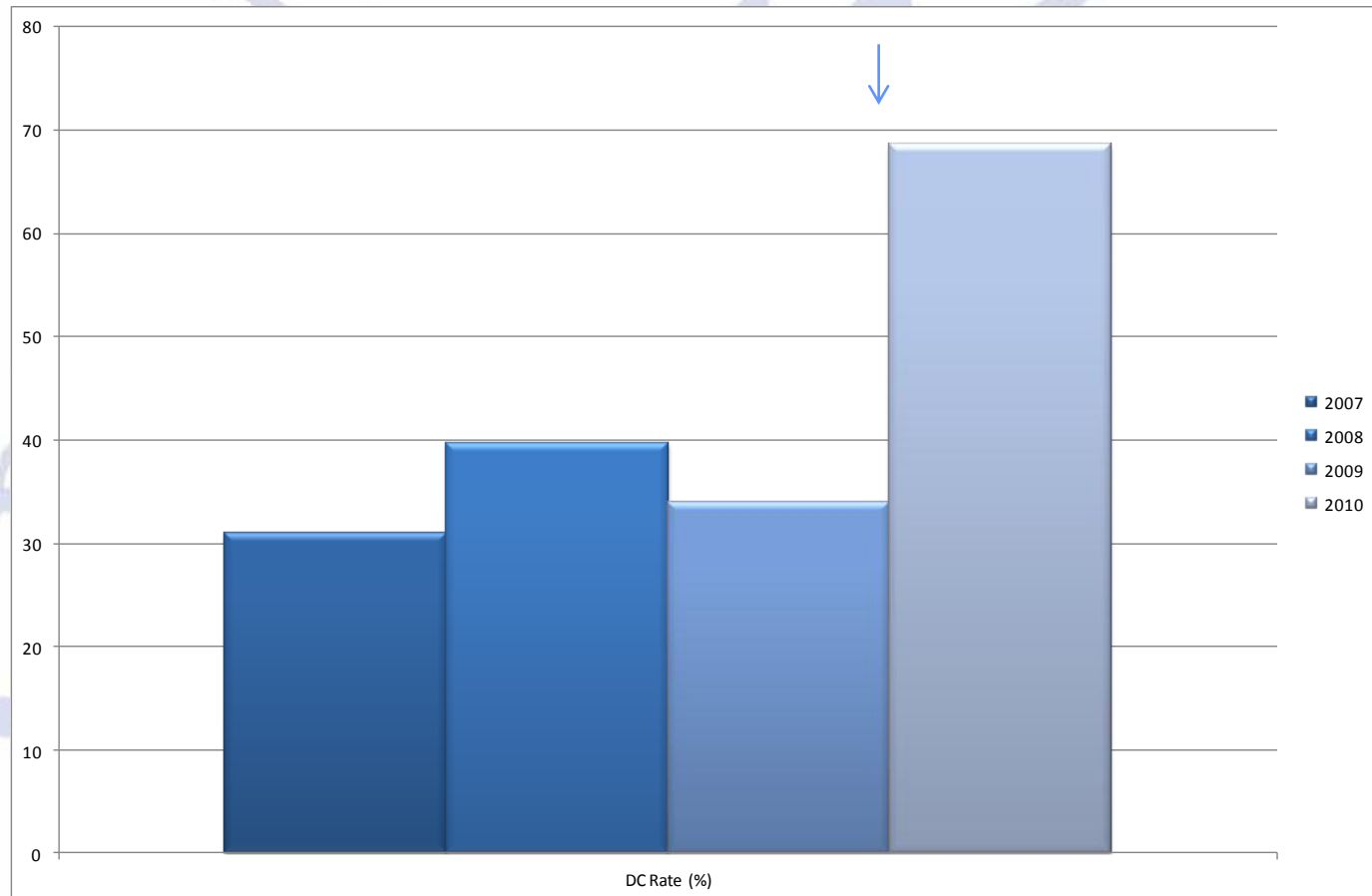


Milton Keynes Hospital 
NHS Foundation Trust

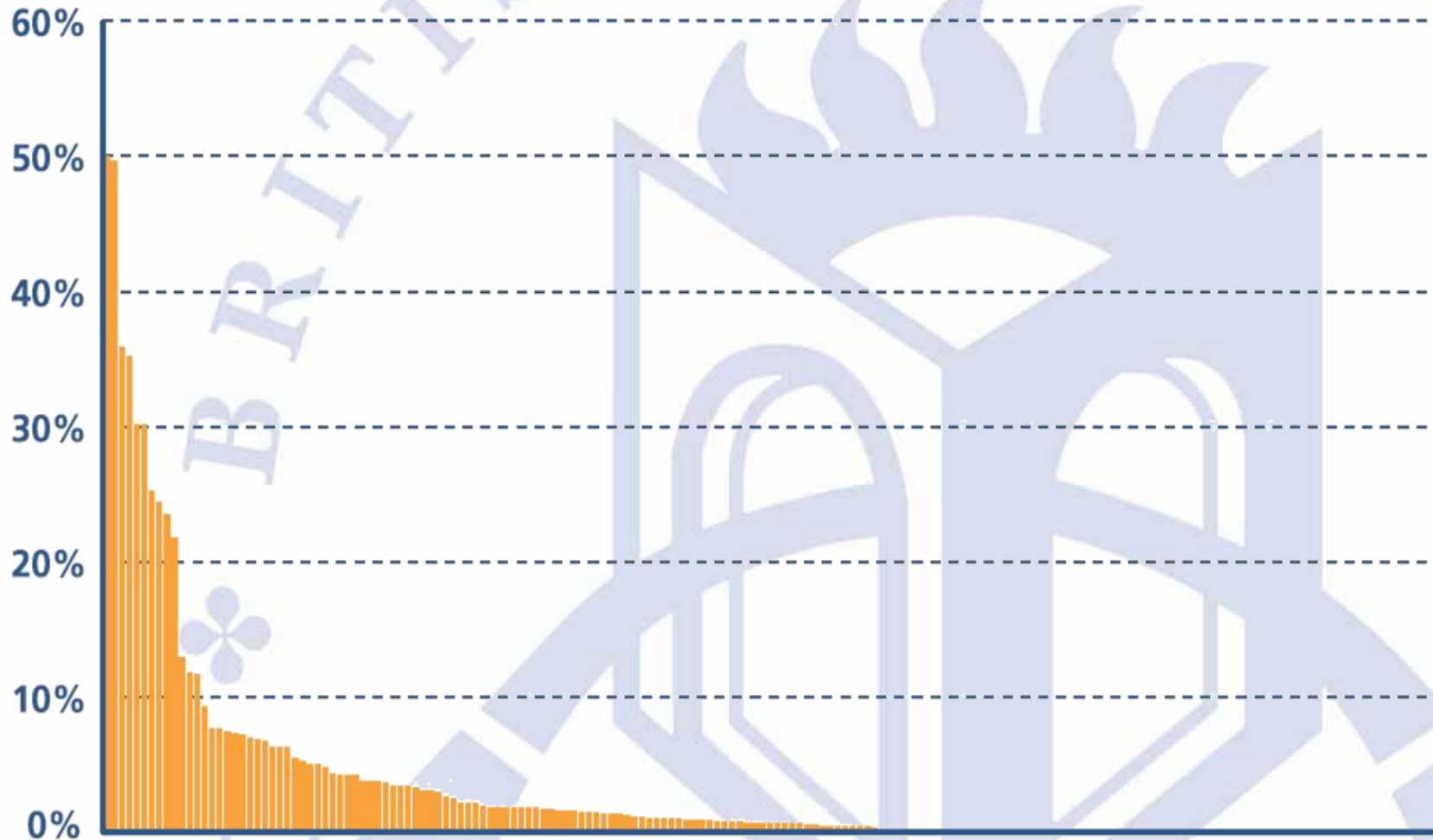
- Medium-sized Foundation Trust DGH
- 400 inpatient beds
- Serves 350,000 population
- 8 General Surgical consultants
- 250 Lap Cholecystectomy/year
- Background Day-case rate ~35%
- Extra £325 per DC Lap Chole

