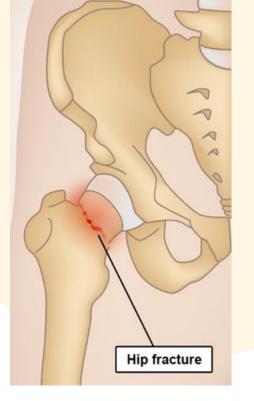
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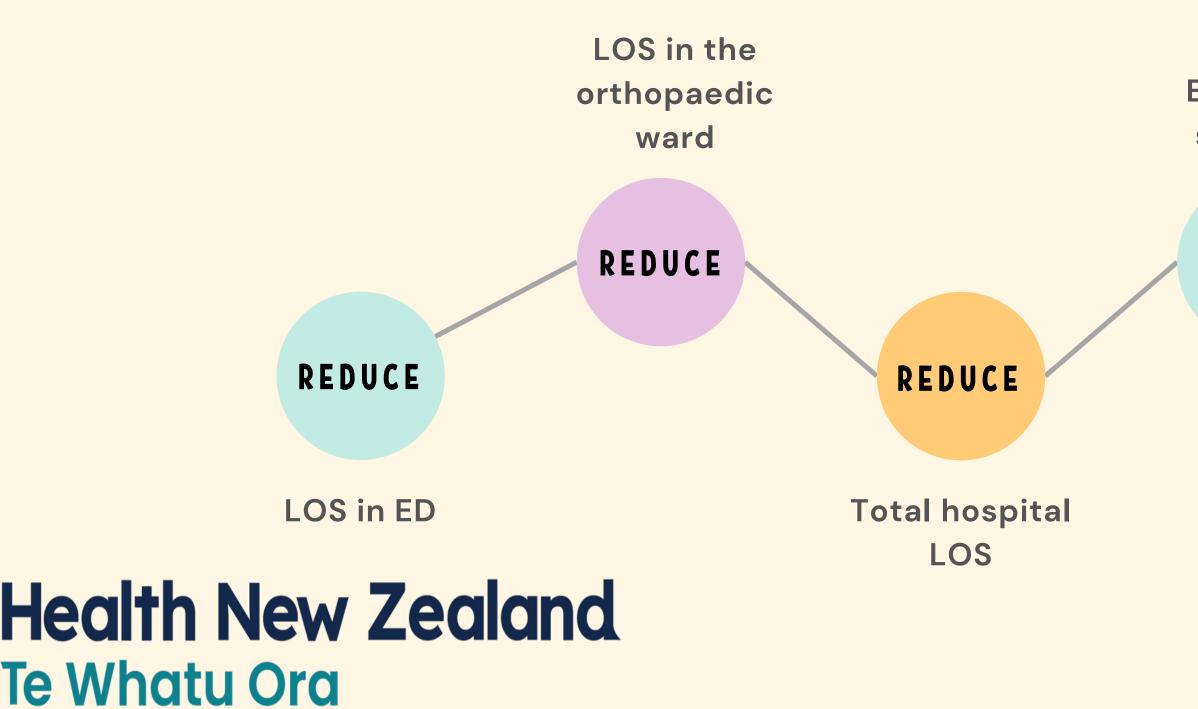


A Quality Improvement Project

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OBJECTIVES:



Equitable services

PROVIDE

IMPROVE

Outcomes pressure injury rates



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Reviewed pathways from high-performing hospitals

Compared current performance against ANZHFR quality statements

2022 PERFORMANCE

Hospital Snapshot		Patient Type: Admitted Via ED Transferred In Inpatient Fall Other/Unknown Period: Last Year V From: 01/01/2022 To: 31/12/2022				
Active Patients	Last Modified	123 records	Time in ED (hrs) [111]	Time to Surgery (hrs) [116]	Acute Length of Stay (days) [117]	Hospital Length of Stay (days) [123]
<u>15</u> 2024 Records 37	1 May 2024 All Records <u>394</u>	Average	7.71	37.06	8.71	16.84
		Median	7.23	25.48	7.98	13.23
		Shortest	3.25	5.00	0.50	1.15
		Longest	21.52	378.33	24.52	65.73

QS1 Care at Presentation	QS2 Pain Management	QS3 Orthogeriatric Model of Care	QS4 Timing of Surgery	QS5 Mobilisation & Weight Bearing	QS6 Minimising Risk of Another Fracture
Cognitive Assessment prior to surgery (123) 52%	Analgesia within 30 minutes of presentation (122) 80%	Clinical Frailty Assessment (123) 38%	Surgery Within 36 hours (116) 56%	First Day Walking (117) 49%	Bone Medication on Discharge (123) 33%
	Nerve Block prior to Transfer (0)	Post-op Delirium Assessment (123) 59%		New Pressure Injuries (123) 21%	Specialist Falls Assessment (123) 66%
	Nerve Block before or at surgery (123) 92%	Oral Nutritional Supplements (0)			

