EMR Experiences: Allied Health Professionals

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Western Health

2017 – 2018 EMR implementation Large tertiary health service in the western region of Melbourne One organisation – 5 sites

- 1000 beds
- 6500 staff

480 Allied Health staff from **nine** professions

Go Live Dec 2018
Inpatients implementation



Problem: Electronic (iPM) Inpatient Referral Management

Evaluation in 2017 (ASPIRE team)
Missing data elements

- Location of patient
- Clinical information

Limited information to triage at time of receiving the referral

Outcome: Impacted Allied Health available clinical time

Average time spent on each referral
17.2 minutes

(2017 audit n = 792)

How can we make it quick for the referrer and useful for AH?

Re-designing AH referrals Standardised referral priority

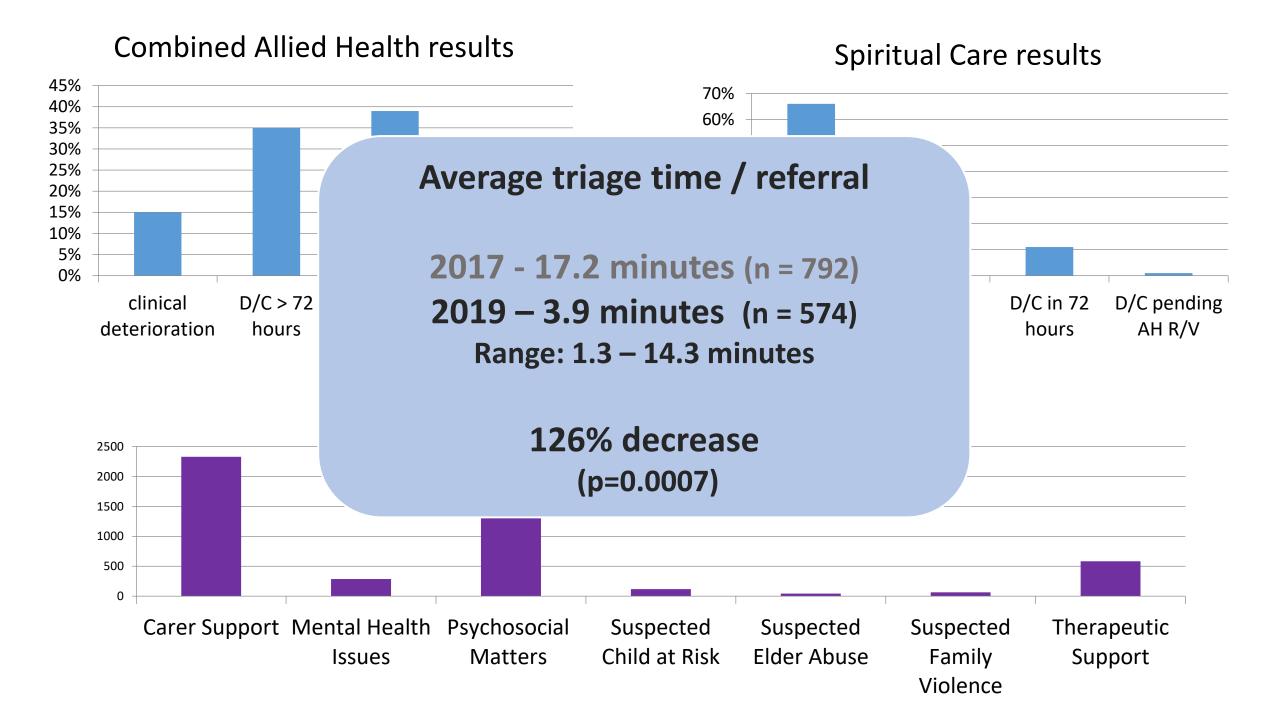
4 options

Defined reason for referral

- Up to 10 Profession specific reasons
- Limited options and characters
- Reviewed by non AH colleagues

Configured auto generated referrals

Embedded referrals within order sets & BPAs



Learnings

Allied Health positive re change

Communication

Wider consultation AH workflows

Framework for profession specific

Super user selection & preparedness

Don't over-do data field entry...

Be prepared for curve balls!

Challenge: an additional system



Connecting Care Parkville

2019-2020 EMR implementation (Take 2!) Four health services co-located in Parkville: one EMR

Adult hospitals:

- 15,600 staff
- 1650 beds
 800 Allied Health from 17
 professions

Go Live August 2020Big bang implementation

One EMR team. One shared EMR.

Join the go-live countdown at ParkvilleEMR.org.au



Clinical transformation, not an IT project

Led by clinicians for clinicians

Standardisation of care

Patient Safety

Connecting with patients

Reporting capability

Better research data

Reaching out for Allied Health Epic experiences

Royal Children's Hospital



Greater Ormond Street – AHIO



Epic's network

UGM **

MD Anderson



Clinical transformation, not an IT project

Led by AH clinicians for AH clinicians

- AH Subject Matter Experts for every profession
- Included for shared workflows
- AH super users (ratio 1:10)

