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Breast Disease Site

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Vision of the Co-Leads

- Address controversies in the diagnosis and treatment of breast cancer to harmonize care
- Support each other in clinical trial recruitment, improve knowledge of active trials and treat more breast cancer patients on trials
- Support each other's efforts in cancer quality & innovation



What are the Successes?



- **Creating a network culture**

- Important collaboration among the RCN sites
- Multidisciplinary steering committee meeting quarterly including pathology, medical oncology, radio-oncology, surgical oncology, and research

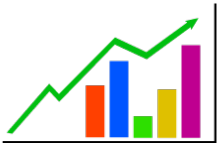


- **Harmonizing care across the RCN**

- Delineating the trajectory of breast cancer patients at the RCN hospitals and finding mutual consensus.

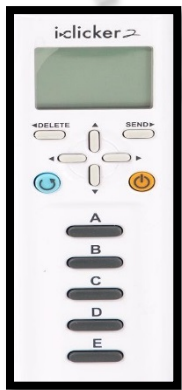
- **Acting on quality indicators**

- Shared support to improve quality of care based on indicator results:
 - Ex. BR2: focusing on improving accrual into clinical trials

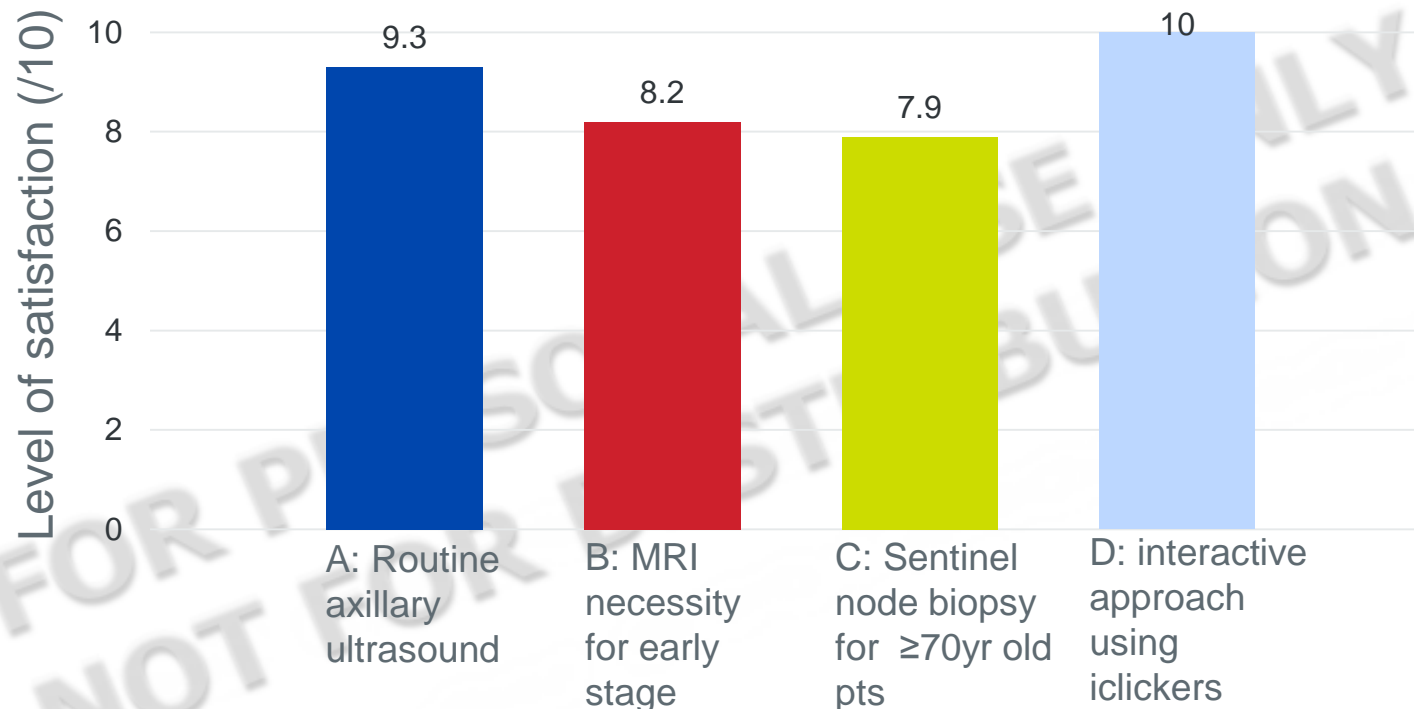


Harmonizing care: Consensus on Treatment and Diagnosis

- RCN Meeting initiative on November 1st, 2017 addressed the following:
 - Routine axillary ultrasound and biopsy of nodes
 - MRI necessity in stage I and II breast cancer
 - Sentinel node biopsy in women ≥ 70 years with hormone-positive breast cancer
- Multidisciplinary participation across RCN: Medical oncologists, radiation oncologists, surgical oncologists, and radiologists attended the meeting (21 attendees)
- Literature review related to the topics was sent to participants before the meeting
- To facilitate the discussion, i-clickers were provided for the participants to vote for their responses



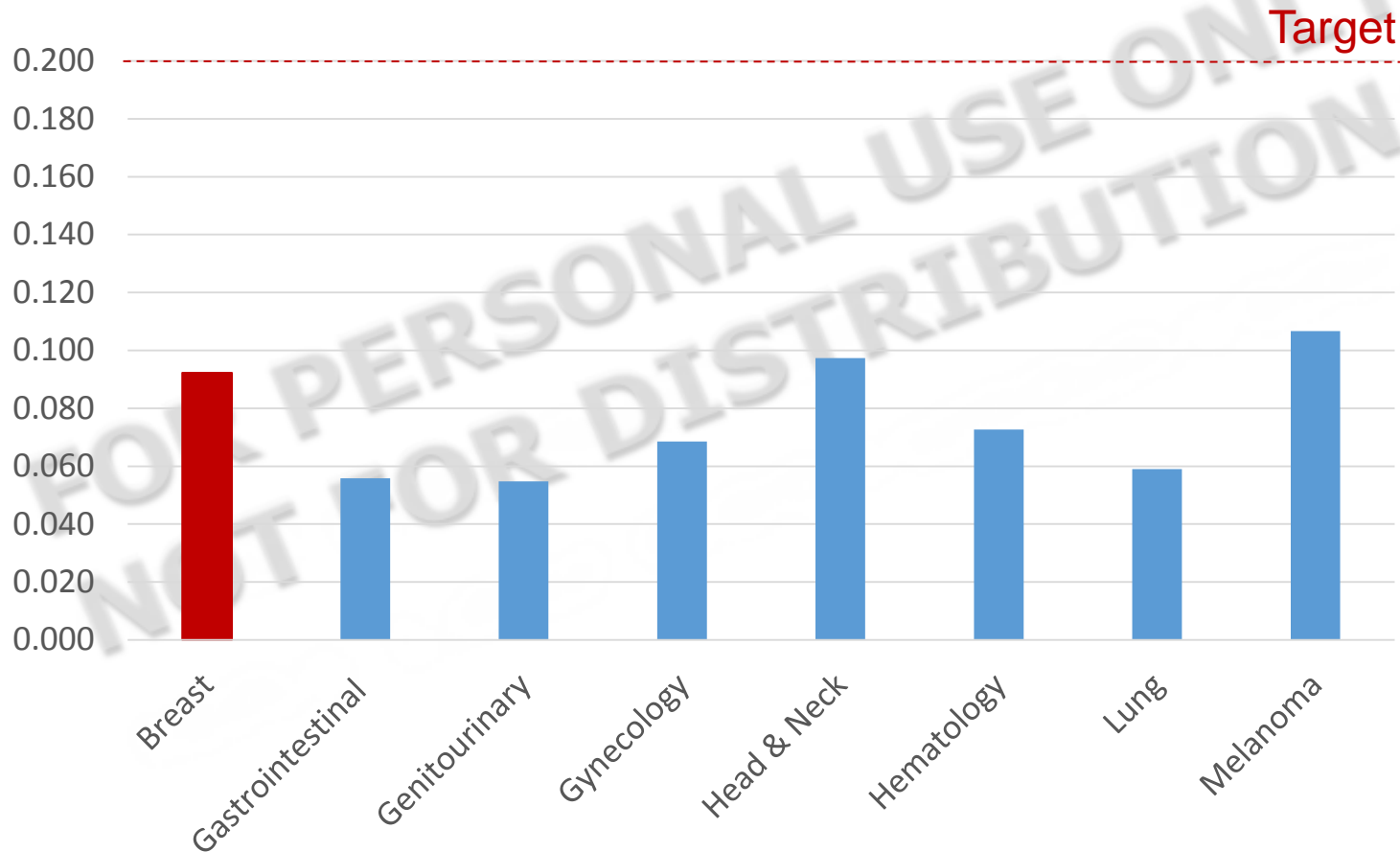
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- Future topics to address:
 - Treatment focused genetic testing for BRCA1 and BRCA2
 - Neoadjuvant chemotherapy for TNBC and HER 2 positive

