



CorHealth COVID-19 Vascular Stakeholder Forum #11

September 23, 2020 8:00-9:00 am

Teleconference: (647) 951-8467 / Toll Free: 1 (844) 304-7743

Conference ID: 9295169#

Agenda

TIME	DISCUSSION	ACTION REQUIRED	LEAD
8:00	1. Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Forum Objectives 	Information	Sheila Jarvis
8:05	2. Optimizing Care Through COVID-19 Pandemic Transmission Scenarios <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Presentation & Open Forum Discussion 	Information & Discussion	Dr. Chris Simpson
8:40	3. Vascular Activity Report <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Highlights / trends from current reporting period 	Information & Discussion	Mirna Rahal
8:45	4. Impact of Wait Times on Vascular Patient Outcomes <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To investigate the consequences of longer wait time on the AAA population in the context of COVID-19 	Information	Mirna Rahal
8:55	5. Next Steps	Discussion	Mike Setterfield



Welcome

SHEILA JARVIS

Meeting Objectives

1. To review and discuss the new report from Dr. Chris Simpson's team regarding maintaining care throughout the phases of COVID-19
2. To review recent trends in vascular activity
3. To discuss modelling work around the potential impact of wait times on vascular patient outcomes

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- *Please be aware that when the call is put on hold, we often hear hold music or persistent beeping*



Optimizing Care Through COVID-19 Pandemic Transmission Scenarios

DR. CHRIS SIMPSON

Today' Objectives

- Provide a brief overview of the draft document 'Optimizing Care Through COVID-19 Pandemic Transmission Scenarios'
- Answer questions and gather feedback

Committee Objectives

- Provide health care providers and organizations with a principle-based set of recommendations that draw from lessons learned in wave 1 of the pandemic:
 - Ensure continued care for all patients in future waves
 - Ensure care partner participation in future waves
- Provide one document in order to advance the goal of an integrated health system across acute care, outpatient care, primary care, and home and community care
- Adapt the WHO's COVID-19 transmission scenarios to frame key recommendations for each transmission scenario








Planning Assumptions

- In any future pandemic wave, care will continue to be provided to all types of patients/clients, including those who have COVID-19 and those who do not
- Across all sectors: emergency, urgent, and time-sensitive care should not be deferred
- Equitable and patient-centred approach, ensuring patients/clients are supported and care partners/caregivers remain an integral part of the care team
- Protecting the health and safety of patients/clients, health care workers, and the community remains paramount
- A heightened level of regional/sub-regional oversight, coordination, and flexibility for the foreseeable future
- Changes to care activities (including increasing and decreasing activity) will be asymmetrical between organizations and regions based on their local context
- The different sectors of the health care system are interdependent, and a change in one part of the care continuum may affect the delivery of care in others. Increased collaboration across health care, social services, municipal and provincial services is needed to address social determinants of health
- Health care organizations and providers will act as good stewards of available resources, including PPE
- Testing, contact tracing, and isolation (when indicated) continue appropriately
- Health equity considerations and the need to protect vulnerable populations will be addressed

Document Outline

- Regional/sub-regional approach with recommendations to COVID-19 regional/sub-regional steering committees
- High-level recommendations to all sectors and sector-specific strategies relevant to five COVID-19 transmission scenarios (adapted from [WHO](#)):
 1. No cases
 2. Sporadic cases
 3. Cluster of cases
 4. Community transmission
 - A. Moderate community transmission
 - B. Widespread community transmission
- In support of learning/sharing, includes examples from organizations across Ontario (e.g., regional collaboration, partnerships, virtual care, and innovations to optimize capacity)

DRAFT Optimizing Care Through COVID-19 Transmission Scenarios

	Plan	Ready	Implement	Scale Up	Intensify
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Discussion

- Do these recommendations for each transmission scenario resonate?
- We welcome questions or feedback on the draft recommendations

Next Steps

- Finalize the document with additional input from regional leadership and other system leaders
- Release date: Mid to late September



Thank You

Committee Membership List (1/2)

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Care Partner






- In this document, care partners or family caregivers, are family, friends, neighbours, colleagues, or community members who provide critical and often ongoing personal, social, psychological and physical support, assistance and care, for people in need of support due to frailty, illness, degenerative disease, physical/cognitive/mental disability, or end of life circumstances. Care partners are distinct from casual visitors

