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# **ED - The Journey**



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## Background

- Around 100,000 ED attendances per year, and rising
- An aging population, with pockets of extreme poverty and poor health.
- Keogh, Care Quality Commission and Health Education East Midlands identifying areas for improvement.
- A National picture of recruitment challenges for ED medical and nursing staff.





### Background cont.

- Low numbers of ED medical trainees leaving gaps in the rotas
- Additional team pressures due to long term sickness and a maternity leave.
- Need to maintain good quality training & supervision But ...
- In year improvements in the 4 hour target
- A stable and highly valued ED nursing team.





#### So What Have We Done ?

- 1 and 3 year workforce plan developed, and approved at Workforce & OD Cmt 17 March 2016.
- New ED Junior Doctors Forums.
- Developed a Standard Operating Procedure for consultants for consistency and accountability.
- Sepsis Improved performance including screening, documentation and mortality

#### Appointment of a Lead Consultant





### So What Have we Done?

- Appointment of 3 long term locum consultants reducing the use of casual locums improving patient safety.
- Integrated ED/Acute Physician working 1pm to 7pm week days.
- Developed an ED rota management policy
- Appointed a new Governance Lead to strengthen the departments Governance Framework





#### So Where Are We Now ?

- 4 hour target at 94.53% YTD from 92.33% last year
- •Enhanced consultant cover 2.30 to 10.30 pm, 7 days to match peak demand.
- All Trainee, ANP and CESR education and supervision needs met – HEEM action plan
- CESR and ANP programmes in place. Giving long term succession planning for the team.

 Sepsis – improved performance on screening, documentation and mortality





## **Future Challenges**

- Recruitment to 10 consultants
- Embed Rapid Assessment and Treatment model
- Strengthen succession planning through CESR, Advanced Practitioner programme, and improved trainee experience.
- Integrated specialty/advanced practitioner rota
- Improved team working, leading to workforce stability.