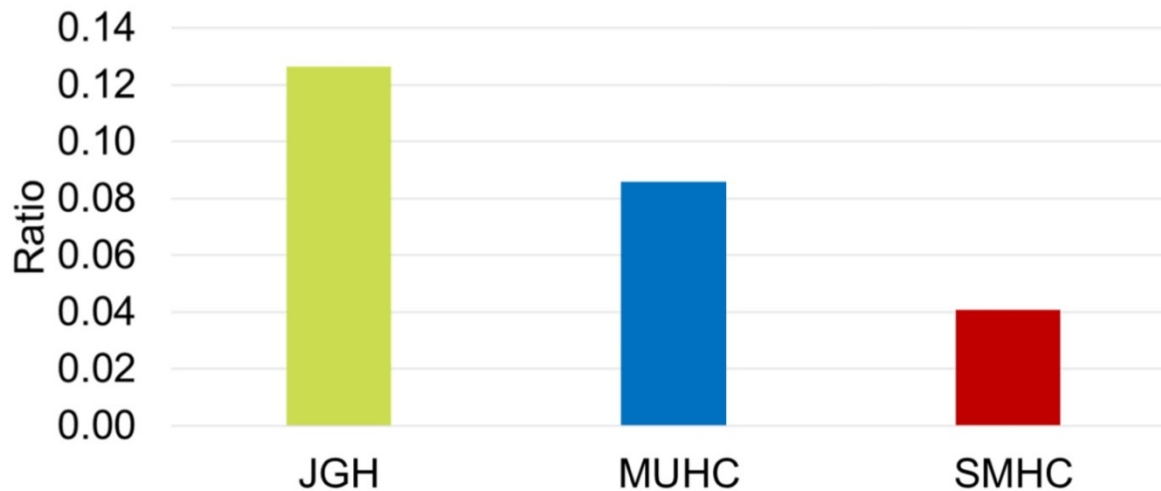


Acting on quality indicators: BR2- accrual ratio of breast cancer patients into interventional clinical trials



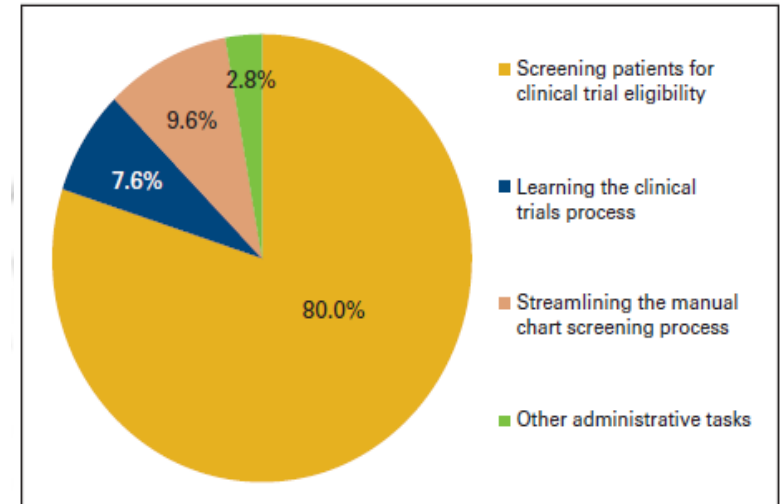
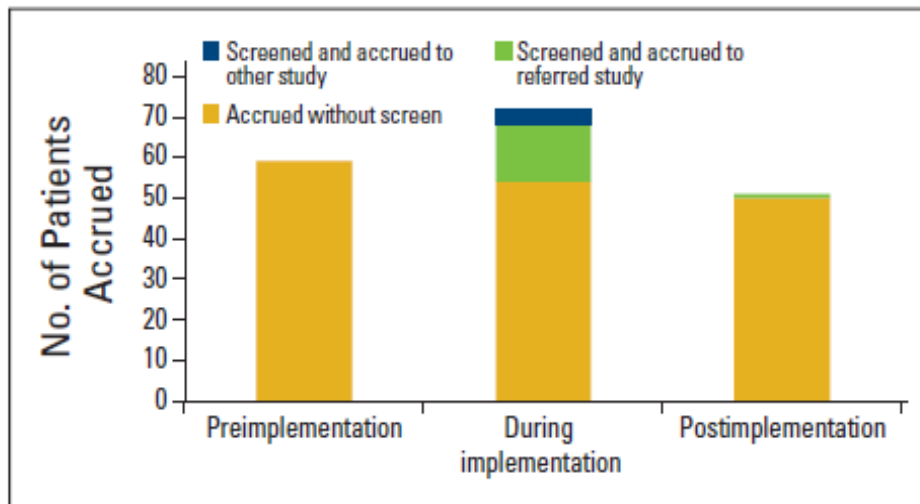
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Fig 2: Ratio of breast cancer patients enrolled in treatment-based clinical trials to number of incident cases - 2016