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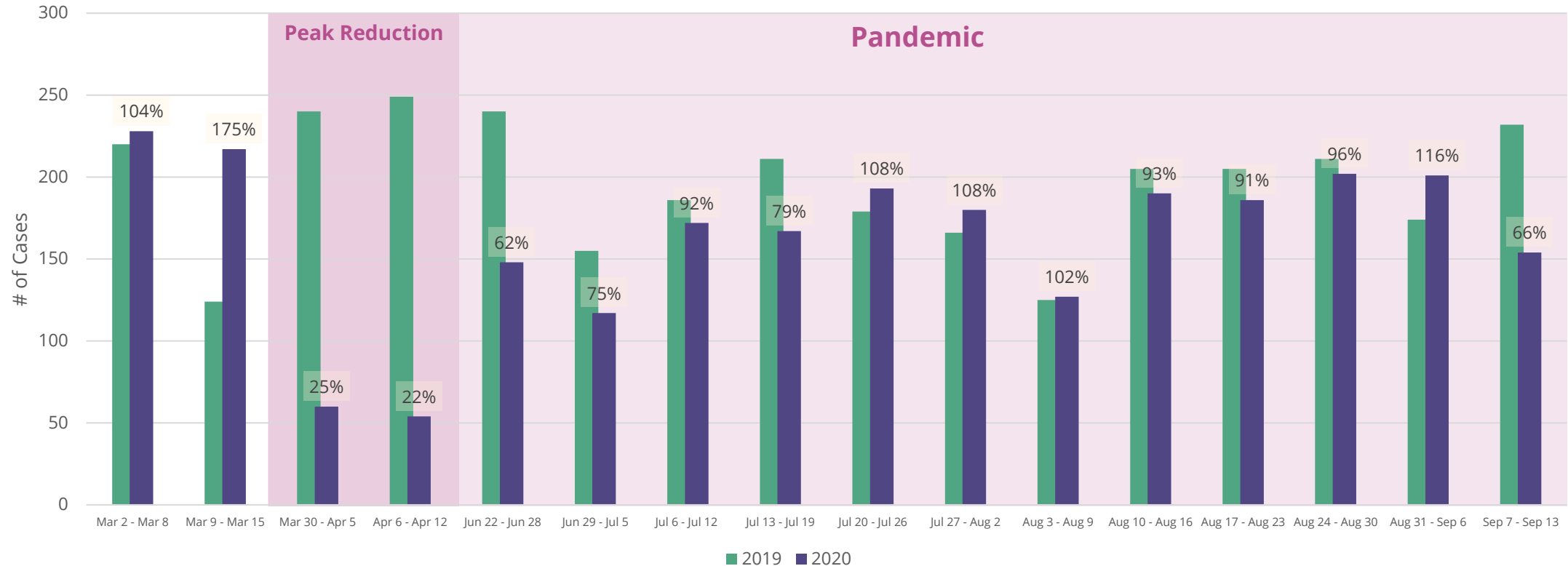
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Vascular Activity Report Highlights

MIRNA RAHAL

Overall Scheduled Vascular Surgery Volumes 2020 vs 2019 – Ontario



Notes: Data are from Access to Care WTIS, CY 2019 and 2020

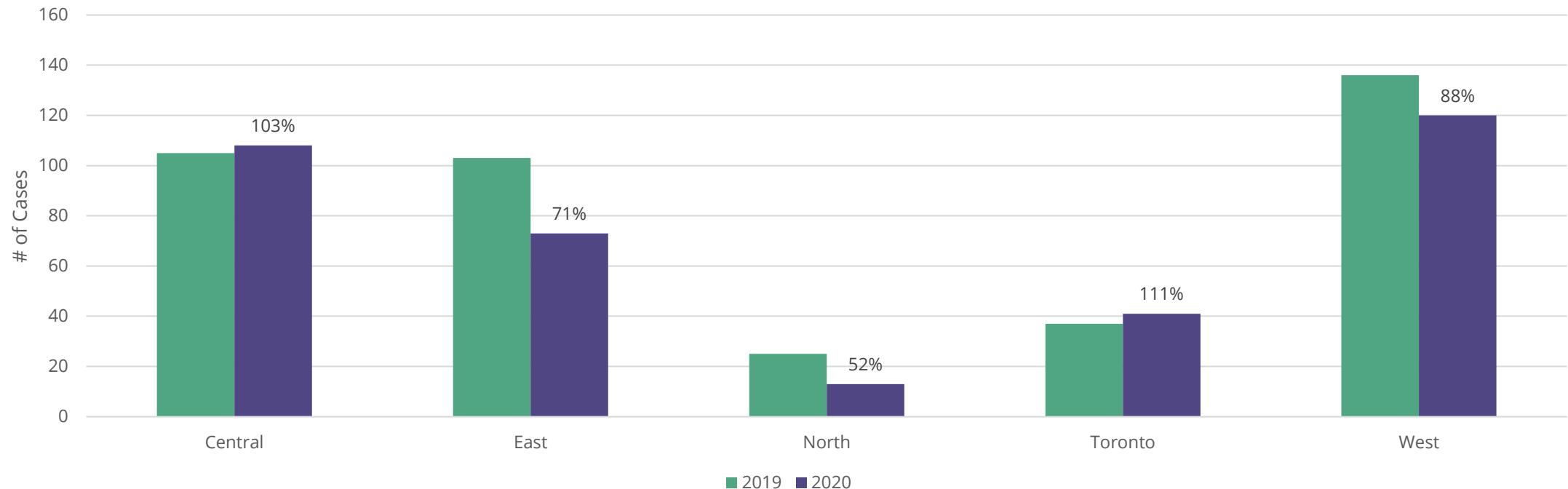
Each 2020 week is shown on the horizontal axis; 2019 volumes represent volumes from the equivalent Monday to Sunday week in 2019

Percentage value above each bar is the 2020 volume as a percentage of the 2019 volume, or ≤5 for volumes ≤5.

In 2020, March Break occurred from March 16-22, 2020. It was a week earlier in 2019, from March 11-17, 2019. In 2020, Labour Day was on Sept 7; in 2019, it was a week earlier, on Sept 2.