Howard D et al. J One-Day Surgery 2011;21:4-7

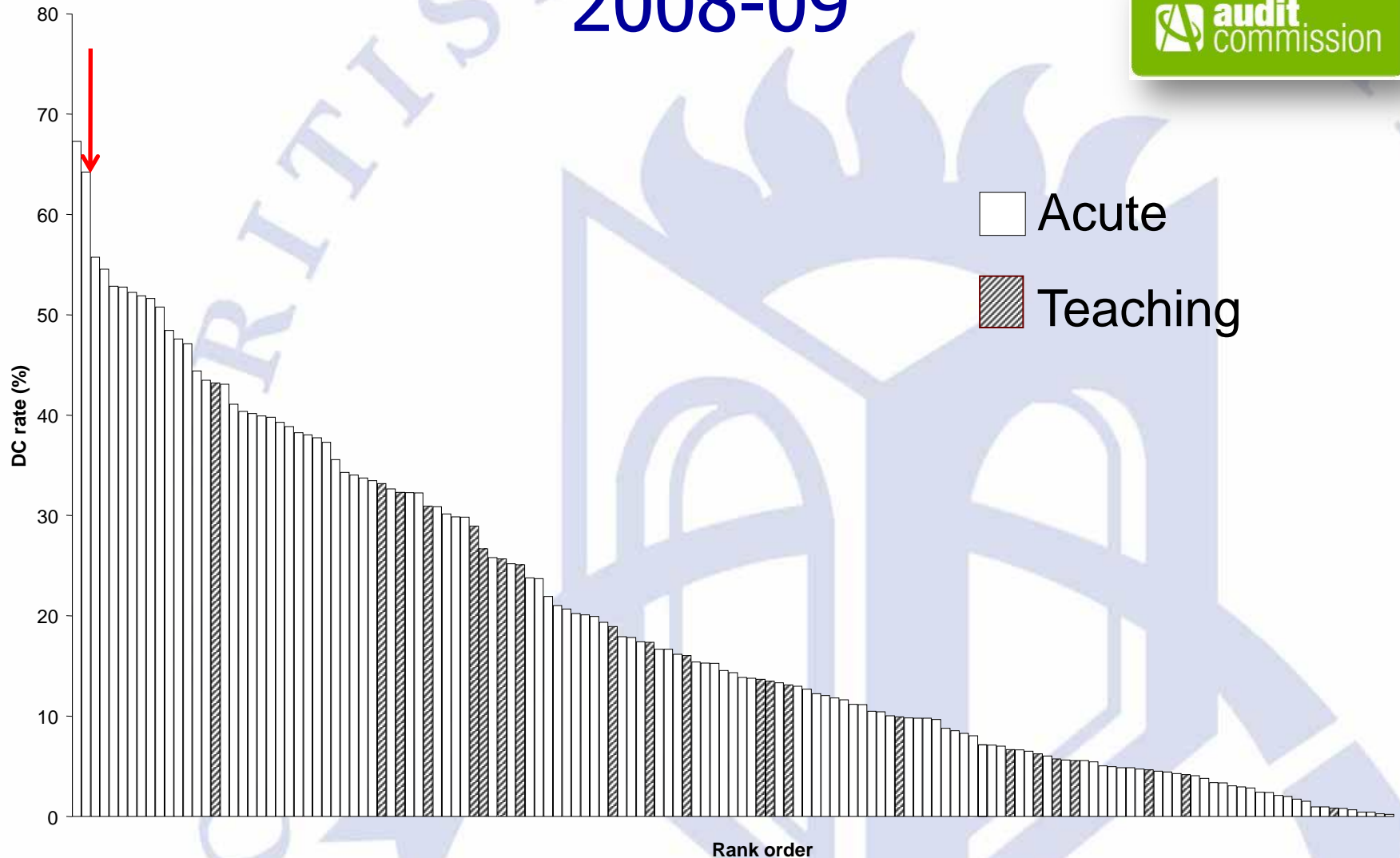
Day Case Rate



Day Case Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy 1999-2000



Day Case Laparoscopic Cholecystectomy 2008-09

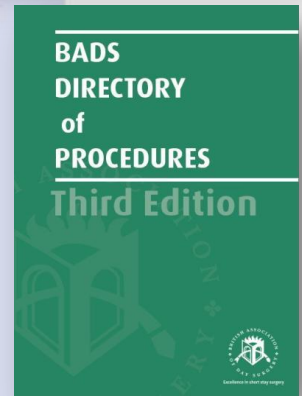


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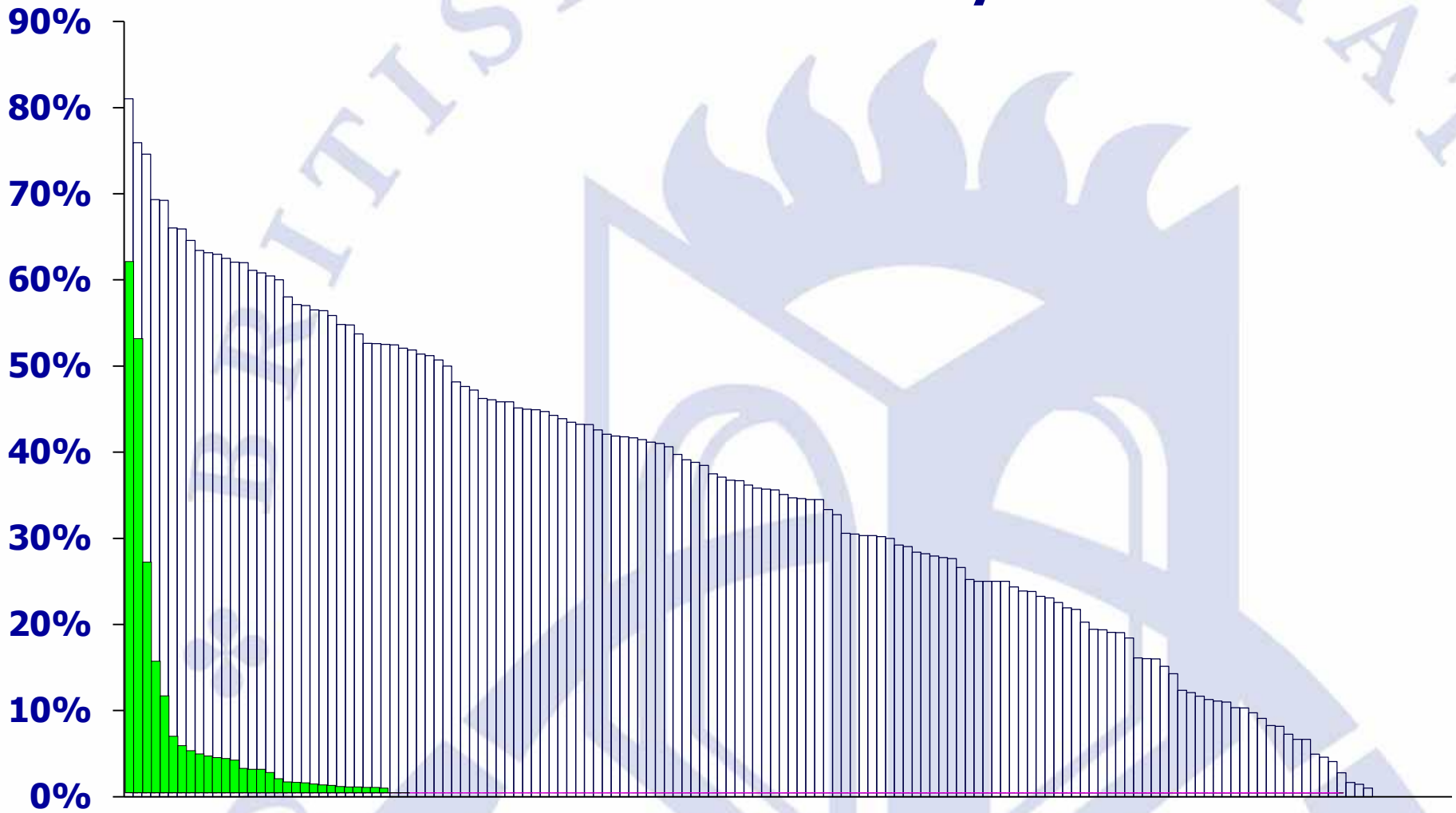
Q3 2010



NHS
*Institute for Innovation
and Improvement*



Over the last 10 years



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Closure of colostomy	0%	0%	0%
Transanal excision of lesion of anus	71%	53%	37%
Excision/destruction of lesion of anus	96%	92%	87%
Haemorrhoidectomy	91%	79%	68%
Injection or banding of haemorrhoids	100%	98%	96%
Circular stapling haemorrhoidectomy	91%	76%	64%
Anorectal stretch	97%	86%	78%
Excision/treatment of anal fissure	97%	89%	81%
Lateral sphincterotomy of anus	100%	93%	90%
Pilonidal sinus surgery -laying open or suture/ skin graft	91%	82%	70%
Adrenalectomy -unilateral (laparoscopic)	7%	0%	0%
Diagnostic laparoscopy	91%	84%	76%
Laparoscopic cholecystectomy	65%	54%	39%
Laparoscopic splenectomy	0%	0%	0%
Primary repair of inguinal hernia	82%	75%	68%
Repair of recurrent inguinal hernia	74%	63%	52%
Primary repair of femoral hernia	84%	73%	67%
Repair of umbilical hernia	85%	78%	71%
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Open repair of incisional hernia	37%	24%	17%
Repair of other abdominal hernia	69%	57%	47%
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GENERAL SURGERY