Evidence based-intervention to improve accrual activity

- 4-month intervention (**prescreening coordinator**) at BC cancer agency improved accrual into phase II-IV oncology trials.



- Similarly, at Meharry Medical College, 4-year intervention (**prescreening coordinator**) increased accrual rate by 12% in oncology trials.
- Ohio State University Comprehensive Cancer Center implemented an awareness driven intervention targeted for patients and caregivers for 3 years (**promotional tools**). This resulted in 40% increase in accrual activity.



PROJECT GOAL

To improve prescreening and accrual of breast cancer patients into interventional clinical trials

OBJECTIVES

To implement a method to prescreen new breast cancer patients

To create promotional materials for clinical trial awareness



STRATEGY / INTERVENTIONS

To develop tools (prescreening worksheets or electronic tools linking to Oacis or Endovault)

To hire and train DS breast facilitator

To capture accrual metrics **every 6 months**

To develop pamphlets, clinical trial participant testimonial posters, buttons (Ask you doctor about a clinical trial), and clinical trials video

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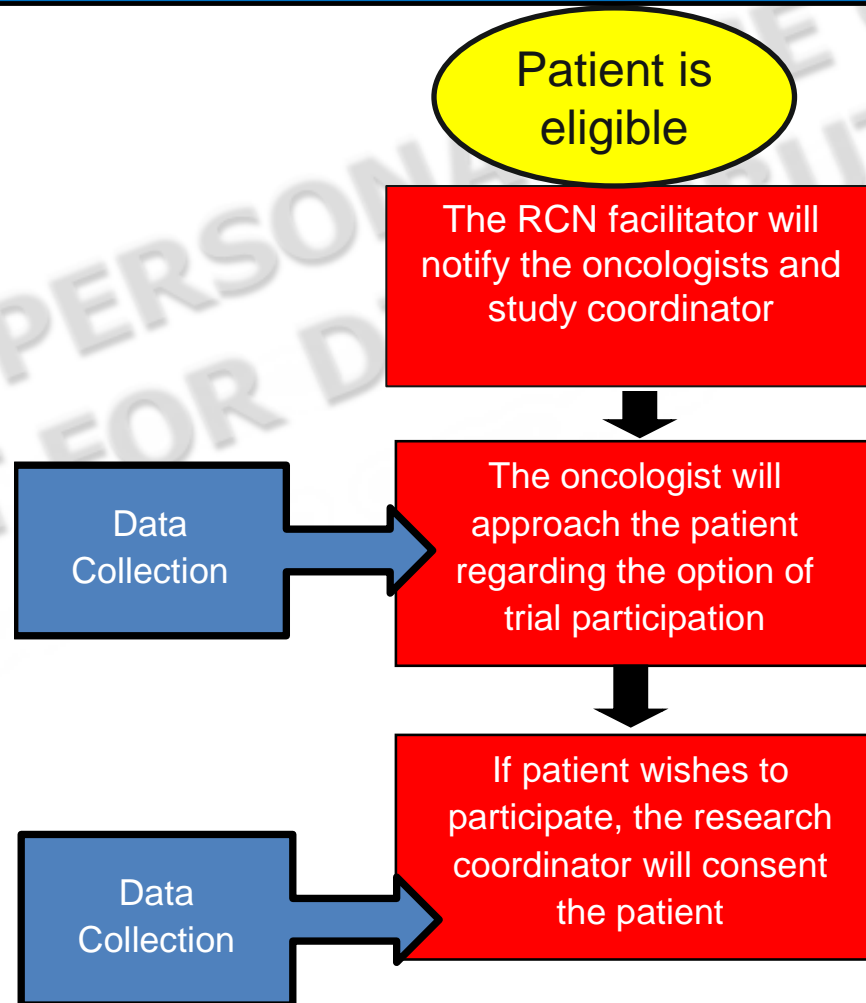
Improved accrual rate by 50%