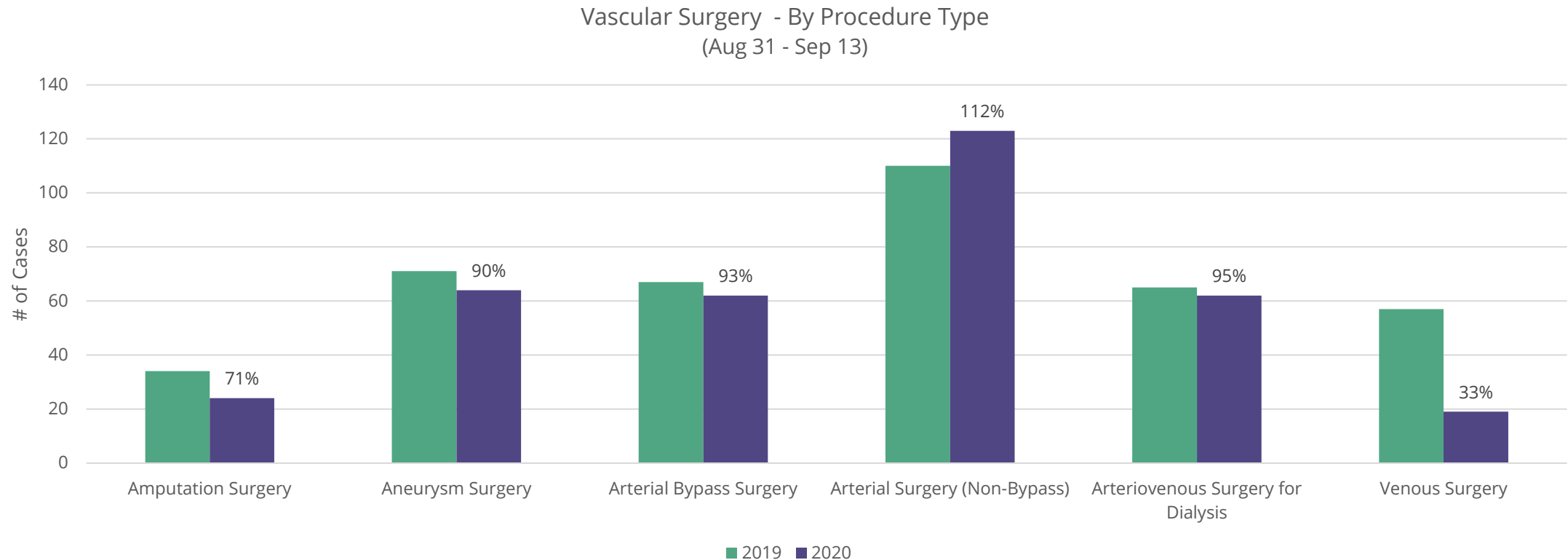
Overall Scheduled Vascular Surgery Volumes 2020 vs 2019 – By Region

Overall Vascular Surgery - By Region
(Aug 31 - Sep 13)



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Scheduled Vascular Surgery Volumes 2020 vs 2019 – By Procedure Type



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Impact of Wait Times on Vascular Patient Outcomes

MIRNA RAHAL

Purpose

Examine consequences of longer wait time on Abdominal Aortic Aneurysm (AAA) population in the context of COVID-19, using the measures below*

- Death on waitlist
- Urgent admissions
- Ruptures
- Hospital inpatient deaths
- Hospital length of stay

*Wait time data is not yet available, and will be included future versions of this analysis