England 2011

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Pathway Design







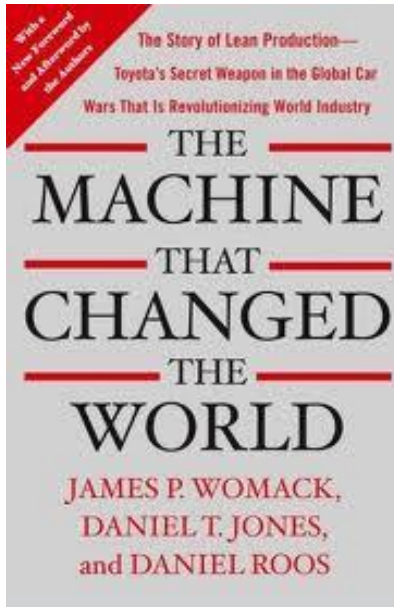
The origins of “lean”



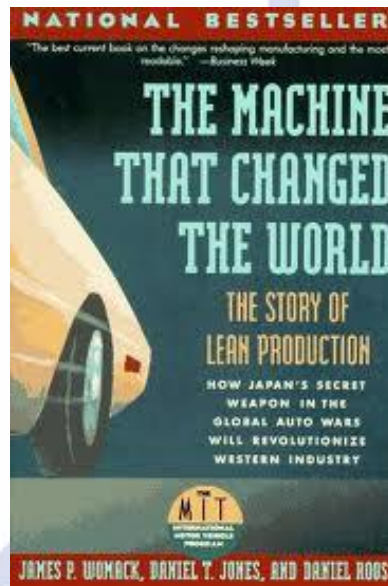
Krafcik JF
“The triumph of the lean
production system.”
Sloan Management Review
1988 **30** (1):41-52



Recognition of “LEAN”



1990



**Massachusetts
Institute of
Technology**

International Motor Vehicle Program
Established 1979
25 Universities worldwide

Lean is

....a systematic approach to improving the flow of a process by identifying and eliminating 'Waste' through continuous improvement.

In other words:

Getting the right **things**

To the right **place**

At the right **time**

In the right **quantities**

To minimize **waste**

And be flexible to **change**

Lean is not.....

.....an excuse simply to cut costs !

Remember.....

it is the elimination of any
activity which does not add to patient
value.

Key Areas on the Patient Administrative Pathway

Rate limiting steps

1. Criteria
2. Preassessment
3. Patient Admission
4. Theatre Efficiency
5. Discharge Process

Domains

1. Quality
2. Cost
3. Safety

Day Case Criteria

Depend on:

- Stand-alone unit
- Hospital-integrated unit



Assessment of physical status

1940-41

American Society of Anaesthesiologists commission Saklad, Rovenstine & Taylor to devise a system for collecting anaesthetic data.



1963

Modification to present-day ASA classification of physical status.

Saklad M. Grading of patients for surgical procedures. Anesthesiology 1941; 2:281-4

ASA 1 Normal healthy
ASA 2 Mild systemic disease
ASA 3 Severe systemic disease
ASA 4 Threat to life
ASA 5 Moribund

Co-morbidity increases with age



By 2019, the population
over retirement age in
UK will increase from
18.3% to 22.2%

Population Projections (1994 based) Government
Actuary Dept. London 1996

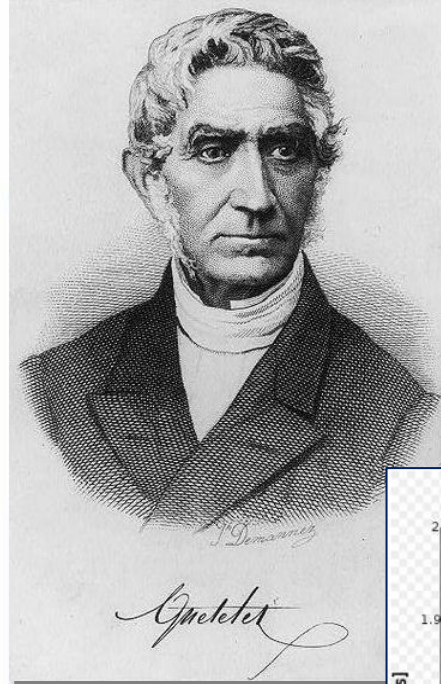
By 2030, 26% of the
Finnish population will
be >65 years of age

