

CorHealth Cardiovascular Rehabilitation Stakeholder Forum #1

APRIL 26, 2022 | 3:00-4:00 PM



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Agenda

Time	Description	Purpose	Presenter
3:00 pm	Welcome <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Land Acknowledgement• Meeting Objectives	Information	Dr. Karen Harkness
3:05 pm	Provincial CR Measurement & Reporting Initiative <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Updated CR Measurement Results• Proposed Refinement of the CR Dataset	Information and Discussion	Dr. Karen Harkness Dr. Paul Oh
3:30 pm	Guest Presentation	Information	Dr. Ashlay Huitema
3:40 pm	Open Forum Discussion Pulse check: What is the current experience of delivery CR in Ontario?	Discussion	Dr. Paul Oh
3:55 pm	Next Steps	Information	Dr. Karen Harkness



We are recording this Forum and will make the recording available on the CorHealth website



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Land Acknowledgement

In this time of reconciliation, we remember the oldest recorded agreement between Indigenous peoples and new settlers from Europe, known as the Two Row Wampum. It covers the land we recognize as Niagara today.

We acknowledge that because of these early agreements, and later more formal treaties, we are able to live in the Niagara region and enjoy the beauty of this area and the bounty that this land provides.

Two Row Wampum (Kaswehntha)



In 1613, the Dutch and the Haudenosaunee created an agreement known as the Two Row Wampum. The Two Row Wampum has two purple rows surrounded by three white rows.

One purple row represents the ship of the Dutch. The other purple row is the Haudenosaunee canoe. Each row is travelling down the river of life side by side. Neither is trying to steer the other's boat.

The three white rows represent the three principles of the treaty: peace, respect, and friendship between the two people in an agreement that will last forever



Meeting Objectives

- To review updated CR data collection results from 6 months of data
- To continue the dialogue and activity supporting a progressive approach to measure, monitor, and report on the status of outpatient Cardiovascular Rehabilitation in Ontario
- To validate feasibility and program value-add for proposed data subgroups
- To share experiences and facilitate dialogue on the current activities and models of delivery for cardiovascular rehabilitation (including virtual, in-person and hybrid)



Provincial Cardiovascular Rehabilitation Measurement and Reporting Initiative: Updated Results

Dr. Karen Harkness & Dr. Paul Oh

Recall: Project Goals and Objectives

1. An initial goal of this work will be to gain a better understanding of the impact of COVID-19 on the delivery of Cardiovascular Rehabilitation (CR) services for Ontario patients with cardiac conditions (Phase 1)

Phase 1 Objectives:

- Consistently collect a small amount of aggregate data from a clearly defined group of CR providers across Ontario & regularly report data back to stakeholders
- Test the readiness of the CR System to provide consistent, reliable data / better understand the availability and accessibility of data at CR provider sites

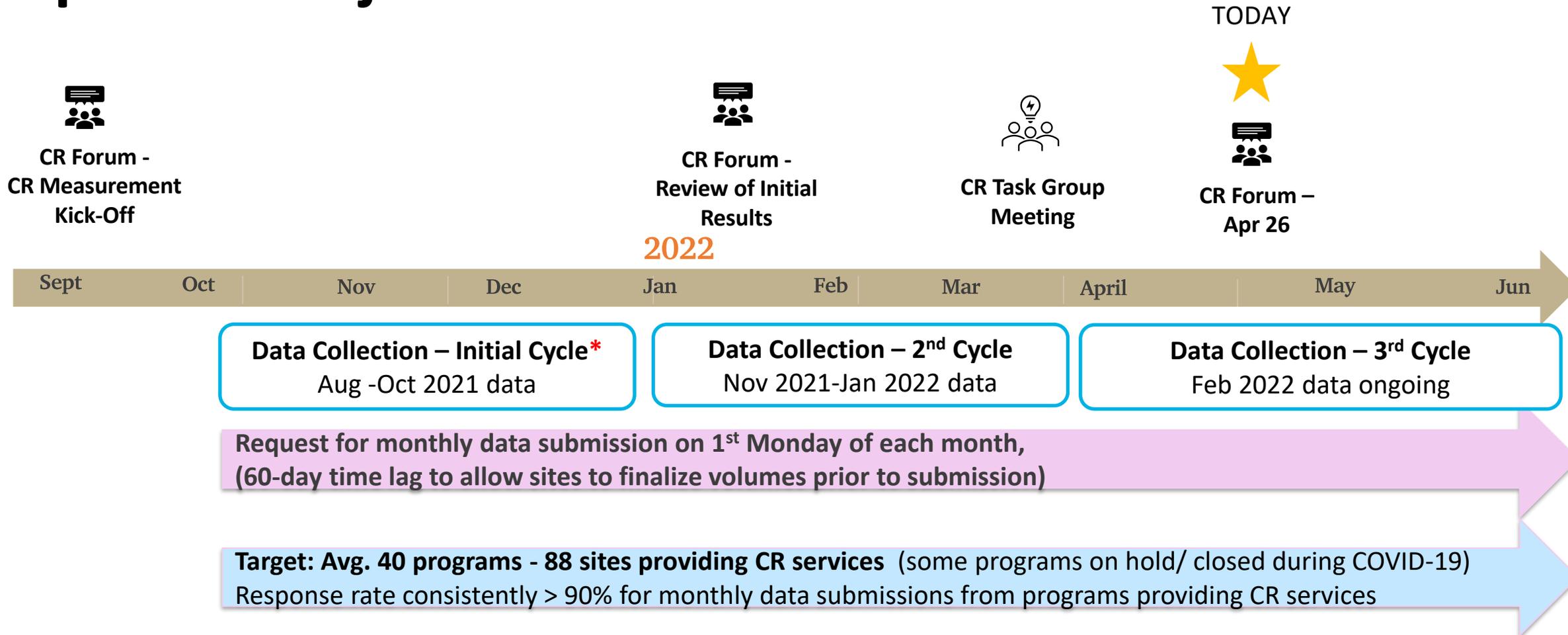
2. A potential long-term goal of this work will be to have consistent/ reliable CR data collection in Ontario to support broader system planning, monitoring and performance measurement for cardiac and vascular patients (Phase 2)