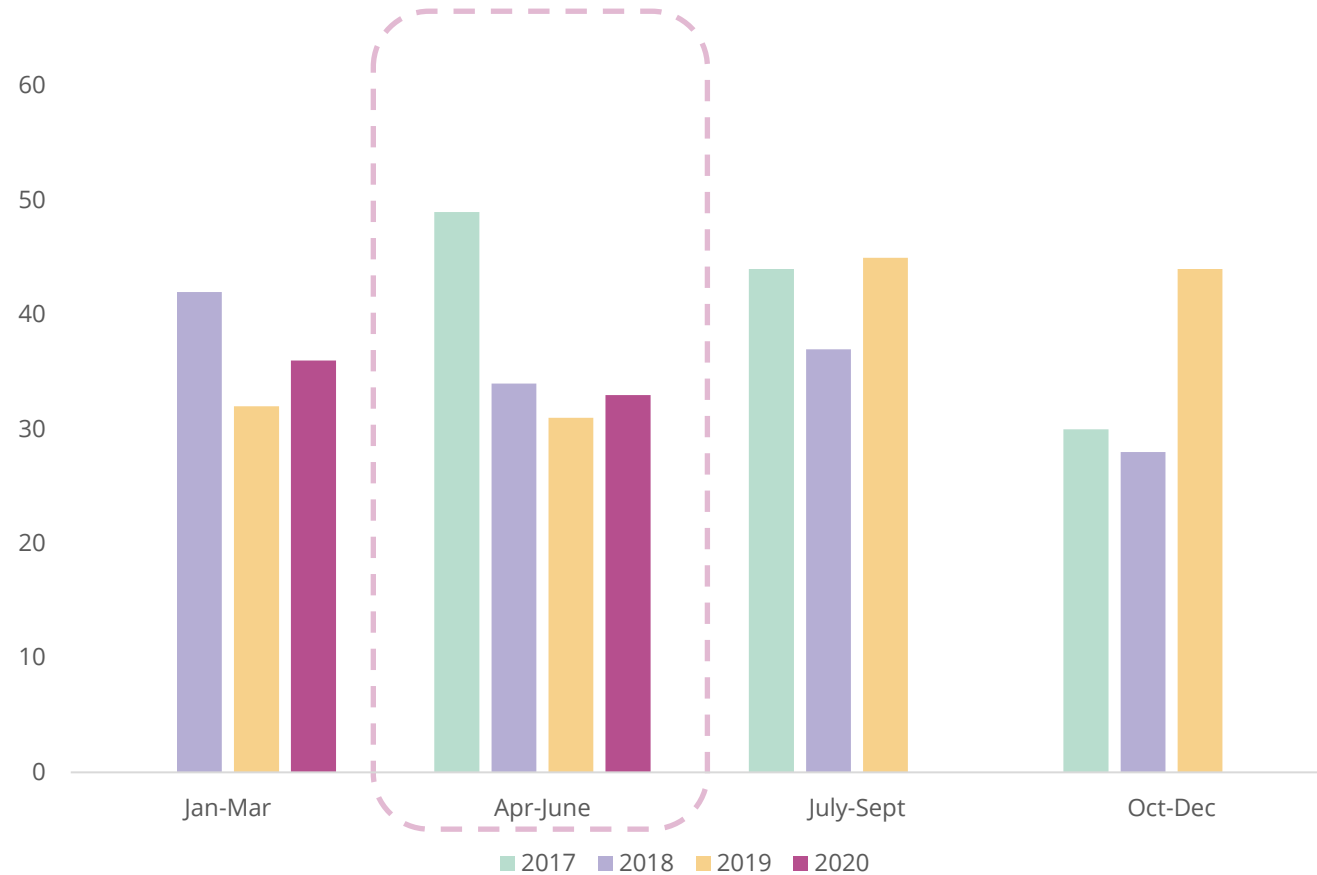
Discussion Questions for Consideration

- Do the presented findings resonate with your local experiences?
- Do you have insights regarding factors that might help explain these findings?
- Are the selected measures the appropriate ones to monitor?
- Do you have any suggestions for additional/modified analysis?

Death on waitlist

- ≤ 5 patients in 2019 (occurred between March and September)
- 6 patients in 2020 (data up to September 6th)