Accuracy of prescreening by 80%

Increased N° of patients receptive to clinical trials

Objective 1: Prescreening breast cancer patients

The RCN facilitator will prescreen the breast cancer patients for clinical trial eligibility by reviewing the medical records (clinical history, imaging, laboratory results, pathology results).



Objective 2: Clinical Trial awareness

- **Develop promotional materials:**
 - Clinical trials brochure
 - “Ask me about clinical trials” Buttons
 - Testimonial video in waiting area
- Elucidate in the promotional materials the **reasons to participate in trials:**
 - Medical treatments that work for patients that would otherwise not receive
 - Closely monitored by medical staff
 - Satisfaction in contributing to advance medical study

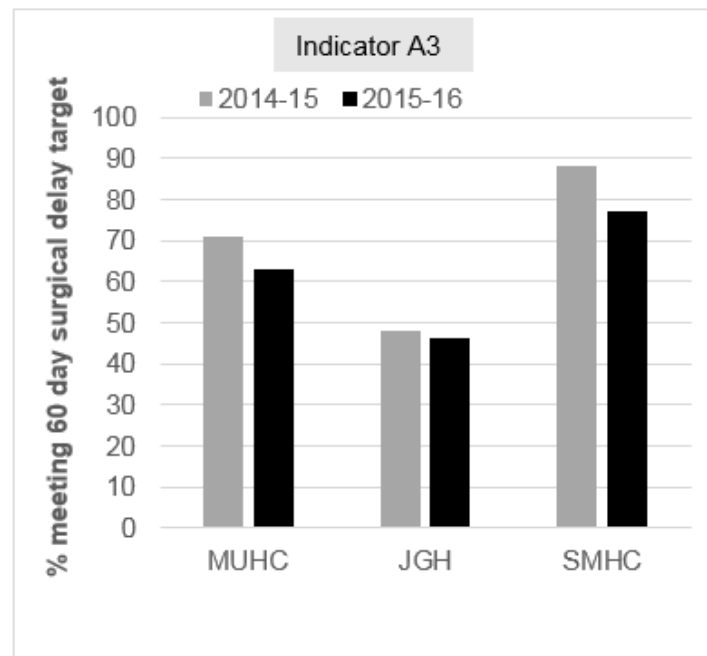
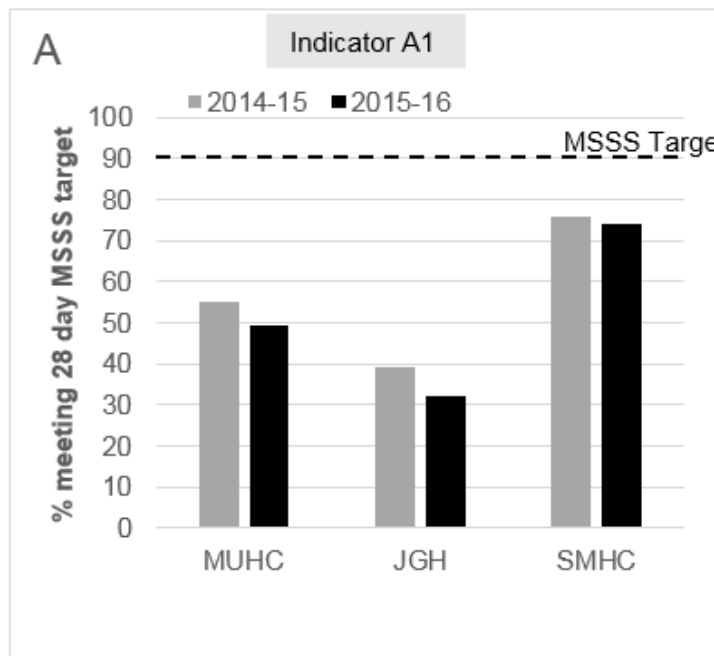
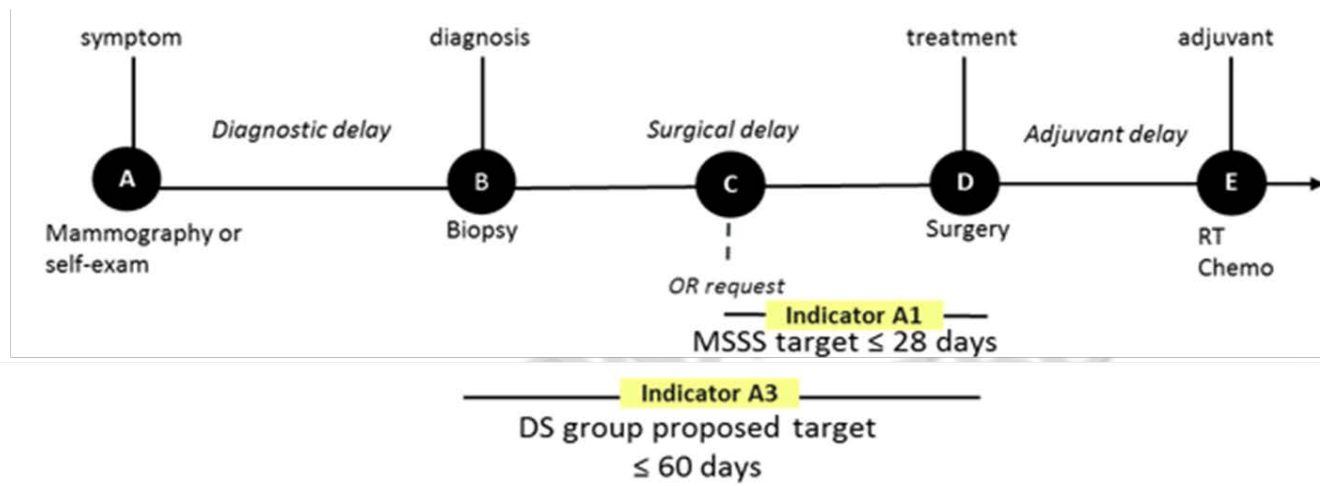