www.stat.fi/til/vaenn/index.html

Body Mass Index

1840-46
Quetelet Index

1972
Body Mass Index

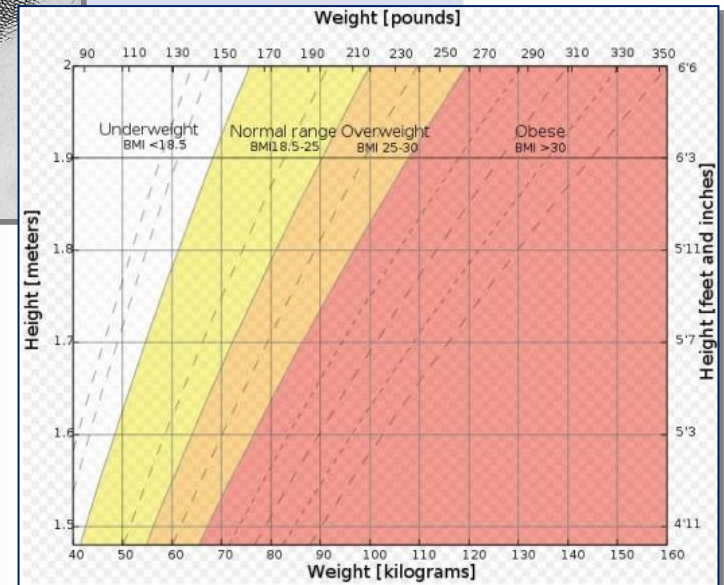


$$\text{BMI} = \frac{\text{weight (lb)} * 703}{\text{height}^2 (\text{in}^2)}$$

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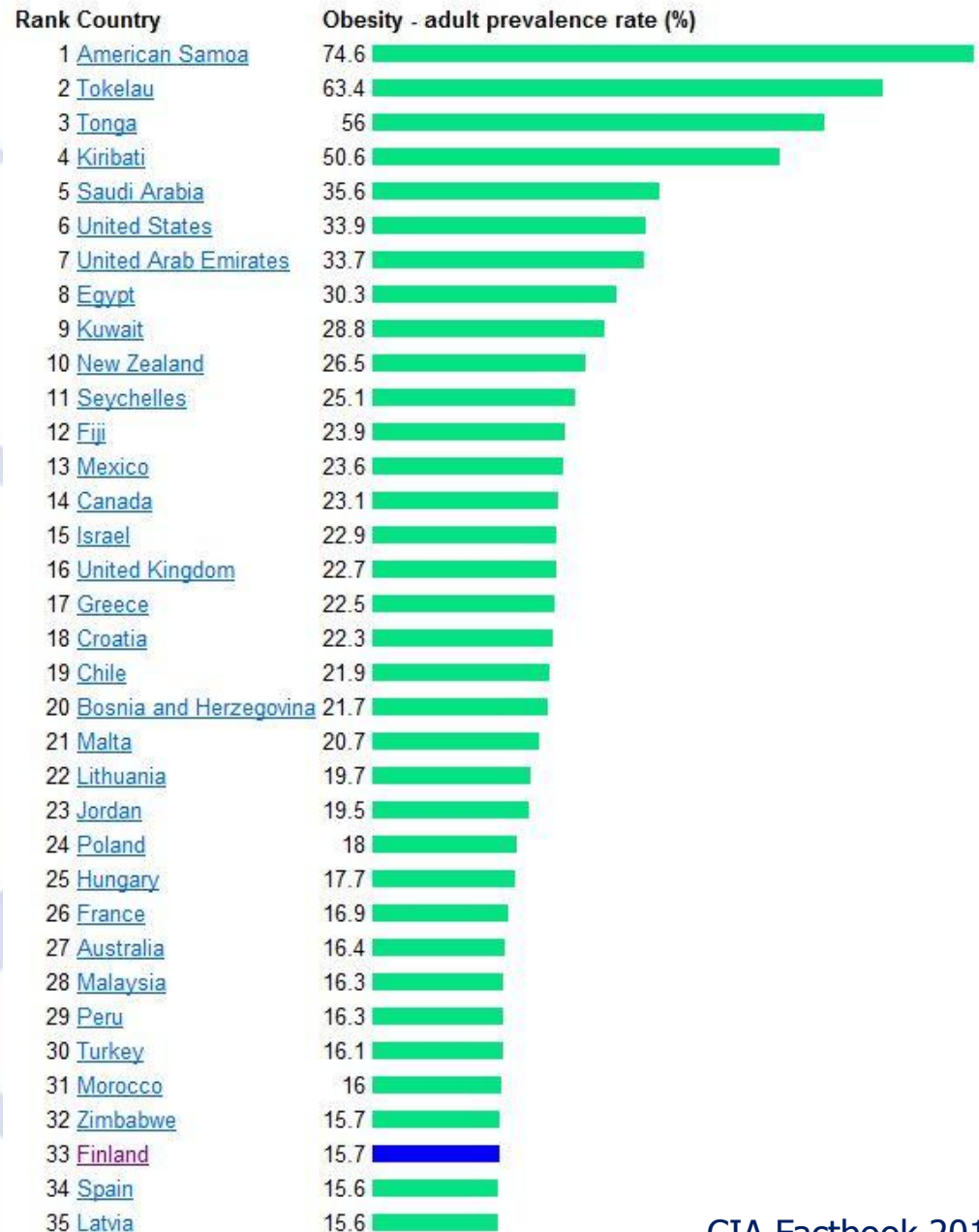
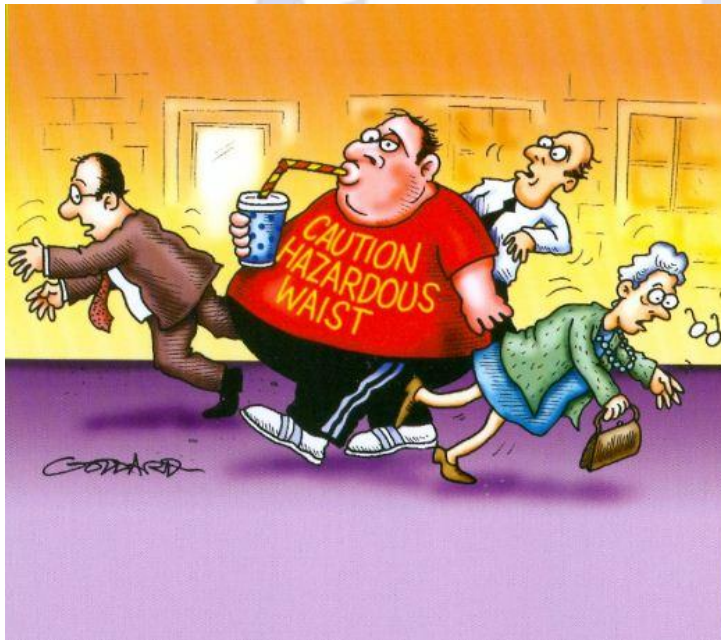
$$\text{BMI} = \frac{\text{weight (kg)}}{\text{height}^2 (\text{m}^2)} \quad (\text{metric})$$

Keys A, Fidanza F, Karvonen MJ,
Kimura N, Taylor HL.
Indices of relative weight and obesity.
J Chronic Dis 125(6):329-43



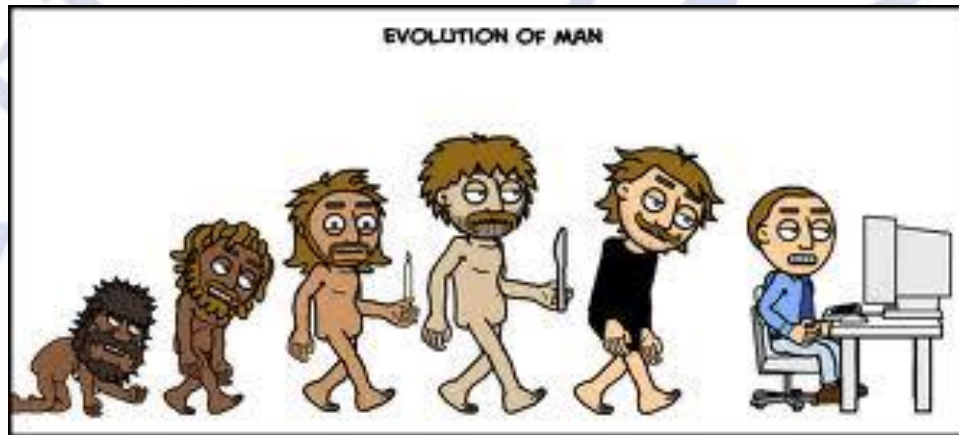
Worldwide Obesity Epidemic

Definition of obesity :
BMI > 30



CIA Factbook 2012

Day Case Criteria



Evolution not Revolution

- Require regular evaluation
- Abandon universal selection criteria
- Apply limitations to the procedure rather than the patient

Preassessment



Who ?
Where ?
What ?
How ?
When ?

Preassessment

Default to Day surgery

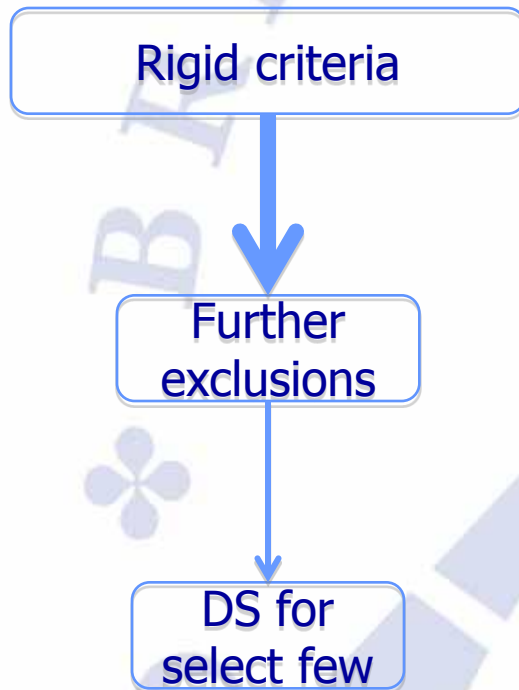
Can this patient be a day case ?



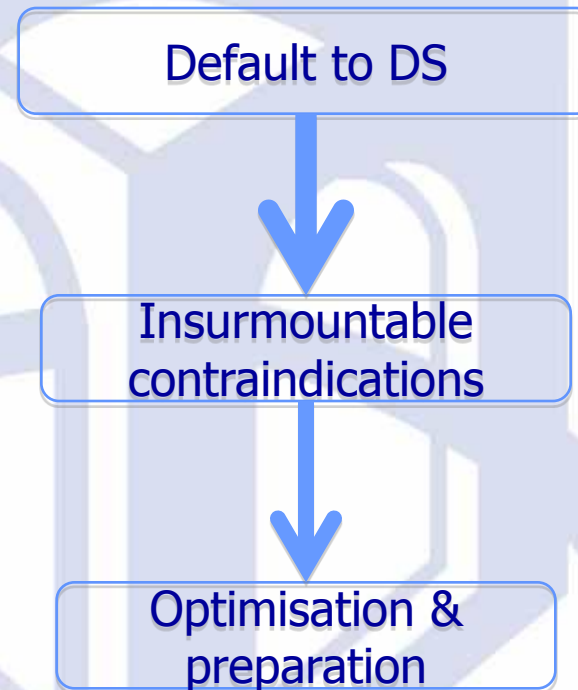
Is there any reason this patient cannot be a day case ?