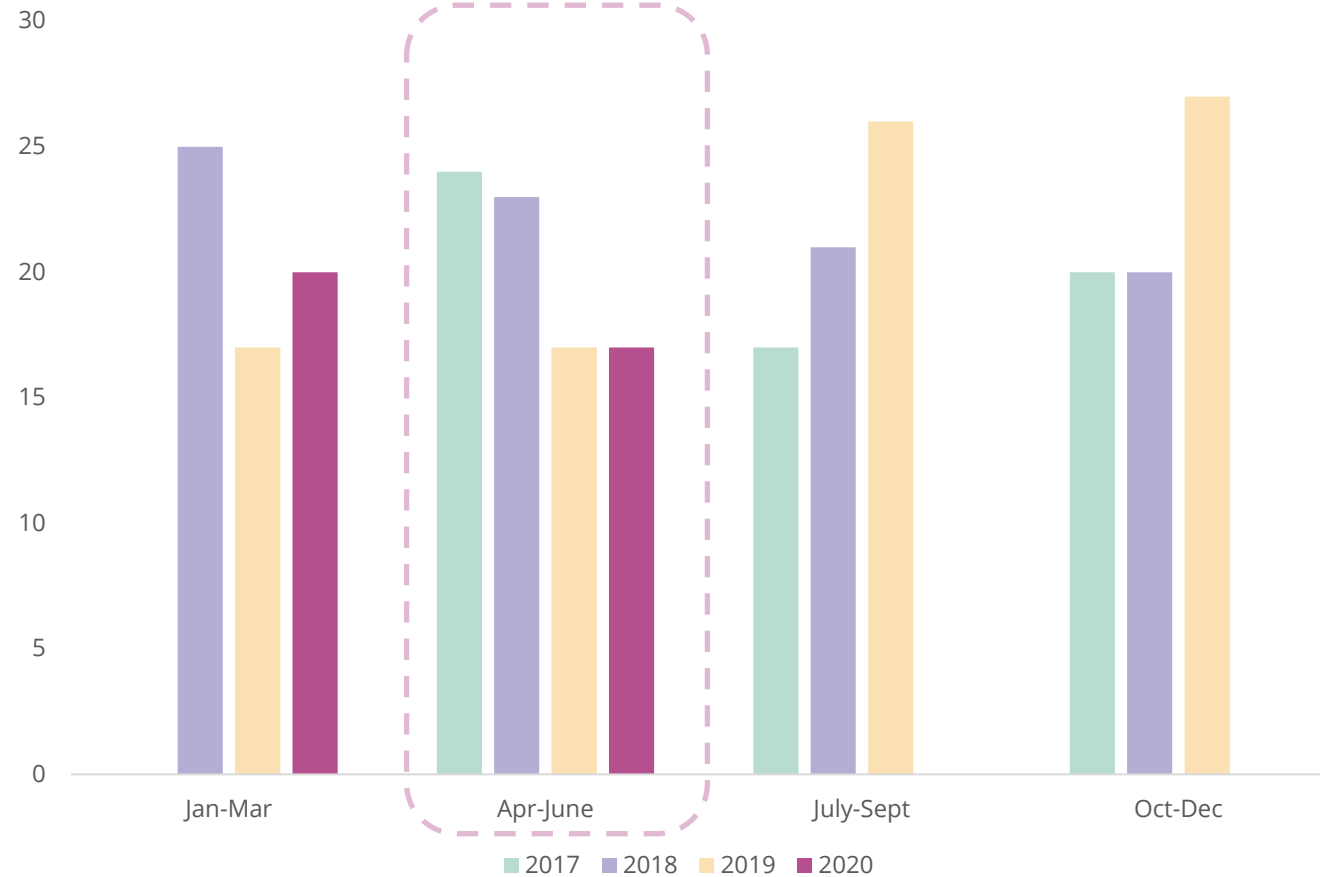
Number of urgent AAA Admissions



Source: IDS Hamilton

- Based on the presented graph we do not see an effect of the pandemic on urgent AAA cases

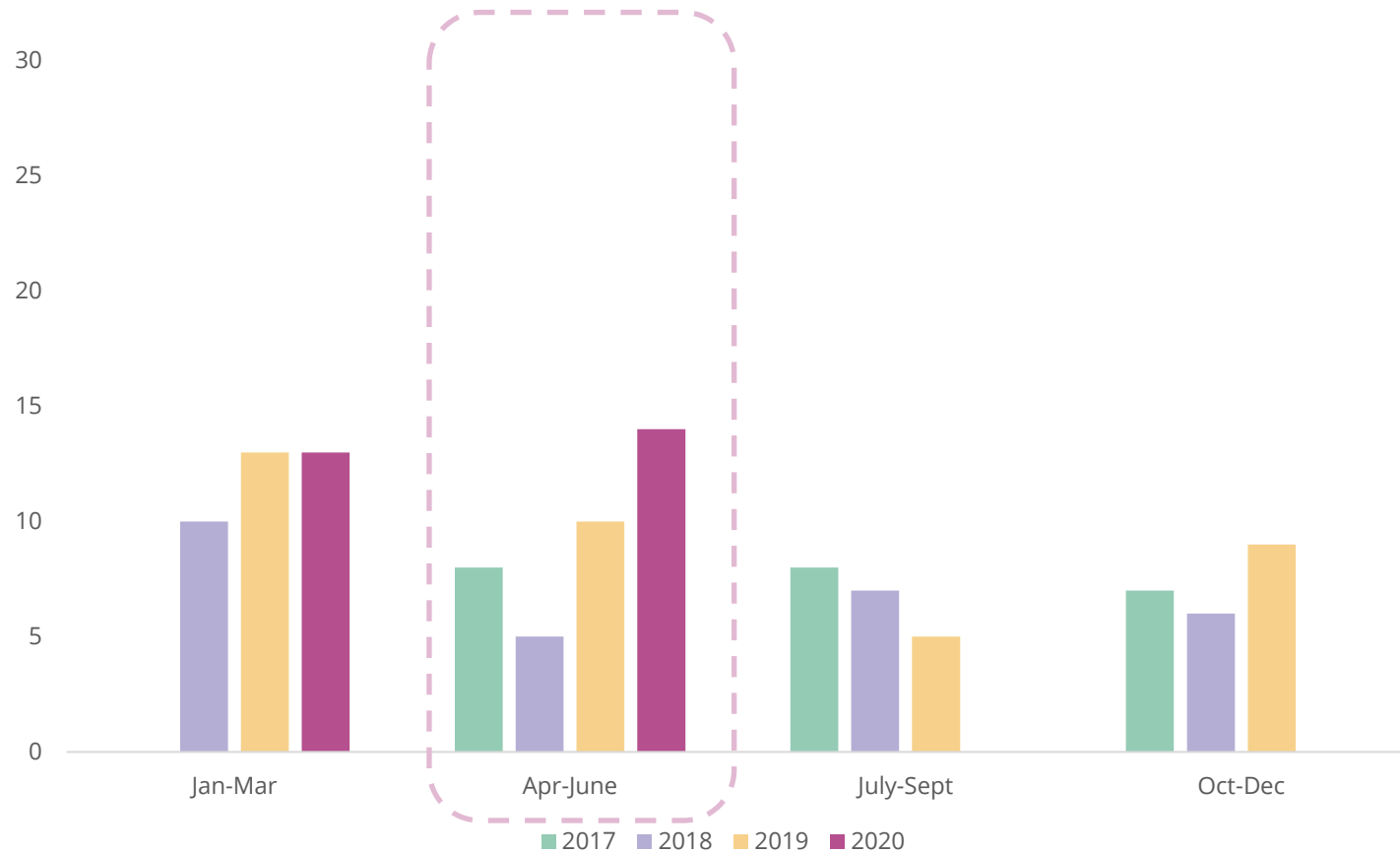
Inpatient Cases with Rupture



Source: IDS Hamilton

- Based on the presented graph we do not see an effect of the pandemic on inpatient cases with rupture