Working through the challenges

- **Project approval at the 3 sites**
 - Quality improvement program versus IRB
- **Keeping list of clinical trials updated**
 - Especially umbrella trials with different cohorts
- **Clinical trial engagement**
 - Patient and physician perception of trials
- How best to **flag / inform physicians** of potential patient eligibility?
 - Different systems at the 3 hospitals (Endovault vs paper vs Oacis vs Email?)
 - How to record each step by step?
- **Changing physician practice**
 - Getting physicians on board with the project



Acting on quality indicators: BR1-Surgical delays from biopsy to surgery



Challenge: Reducing surgical delays

| | MUHC | JGH | SMHC | RCN | Manitoba | Ontario |
|-----------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-----------|-----------|
| N | 552 | 553 | 241 | 1436 | N/A | N/A |
| Average | 52.5 | 62.3 | 41.4 | 54.3 | | |
| Median | 50.0 | 63.0 | 37.0 | 53.0 | 39 | 35 |
| 75 th percentile | 68.0 | 76.0 | 50.5 | 70.0 | 54 | 48 |
| 90 th percentile | 85.0 | 92.6 | 73.6 | 86.0 | 71 | 65 |

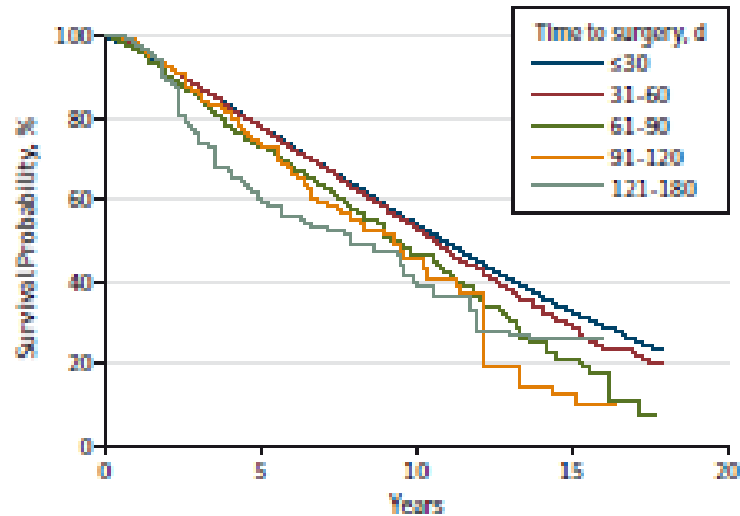
- MUHC and JGH have longer delays to surgery, with a median time to delay of **7 weeks and 8.6 weeks** respectively.
- Some causes for delays are patient-driven but most likely, these are system or physician driven, such as performing more extensive imaging studies (ex. MRI) or workups, and OR availability.