Changing Philosophy

Previous



Current



Pre-assessment Options

At source (Health Centre)

Health screen

Telephone

Formal (Hospital)

- immediate
- interval

On-line



Typical Surgical Pathway

Referral from GP
Outpatient review
Diagnostics
Further review
Decision to operate

Inpatient

Waiting list

Preop assessment

Surgery (if suitable)

Day case

Waiting list

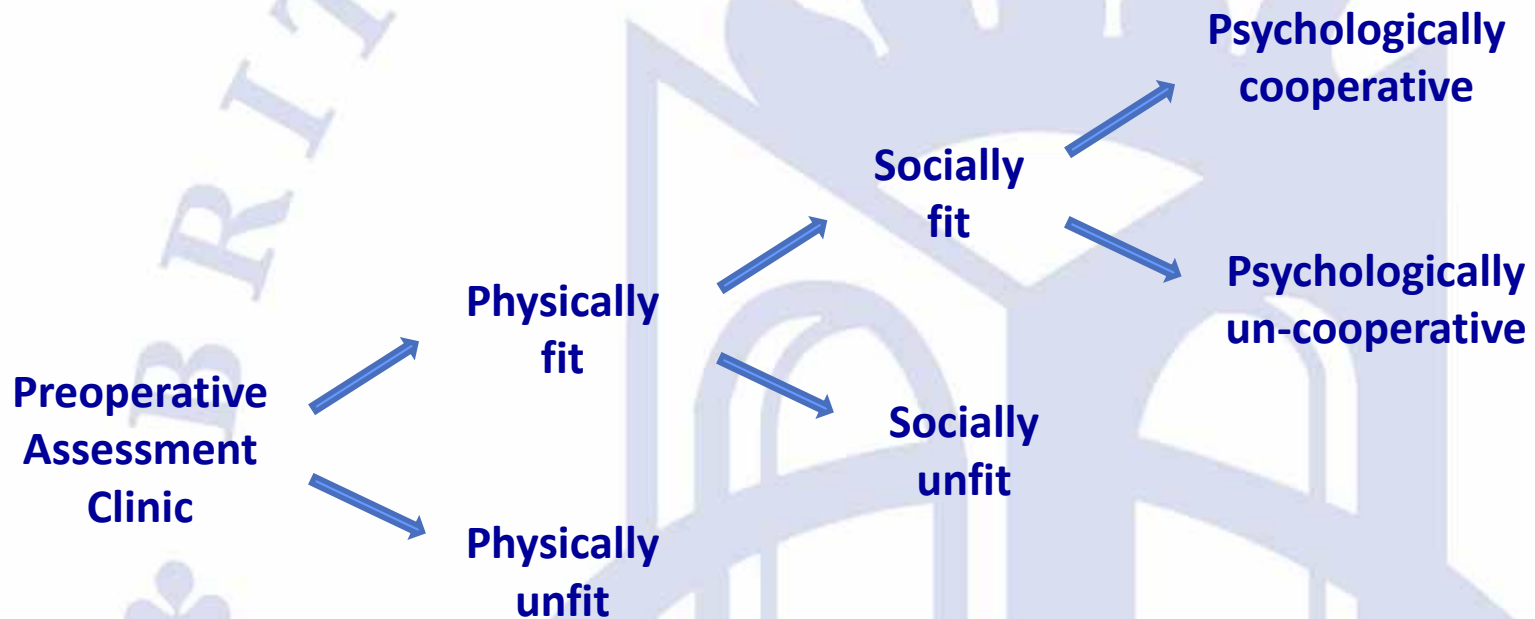
Preop assessment

Surgery (if suitable)

The Rules of Preassessment

- Preassessment for all elective surgical patients
- Opt out of day surgery rather than opting in
- Empower the preassessment team to allocate the appropriate length of stay option
- Perform preassessment early in the pathway

Preoperative Assessment in 2012



Social Factors

Responsible adult
Adequate housing
conditions

- inside toilet
- telephone access
- heating
- stairs

Maximum 1 hours' drive



Psychological Factors

Trust and Motivation

- past personal experience
- experience of others
- hearsay
- prejudice

Personality

Intelligence

Culture

- extended family
- safety issues in home country



Patient Matrix

Fit Cooperative	Fit Un-cooperative
Un-fit Cooperative	Un-fit Un-cooperative

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Fit but Uncooperative

Manage information and expectations



Unfit but Cooperative

Try as a Day Case

Consider superficial
rather than abdominal
procedures

Do not compromise
patient safety

Consider alternative
forms of anaesthesia



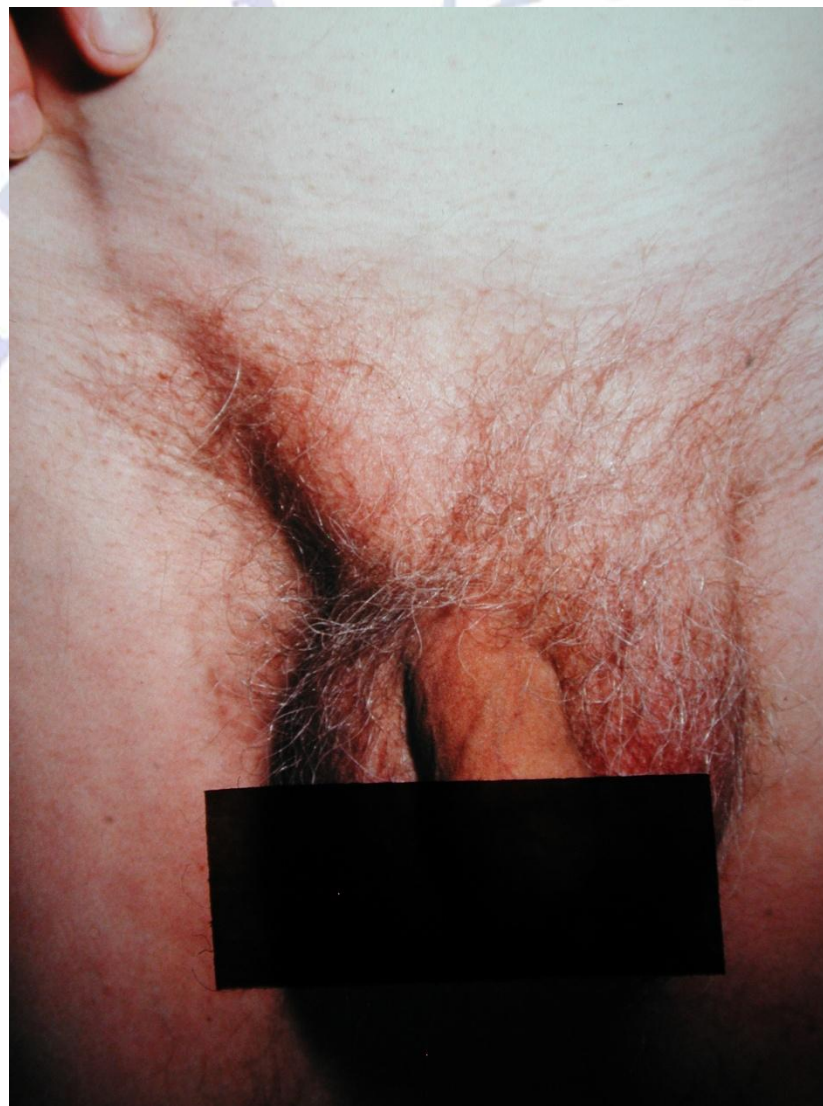
Regional Anaesthesia



Passing Urine

“Passing urine for patients at low risk of post-operative urinary retention is not essential before going home.”

Jackson I, McWhinnie D, Skues M
The pathway to success.
BADs London 2012



Patient Admission

Dedicated Facilities for day surgery

Unplanned admissions

Dedicated day unit	-	1.0 %
In-patient ward	-	17.0 %
Satellite day unit	-	2.7 %



Day Surgery in Different Guises
Fehrmann K, Matthews CM, Stocker ME
J One-Day Surgery 2011; 19:39-47

Patient Admission

Dedicated facilities for overnight stay

Same-day admissions unit

Day of surgery admissions unit

- Located near theatres
- Chairs, not trolleys
- Lower staffing costs
- Walk to theatre
- Reduced transfer time
- Ward admission after theatre



Operating Theatre Efficiency

Theatre Costs

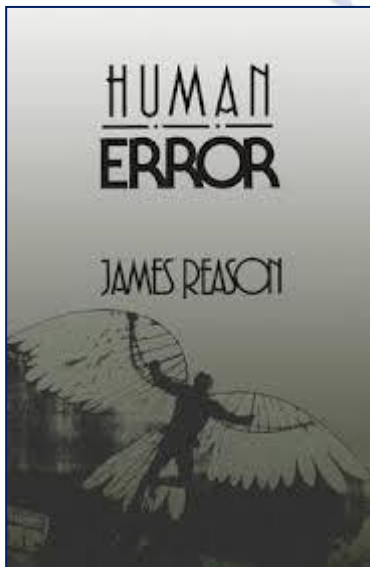
Dependent on

- Size of theatre suite
- Specialty
- Pay
- Non-pay
- Consumables
- Contribution
-etc