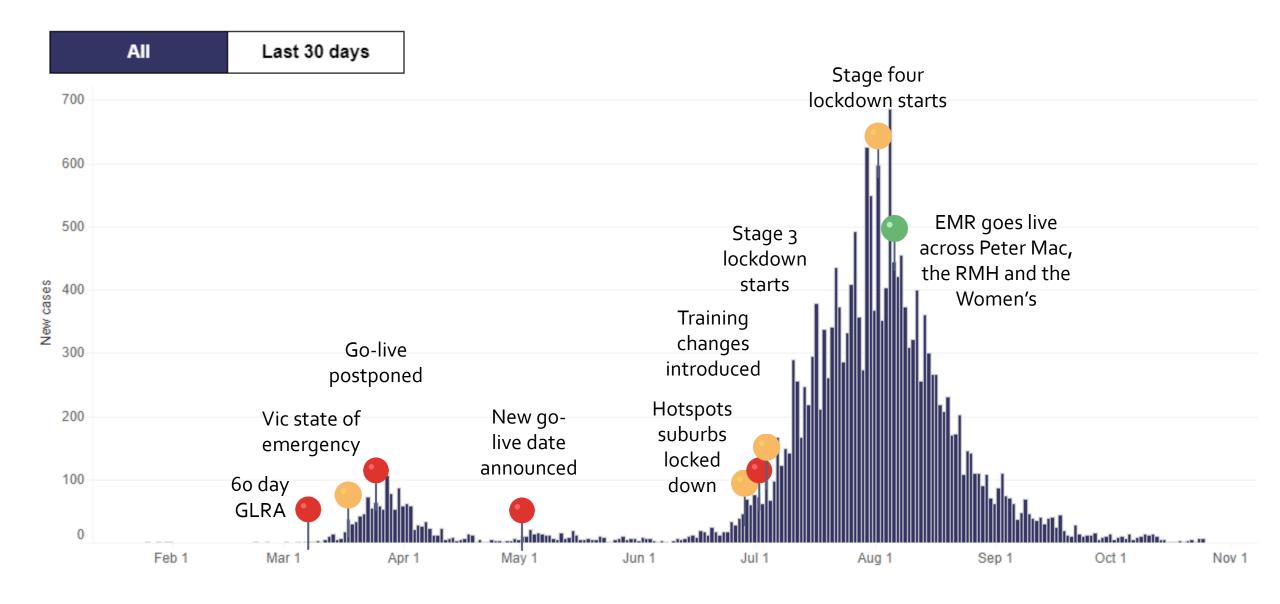
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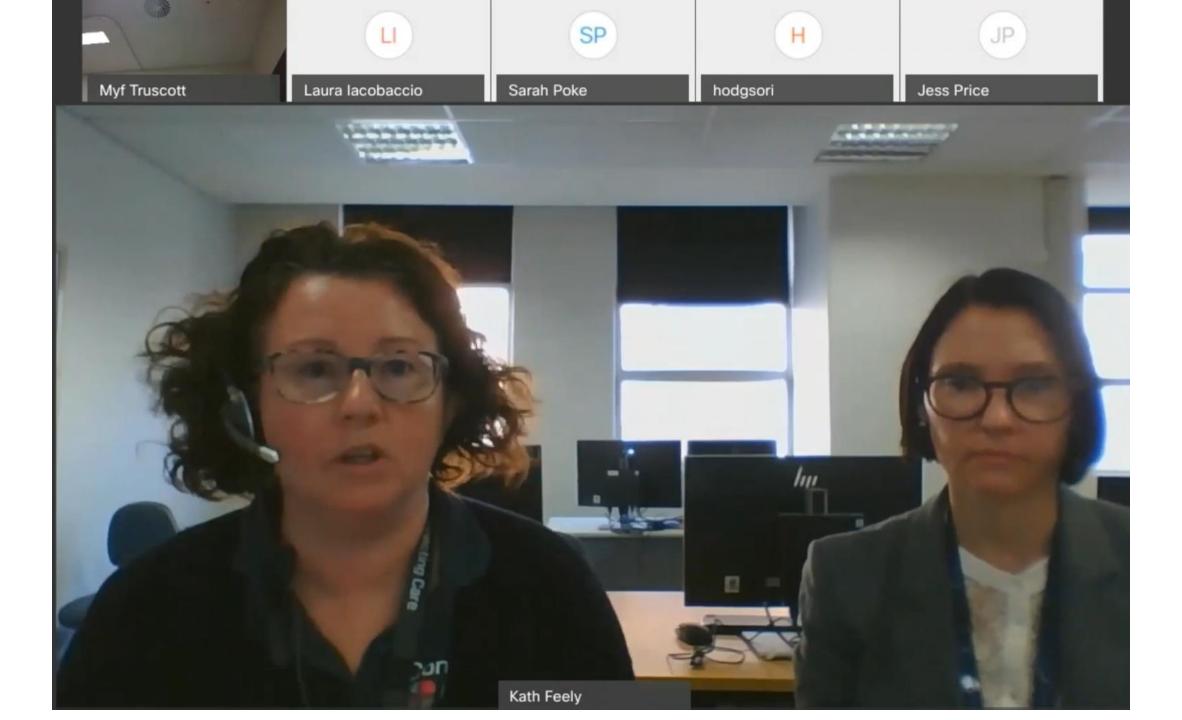
- EMR Allied Health advisory group
- AH core content group
- AH EMR Summits communication

AH Reporting/research capability

AH current status and longitudinal

Daily new cases in Victoria







Benefits: first 6 months

Easy access to information, documenting notes & communication

Connection to our patients

- Goals visible
- PROMS pre appointments

Inpatient referral management

- Improved information
- Visibility of AH status

Cross encounter information

Pre-morbid assessment
 MDM and group documentation

Up to date inpatient clinical demand reports

Learnings

Training – include profession specific

Don't just do a PRD check — have everyone day 1 ready!

Inbasket pools

Ensure input from all MDT professions in decision making for all joint workflows

Big change for AH moving from writing everything in one note

Don't over-do data field entry!

Opportunities: next 12 months

Finalise Evaluation

Use of tools

Connection to our patients

- Increase the use of HealthHub
- Links to education materials

Documenting on the road & virtual care

Reporting

- AH dashboard
- Clinical data

Upskilling AH in clinical informatics