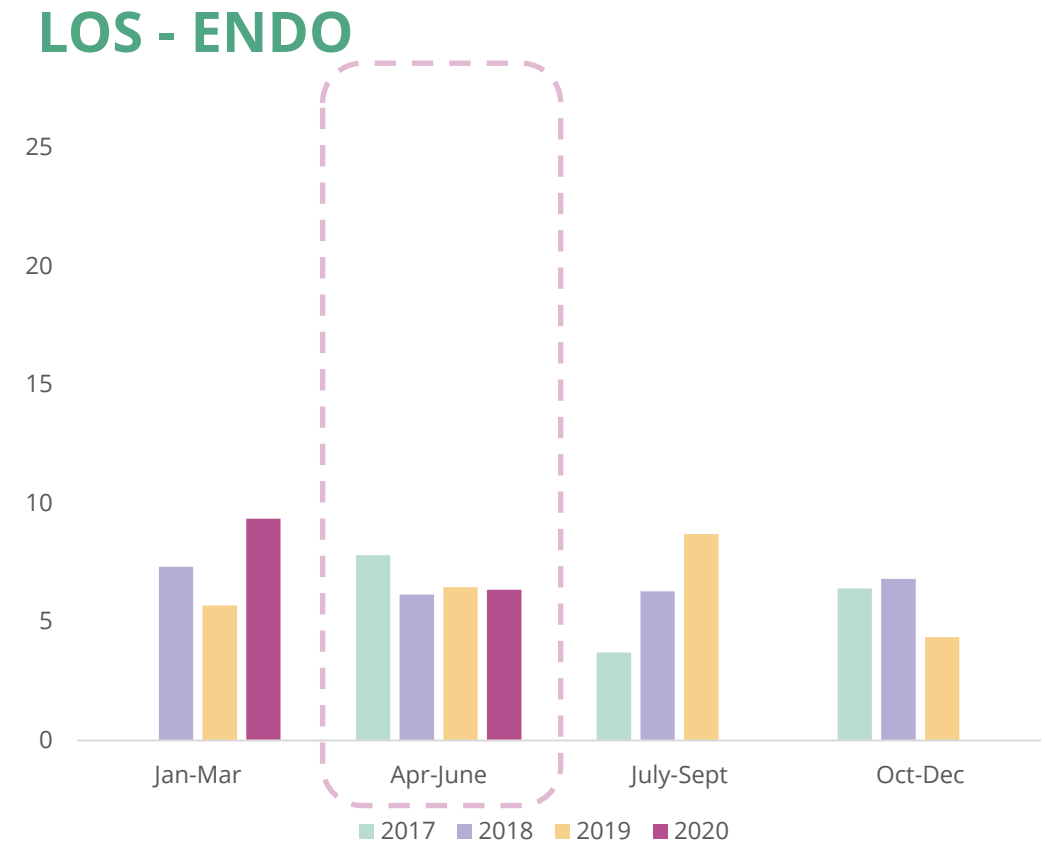
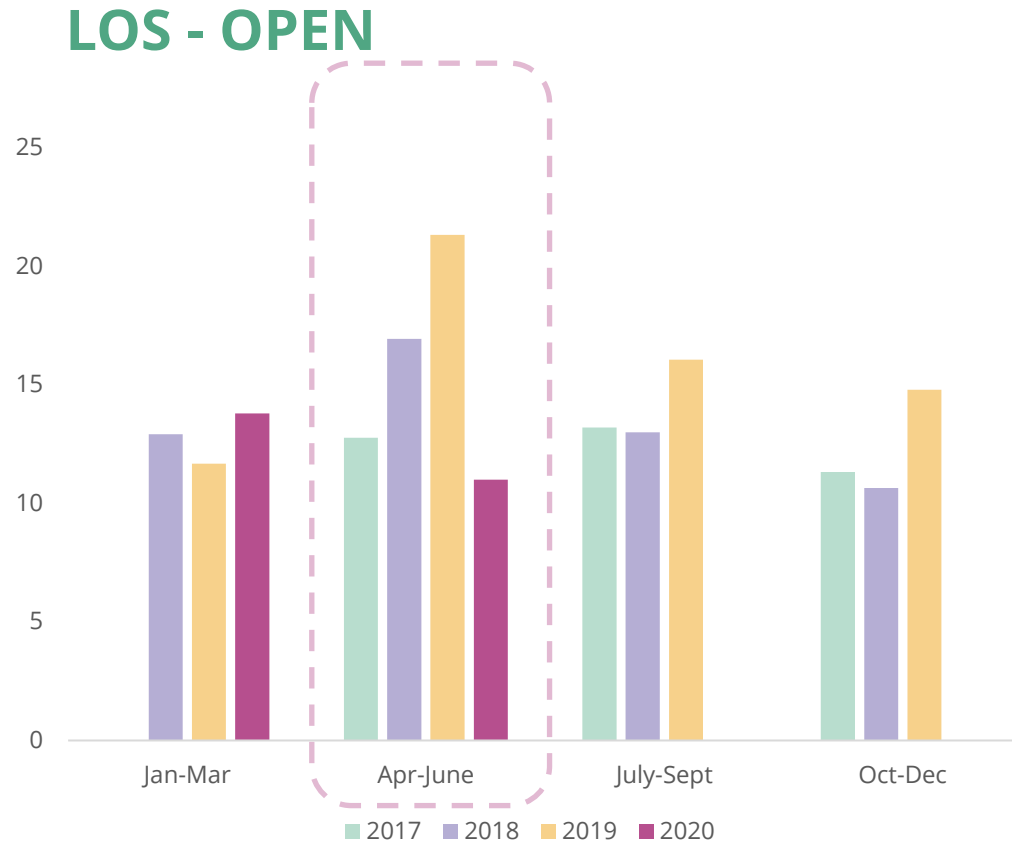
Deaths in Hospital (Inpatient)