METHODOLOGY

Involve key stake holders:

- ED project
- Orthopaedic ward team
- Project mentor
- Heads of department

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Emergency Department

Orthopaedic Ward

 Associate CNM Nurse Practitioner Nurse Educator Registered Nurse Project lead

 Geriatrician Older Persons Health CNS Fracture Liaison CNS Complex Discharge Coordinator Physiotherapist Social Worker Project lead

ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS



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Emergency department:

- No time target despite fasttrack pathway
- No time target for pain assessment or analgesia
- Delays to x-ray/diagnosis
- Overnight boarding
- Transfers between satellite hospital ED's
- Inadequate nursing assessment documentation

ROOT CAUSE ANALYSIS



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Orthopaedic Ward:

Pathway implemented in 2015 - not updated since

Target LOS 4 days versus actual ALOS 8.71 days

Longest LOS 24.52 days

Absence of rehabilitation criteria

Insufficient Geriatricians to enable Ortho-Geriatrician model of care

Post-code inequity

Highest pressure injury rates 2022 ANZHFR report 20%

METHODOLOGY - PDSA CYCLE

Document development:

- Base Hospital ED pathway
- Hawera Hospital ED
- ERAS Pathway
- Rehabilitation referral form
 - multidisciplinary

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ED Fast-Track Pathway

- 4-hour LOS target
- Fast-track criteria
- Pain assessment within 30 minutes
- Analgesia within 30 minutes
- Nurse initiated x-ray
- Pressure injury assessment
- Pressure mattress
- Delirium assessment
- No overnight boarding
- Early bed booking
- Hawera ED direct admission to the ward

ERAS NOF Fracture Pathway

- TROC POD1
- Analgesia guidelines
- Bowel management guidelines
- Mobility targets
- Delirium assessment
- Pressure injury prevention automatic Bundle C
- LOS target 5 days
- Rehabilitation referral POD 3-4
- START program early supported discharge
- Rehabilitation criteria
- OPHRS CNS support referral process in absence of Geriatrician availability

ANALYSIS AND OUTCOMES:

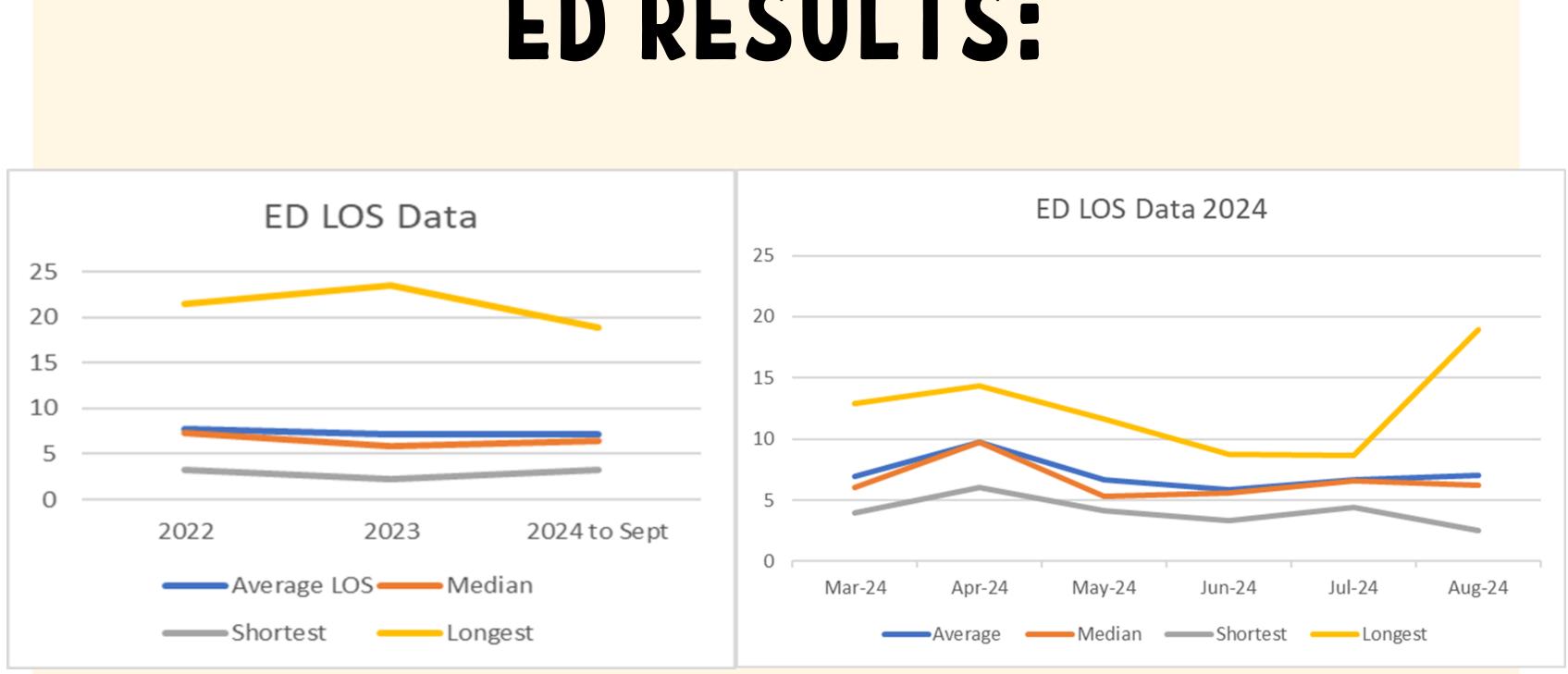
Ongoing auditing

Monitoring monthly **ANZHFR** data

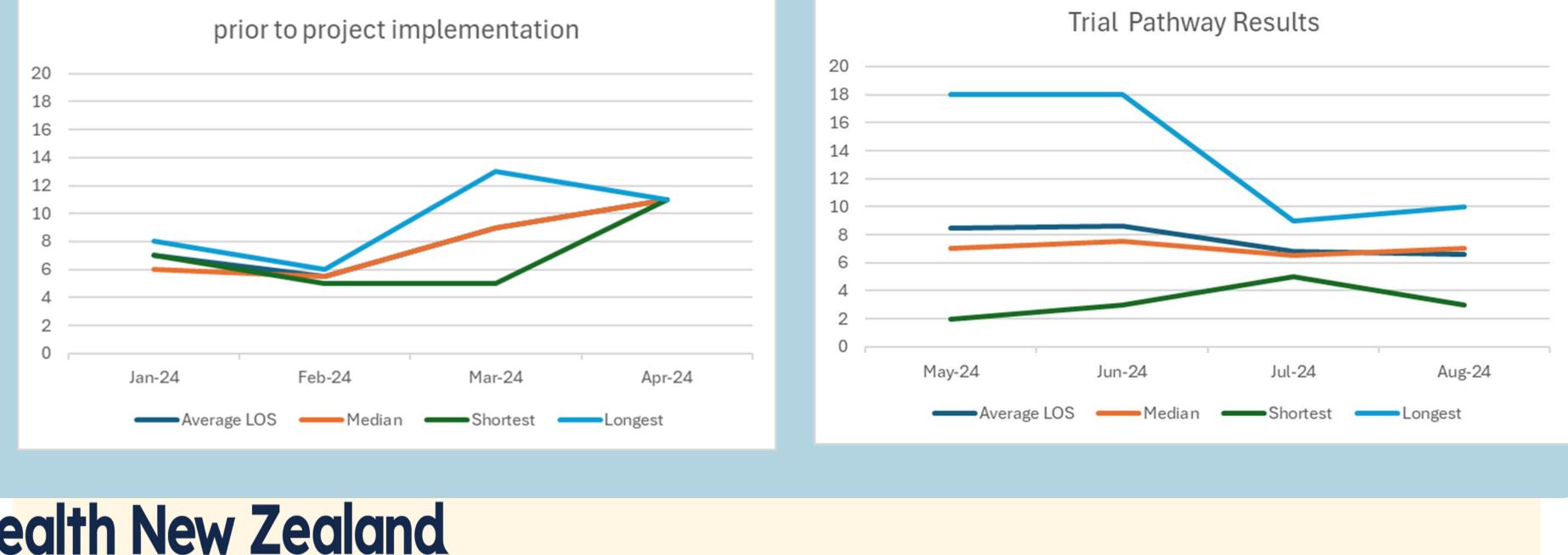
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Staff surveys

ED RESULTS:



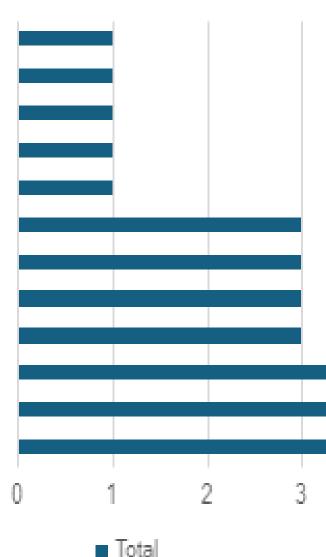
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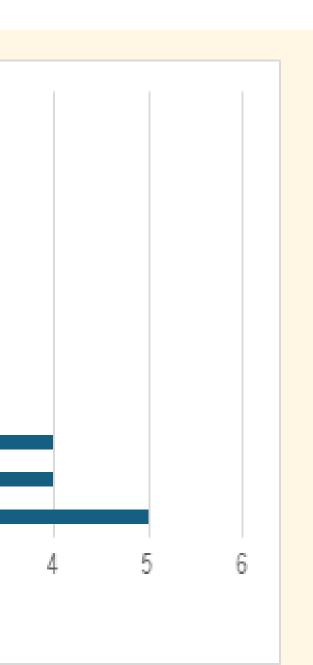


REASONS FOR DELAYED DISCHARGE OR TRANSFER TO REHAB:

PPPR Waiting for bed available EICATT Waiting for ACC respite in RH Hospice delays Reoperation Cardiac Waiting for increased LOC RH Waiting for bed available in ward 2A Delirium Hospital acquired pneumonia MDT clearance to home Waiting for bed available in Hawera







RESULTS - PRESSURE INJURY:

2022 - 21%



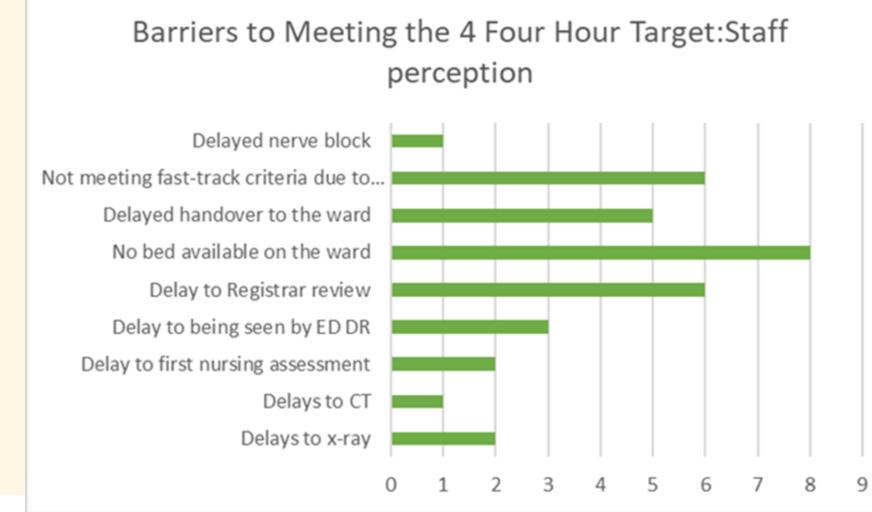
2023 - 2%

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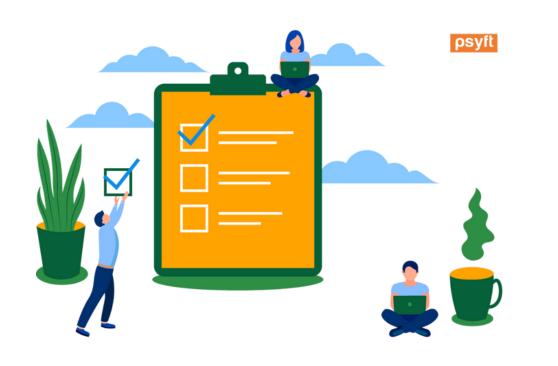
2024 - 4%





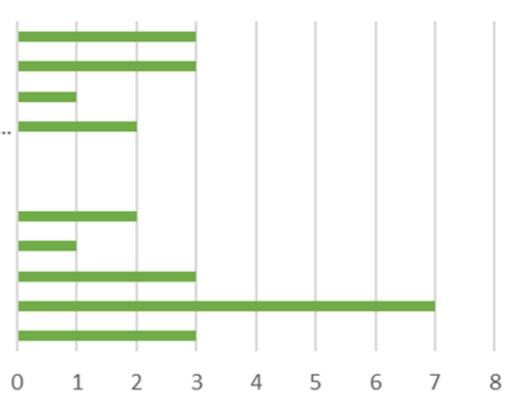
ED STAFF SURVEY:

No fast-track pathway in notes Hawera patients not fast-tracked Delayed nerve block Not meeting fast-track criteria due to ... Delayed handover to the ward No bed available on the ward Delay to Registrar review Delay to being seen by ED DR Delay to first nursing assessment Delays to CT Delays to x-ray



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Barriers to the 4 Hour Target According to Notes Audit



ED - IMPROVING NURSING ASSESSMENTS:

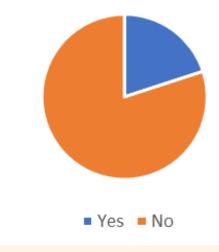


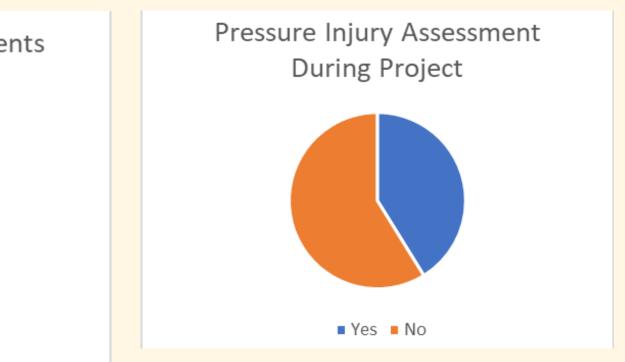
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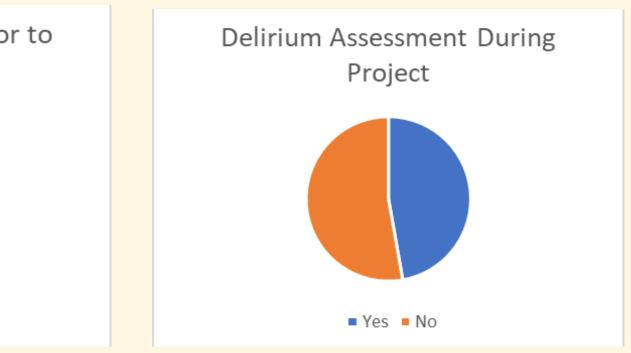
Pressure Injury Assessments Prior to Project



Delirium Assessment Prior to Project







STAFF SURVEYS -WARD:



Not aware there was one

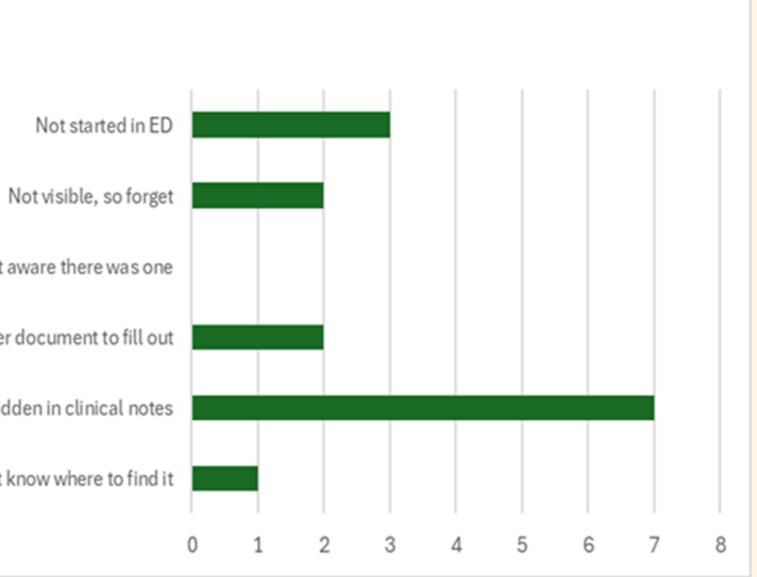
Another document to fill out

Hidden in clinical notes

Don't know where to find it

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Barriers to Using Pathway:



LIMITATIONS:



- Project lead not working within the ED
- Large workforce to influence
- Individuals not following pathway/completing pathway form
- Geriatricians underresourced
- Post-code inequity
- Delays from rehab referral to acceptance to transfer 1-14 days
- Large project still more work to do

RECOMMENDATIONS:



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 Prioritisation of imaging CNS and NP involvement in NOF # admissions including performing nerve blocks • Increase FTE of Geriatricians to enable the orthogeriatric model of care & speedier rehab acceptance • Reduce delays from rehab referral to transfer • One rehabilitation services across Taranaki - Reduce post-code inequity ERAS pathway document improvements

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