Challenge: Choosing the target

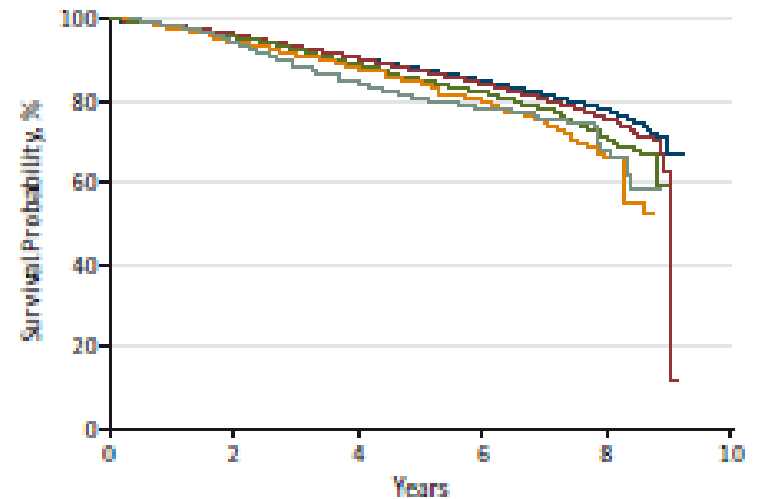
Figure 1. Adjusted Overall Survival

A SEER-Medicare



| No. at risk | ≤30 d | 31-60 d | 61-90 d | 91-120 d | 121-180 d |
|-------------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|
| ≤30 d | 73 491 | 38 075 | 10 870 | 2 386 | |
| 31-60 d | 17 345 | 6 370 | 1 132 | 212 | |
| 61-90 d | 2 586 | 760 | 110 | 12 | |
| 91-120 d | 686 | 235 | 24 | 4 | |
| 121-180 d | 436 | 121 | 16 | 3 | |

B NCDB



| No. at risk | ≤30 d | 31-60 d | 61-90 d | 91-120 d | 121-180 d |
|-------------|--------|---------|---------|----------|-----------|
| ≤30 d | 80 505 | 73 422 | 66 532 | 43 354 | 5 811 |
| 31-60 d | 28 832 | 26 272 | 23 643 | 14 721 | 1 783 |
| 61-90 d | 4 697 | 4 163 | 3 667 | 2 170 | 247 |
| 91-120 d | 1 152 | 991 | 854 | 497 | 40 |
| 121-180 d | 604 | 513 | 413 | 239 | 27 |

Adjusted overall survival for Surveillance, Epidemiology, and End Results (SEER)-Medicare Database patients (A) and National Cancer Database (NCDB) patients (B) for preoperative delay intervals of ≤30, 31-60, 61-90, 91-120, and 121-180 days. The hazard ratio for each increasing delay in SEER-Medicare interval was 1.09 (95% CI, 1.06-1.13; $P < .001$). The hazard ratio for each increasing delay interval in NCDB was 1.10 (95% CI, 1.07-1.13; $P < .001$).

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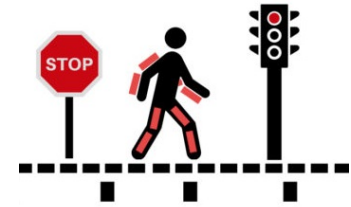


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Working through the challenges



- Is 60-day a reasonable target for this indicator?
 - Should we have different targets based on priority level?
 - (ex. CCO has 14 days, 28 days, 84 days – DCIS vs invasive breast mass)
- Much of the challenge is in meeting MSSS 28-day delay from OR request to Surgery:
 - Hospital system admin issue
 - Could we envision a wait-list management system?



Moving forward...

- Improving communication and participation
 - Encouraging colleagues to voice their opinion and be involved in collaborative problem solving
- Identify indicators together that will have the **greatest impact on patient care** and upon which our group can act!





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