- Based on the presented graph we see a slight increase in in-hospital deaths in 2020

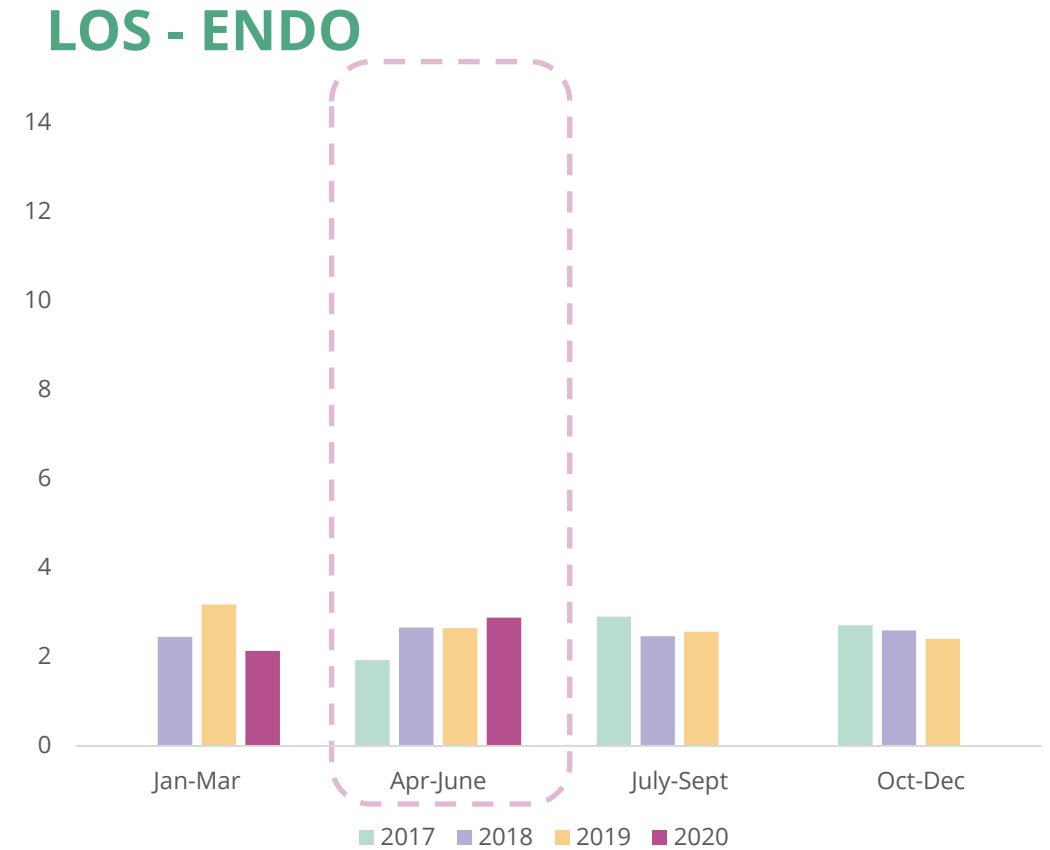
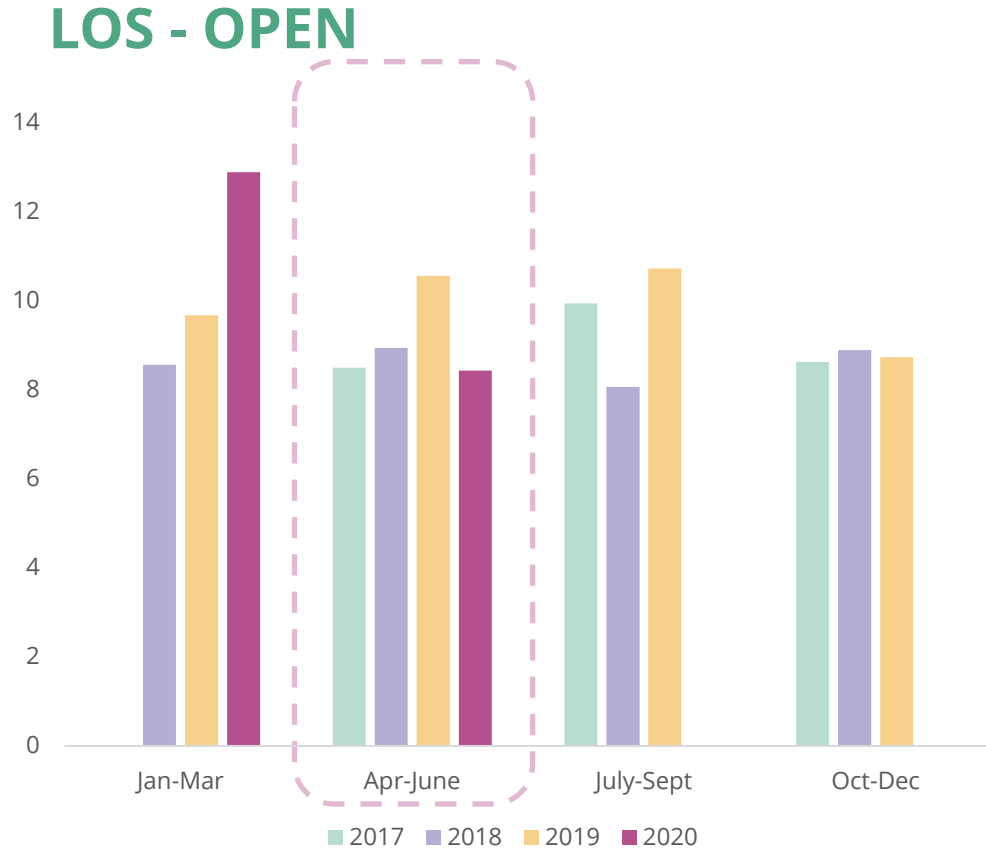
Source: Ontario Health—Access To Care