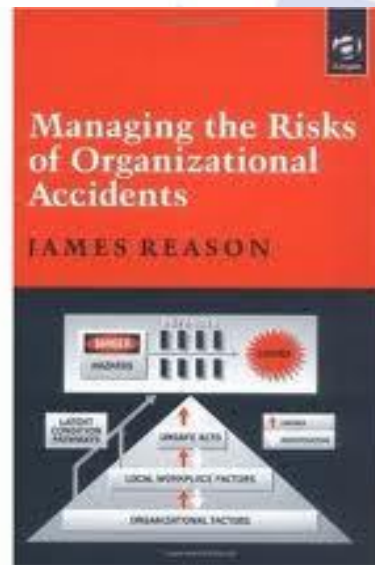


2007 NHS Institute	- £900 / hr
2009 Loughead et al	- £800 / hr
MKGH	- £1620 / hr

Safety – The Cumulative Act Effect



Reason J. Cambridge
University Press 1990



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Ashgate 1997

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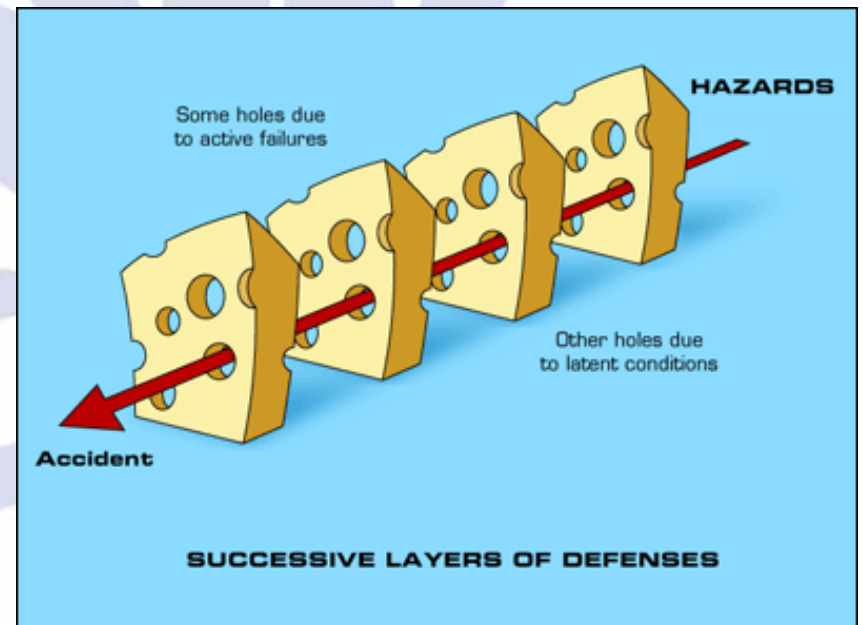
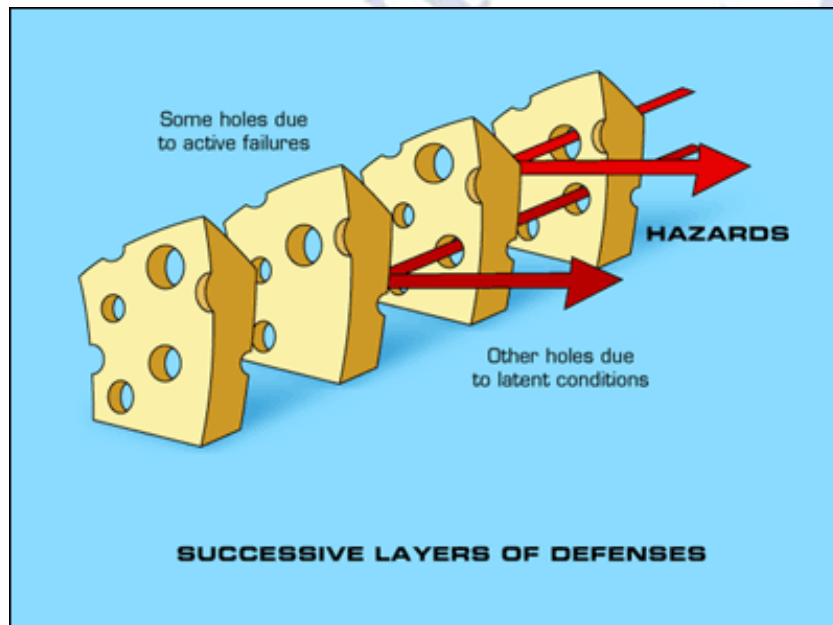
Theory of Accident Causation

Levels of Failure

1. Organisational influences
2. Unsafe supervision
3. Preconditions for unsafe acts
4. Unsafe acts

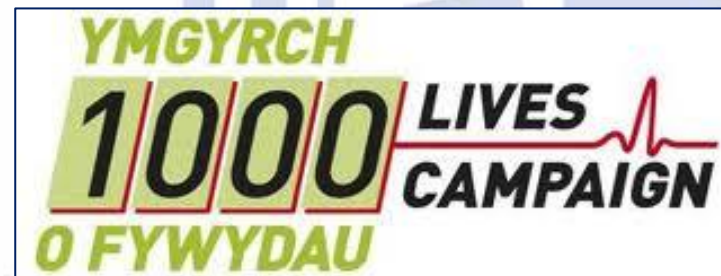
Active failure
Latent failure

Swiss Cheese Model of Accident Causation



“ a trajectory of accident opportunity ”

Patient Safety Campaigns



Never events 2011-12



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Surgical Safety Checklist



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Organization

Patient Safety
A World Alliance for Safer Health Care

Before induction of anaesthesia

(with at least nurse and anaesthetist)

Has the patient confirmed his/her identity, site, procedure, and consent?

☐ Yes

Is the site marked?

☐ Yes

☐ Not applicable

Is the anaesthesia machine and medication check complete?

☐ Yes

Is the pulse oximeter on the patient and functioning?

☐ Yes

Does the patient have a:

Known allergy?

☐ No

☐ Yes

Difficult airway or aspiration risk?

☐ No

☐ Yes, and equipment/assistance available

Risk of >500ml blood loss (7ml/kg in children)?

☐ No

☐ Yes, and two IVs/central access and fluids planned

Before skin incision

(with nurse, anaesthetist and surgeon)

☐ **Confirm all team members have introduced themselves by name and role.**

☐ **Confirm the patient's name, procedure, and where the incision will be made.**

Has antibiotic prophylaxis been given within the last 60 minutes?

☐ Yes

☐ Not applicable

Anticipated Critical Events

To Surgeon:

☐ What are the critical or non-routine steps?

☐ How long will the case take?

☐ What is the anticipated blood loss?

To Anaesthetist:

☐ Are there any patient-specific concerns?

To Nursing Team:

☐ Has sterility (including indicator results) been confirmed?

☐ Are there equipment issues or any concerns?

Is essential imaging displayed?

☐ Yes

☐ Not applicable

Before patient leaves operating room

(with nurse, anaesthetist and surgeon)

Nurse Verbally Confirms:

☐ The name of the procedure

☐ Completion of instrument, sponge and needle counts

☐ Specimen labelling (read specimen labels aloud, including patient name)

☐ Whether there are any equipment problems to be addressed

To Surgeon, Anaesthetist and Nurse:

☐ What are the key concerns for recovery and management of this patient?

This checklist is not intended to be comprehensive. Additions and modifications to fit local practice are encouraged.

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Theatre scheduling and efficiency

Dedicated day cases

Dedicated 12 & 23hr cases

Mixed day case/inpatients

- Day cases first
- Day cases post major case



Theatre efficiency factors

Lost Sessions

- unwilling / inconvenient
- No substitute patient in time
- Unfit – no time to recover

Patient Cancellations

Trauma overrides elective list

- Mass emergency
- Procedure requires consultant

Rep availability

Pre in ent

Next Patient Readiness

Long Changeovers

- Clear-up time
- Only available break time
- Many trays
- Not called from Theatre
- Not set-up on table
- Prep room too small
- Equipment issues
- Many Trays
- Uncertain about listed procedure

Tray Pillaging

- Late list changes
- Instrument failure

Instrument Delays

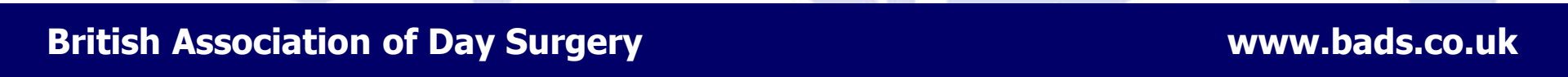
- Chase trays work intensive for SSD
- Many trays
- Transport of instruments
- Basic tracking
- Incomplete Trays
- Wear & Tear
- Late notice of requirement

Lost Theatre Time

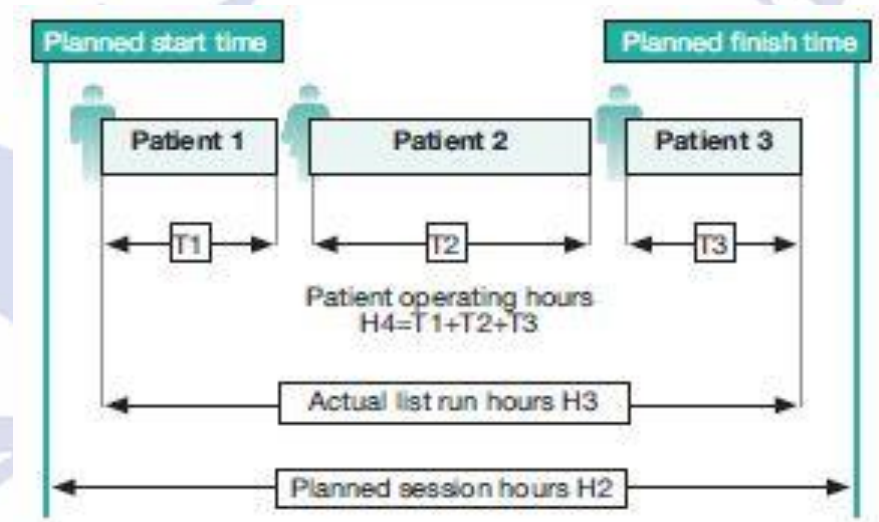
Unnecessary effort

Stress for crew

Delays for patients



Theatre Efficiency



- 10% lists cancelled
- 7.5% gap time

• Audit Commission 2003

What is "Gap Time?"

"The time taken between operations."

- anaesthetic time
- transfer time to operating table
- surgical preparation time
- transfer time to recovery



Gap Times

NHS HIGHLAND | RAIGMORE HOSPITAL

Theatre 100 | Speciality | 4 August 2009

Surgeon: A.Nother | Anaesthetist: G. Asman



Operating theatre utilisation

23 ambulatory lists

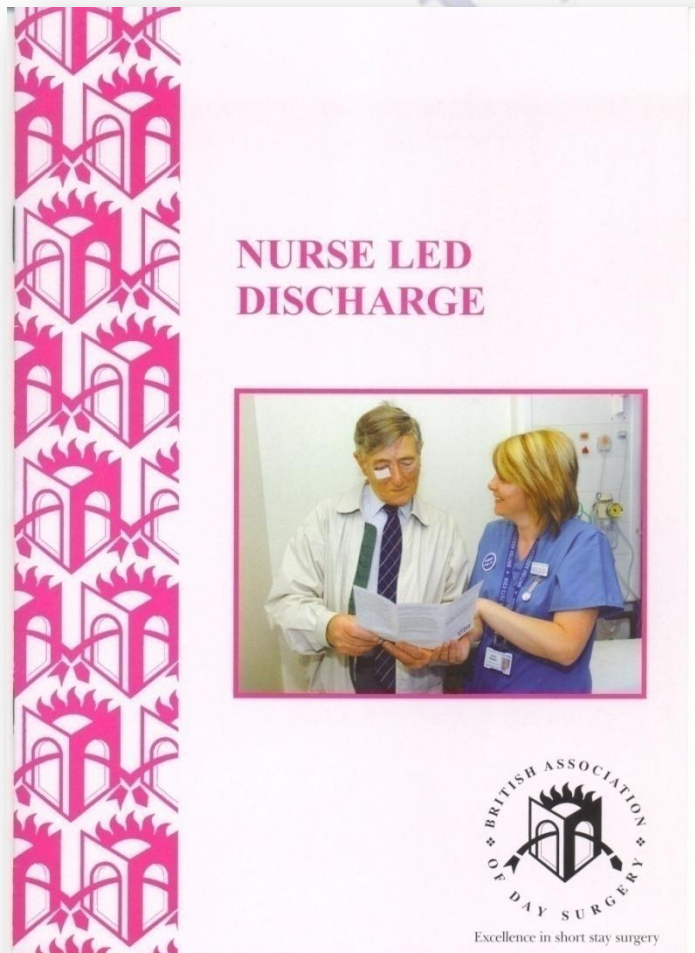
Anaesthetic time	871 (18.0%)
Gap time	691 (14.3%)
Operating time	2981 (61.3%)
Total available	4843
Time utilised	4543 (94%)

Orchard M, Ellams J, McWhinnie D
Journal One-Day Surgery 2010;20;4-6

Discharge process

Discharge Criteria

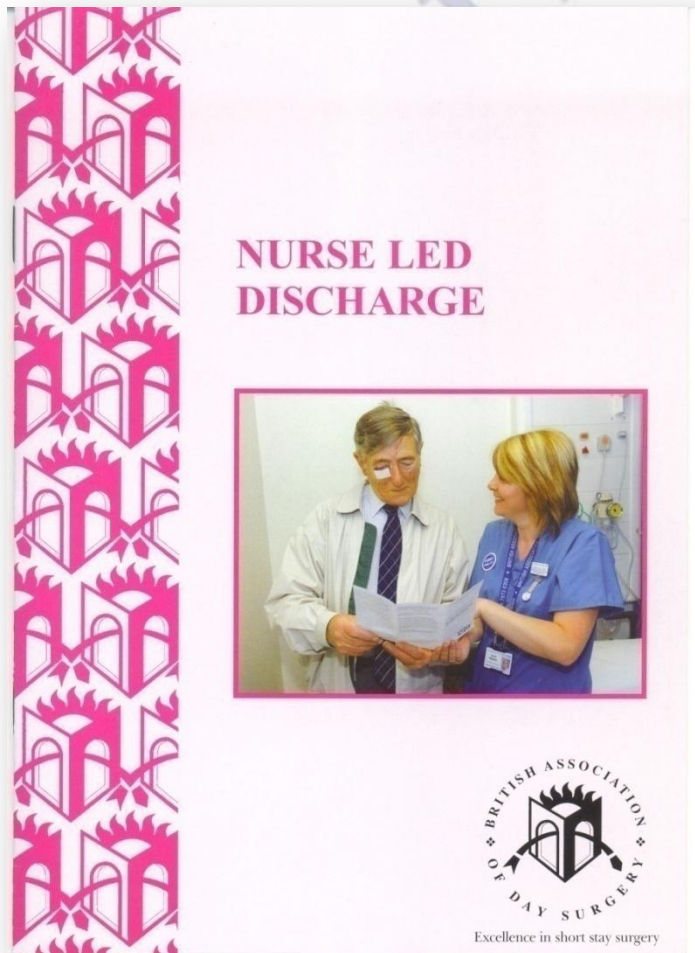
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Physical restriction due to the surgery

Therefore.....

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Passing Urine

“Passing urine for patients at low risk of post-operative urinary retention is not essential before going home.”