Length of Stay – Urgent Admissions



Source: IDS Hamilton

Length of Stay – Elective Admissions



Source: IDS Hamilton



Wrap Up & Next Steps

MIKE SETTERFIELD

Wrap Up & Next Steps

- Next COVID-19 Vascular Forum Meeting: Wednesday October 21st 8-9am
- Please send your requests for agenda topics to mike.setterfield@corhealthontario.ca

If forum members would like to share any innovative resumption planning models implemented at their sites, please email mike.setterfield@corhealthontario.ca to share this information at a future forum



Appendix

Technical Notes

Data Source: IDS, Discharge Abstract Database (DAD)

Report generation date: September 14, 2020

Methodology Notes:

- Abdominal Aortic aneurysm admissions are defined as those with a DAD Main Diagnosis (MRDx) with ICD-10 CA Codes and Principal Intervention (CCI Codes) as listed in the Appendix.
- Discharge Disposition Type : Deaths (07 -Died, 72-Died in Facility)

Exclusion Criteria:

- Invalid health card number
- Non-Ontario resident
- Age at admission less than 18 years
- Procedures that are performed outside of admitting hospital

Wait Time Data Definitions

- **Wait time 1:** the time that the patient waits for a first consultation with a clinician. It is measured from the time the referral is received to the date the first consultation with a clinician occurs.
- **Wait time 1 (Days):** the total number of days the patient waited for the first consultation with a clinician. It is measured from the date the referral is received to the date of the first consultation with the clinician.
- **Wait time 2:** the time the patient waits for the surgical diagnostic imaging procedures. For surgical procedures, wait 2 is measured from the Decision To Treat (DTT) date to the date the procedure is performed. For diagnostic imaging tests, wait 2 is measured from the order received date to the date the procedure is performed.
- **Wait time 2 (Days):** Total number of days the patient has been waiting for the procedure (if the patient has not yet received the procedure), or the total number of days the patient waited for the procedure.

Vascular Data in IDS Hamilton

- Integrated Decision Support Business Intelligence Solution, Hamilton Health Sciences supports planning, system improvement & performance monitoring, outcome measurement, and population health equity across the continuum of care
- Hospital Admissions from 7 LHINs (~50% of provincial volumes)
 - West Region: Erie St Clair, HNHB, South West and Waterloo Wellington LHINs (~31% of provincial vascular volumes)
 - Toronto Region: TC LHIN (~9.4% of provincial vascular volumes)
 - Central Region: William Osler (CW) & MH LHIN (~9% of provincial vascular volumes)
 - North East LHIN: Health Sciences North (Beta)
- Data is completed within 60 days of month end
 - June data is completed by end of August

Full List of ICD and CCI Codes Used

ICD 10 CA Code	ICD 10 CA Description
I71.3	Abdominal aortic aneurysm, ruptured, includes juxtarenal aorta,
I71.4	Abdominal aortic aneurysm w/o mention of rupture, includes juxtarenal aorta

CCI Code	CCI Description	Surgical Approach
11D50	Dilation, aorta NEC	Endovascular
11D76	Bypass, aorta NEC	Open
11D80GQ	Repair, aorta NEC using percutaneous transluminal (arterial) approach and (endovascular) stent graft	Endovascular
11D80LA	Repair, aorta NEC using open approach	Open
11D80QF	Repair, aorta NEC open thoracoabdominal approach	Open
11D87	Excision partial, aorta NEC	Open
1KA50GQOA	Dilation, abdominal aorta, using percutaneous transluminal approach and balloon dilator with (endovascular) stent (insertion)	Endovascular
1KA55GQNR	Removal of device, abdominal aorta, of endovascular stent using percutaneous transluminal (arterial) approach	Endovascular
1KA55LANR	Removal of device, abdominal aorta of endovascular stent using open approach	Open
1KA76MZ	Bypass, abdominal aorta bypass terminating at lower limb vessels [e.g. iliac, femoral, popliteal, tibial]	Open
1KA76NB	Bypass, abdominal aorta bypass originating and terminating at abdominal aorta	Open
1KA80GQ	Repair, abdominal aorta using percutaneous transluminal (arterial) approach and (endovascular) stent graft	Endovascular
1KA80LA	Repair, abdominal aorta using open approach	Open
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