Jackson I, McWhinnie D, Skues M
The pathway to success.
BADS London 2012



Fast Track Surgery

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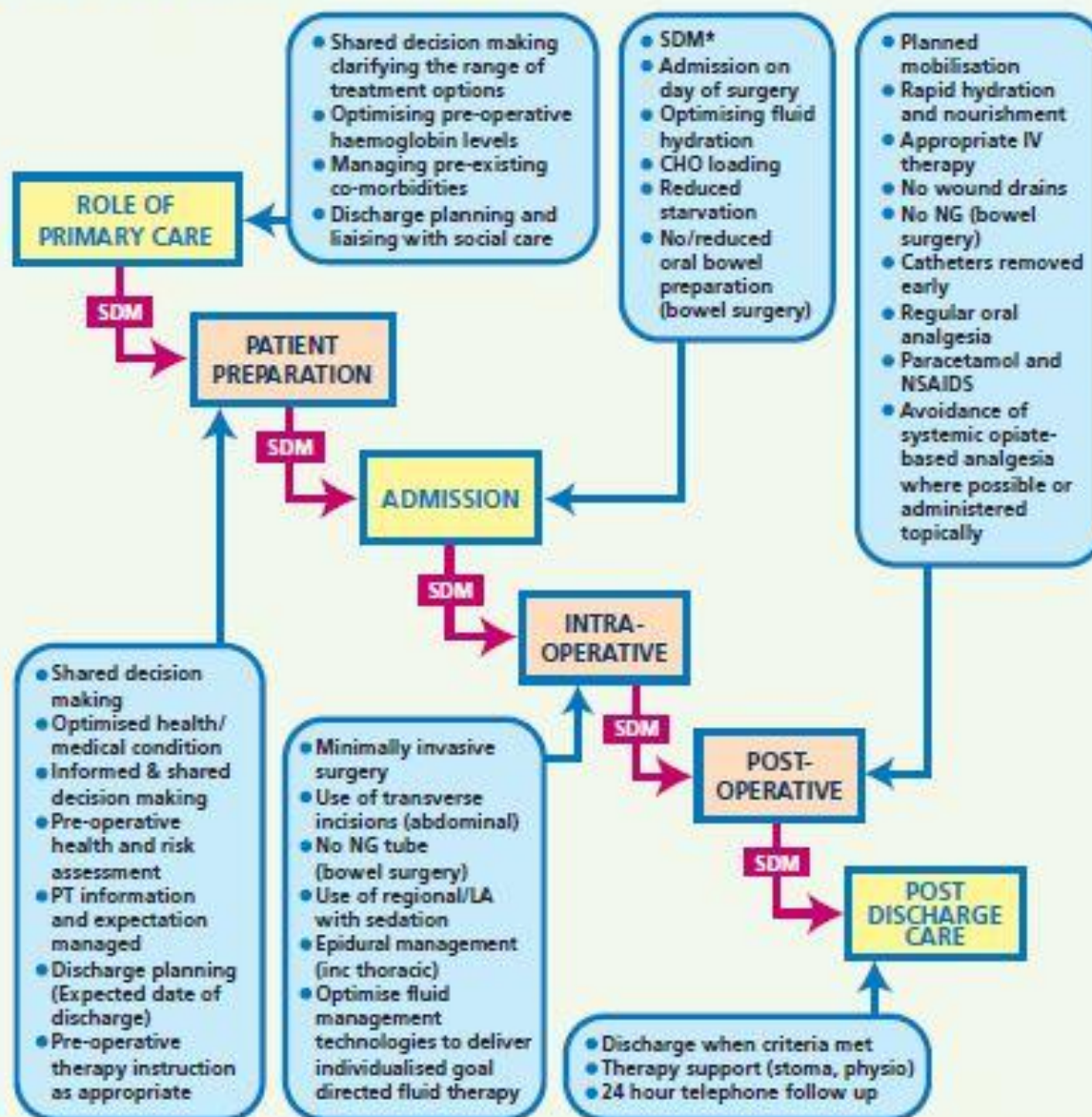
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“Hospital stay of 2 days after open sigmoidectomy
with a multimodal rehabilitation programme”

16 unselected patients (median age 71 years)
Epidural, immediate mobilization and nutrition
Median stay 2 days



Figure 1: The enhanced recovery surgical pathway



Quality Ambulatory Principles

Pre-assessment

Optimised Health

Patient information

Discharge Planning

Minimally invasive

Regional anaesthesia

Goal directed fluid therapy

Planned mobilisation

Regular analgesia

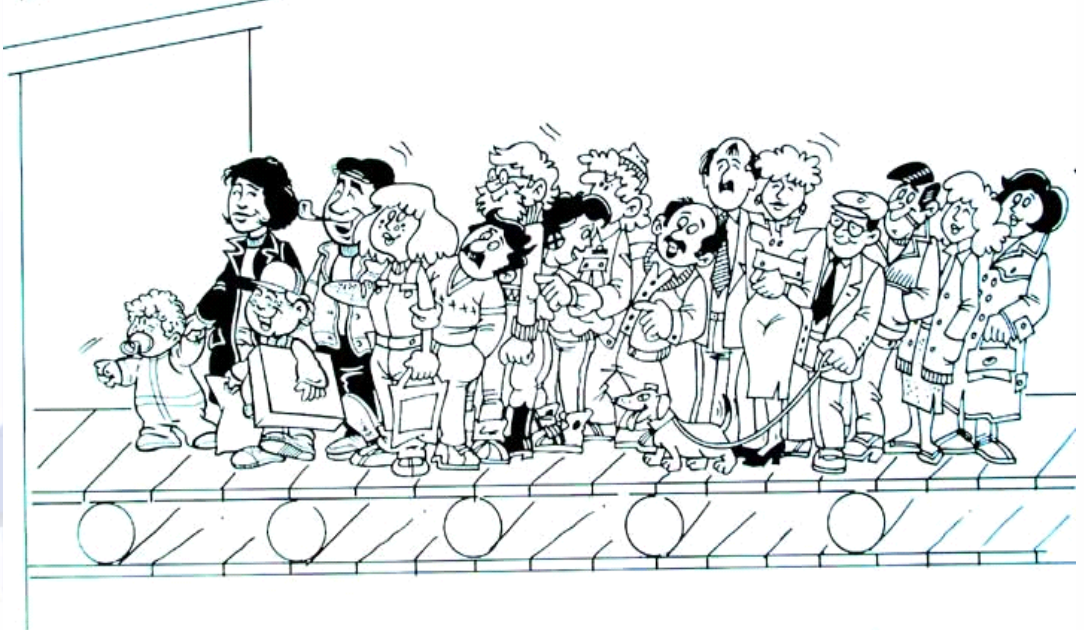
Avoid Opiates

Nurse Led Discharge

Discharge information

Follow up if required

Day Surgery



Day Surgery and Enhanced Recovery

Recent advances

Management of patients in fast track surgery

Douglas W Wilmore, Henrik Kehlet

Surgery is slowly undergoing revolutionary changes due to newer approaches to pain control, the introduction of techniques that reduce the perioperative stress

Use of these methods in day surgical units will be extended to more complex surgical procedures, thus decreasing length of time in hospital

Suggest that when these newer approaches are used in patients undergoing more complex elective surgical procedures, postoperative complications can be reduced, length of hospital stay decreased, and time to recovery shortened. This review of recent advances made in this newly developing specialty of fast track surgery will emphasise techniques that facilitate early recovery after major surgical procedures.

What is fast track surgery?

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Regional anaesthesia and minimally invasive operative techniques are central to these changes

Shortened postoperative recovery should be the focus of rehabilitation care units, which optimise pain relief, mobilisation, and nutrition

Early patient discharge will be accompanied by functional recovery and presumably less morbidity

Laboratories for Surgical Metabolism and Nutrition, Department of Surgery, Brigham and Women's Hospital, Harvard Medical School, Boston, MA 02215, USA

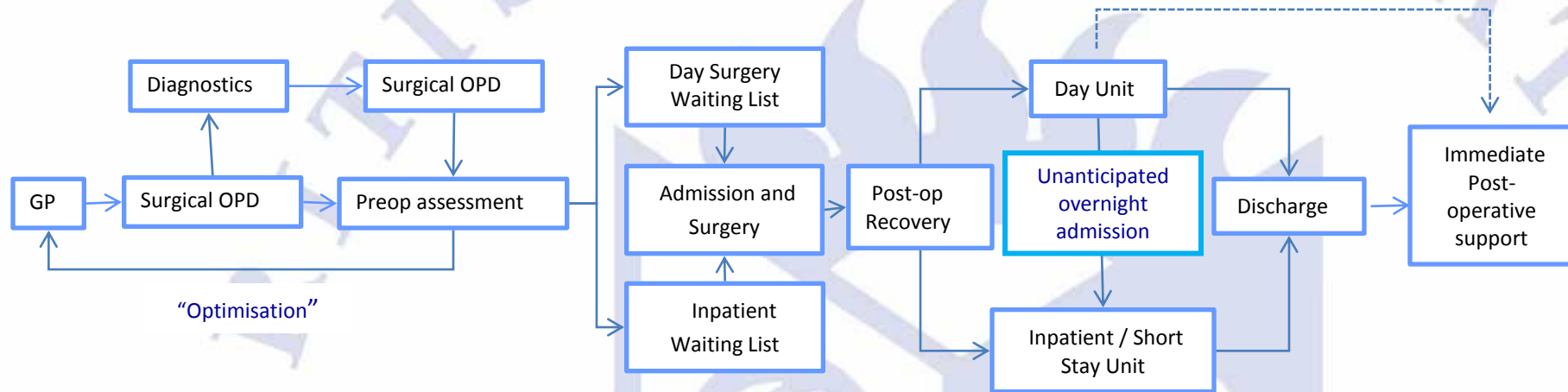
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Day and Short Stay Surgery Pathway

Key Areas on the Patient Administrative Pathway

Rate limiting steps

1. Criteria
2. Preassessment
3. Patient Admission
4. Theatre Efficiency
5. Discharge Process

Domains

1. Quality
2. Cost
3. Safety