- Ability to pursue / achieve this goal will be dependent on success of the initial objectives stated above

Recall: Phase 1 Key Metrics

Data Point	Key Metric
1. Cardiovascular Rehabilitation Program Demand	Number of referrals for patients eligible for the CR program after initial screening
2. Cardiovascular Rehabilitation Program Supply	Number of patients who received their first meaningful clinical encounter with the CR program

Update: Project Timeline



* Goals of the initial cycle were to establish communication channels for data collection, ensure definitions are clear, determine willingness and feasibility for data collection

List of CR programs that are inactive during COVID

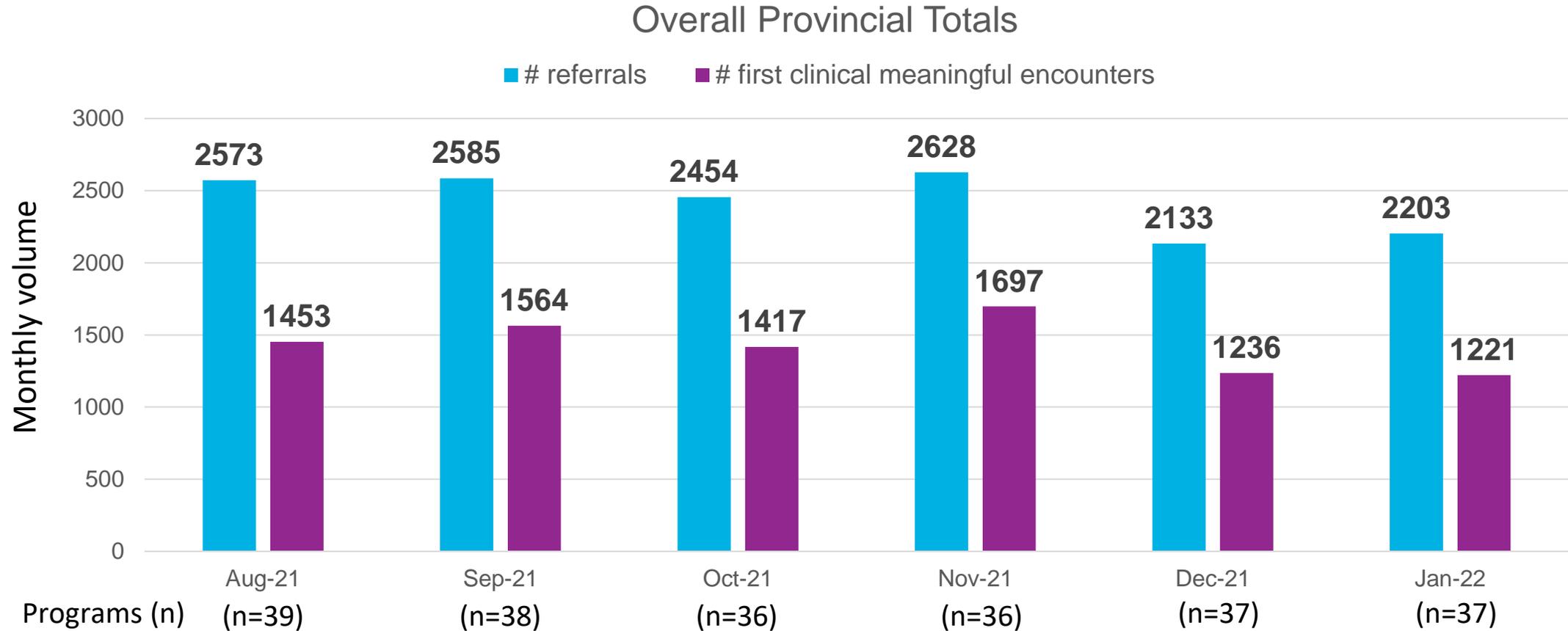
Please type in the chat box or email us if you any updates to this list

1. North Hastings Cardiac Rehabilitation (Bancroft) – plans to open April 2022
2. YMCA of Hamilton-Burlington-Brantford (rely on referrals from HHS)
3. Cornwall Hospital Cardiopulmonary Rehab Program (hold- staff deployed)
4. Hanover and District Hospital Hearts in Motion - plans to re-open April 2022
5. Minto-Maple Family Health Team
6. Stevenson Memorial CV Prevention Program
7. Cardiac Health and Rehab (Hamilton Health Sciences)- on hold
8. Heart Care Canada – Oshawa Solo Program

No plans to reopen

1. Toronto Heart Centre – Unity Health Toronto
2. Headwaters Healthcare Centre Cardiac Wellness (Orangeville)
3. Kemptville District Hospital
4. Markham Stouffville Lifestyle Education Exercise Program
5. Peterborough Regional Health Centre- closing April 2022

Updated Results: Overall Provincial Totals



Total referrals: n= 14,535

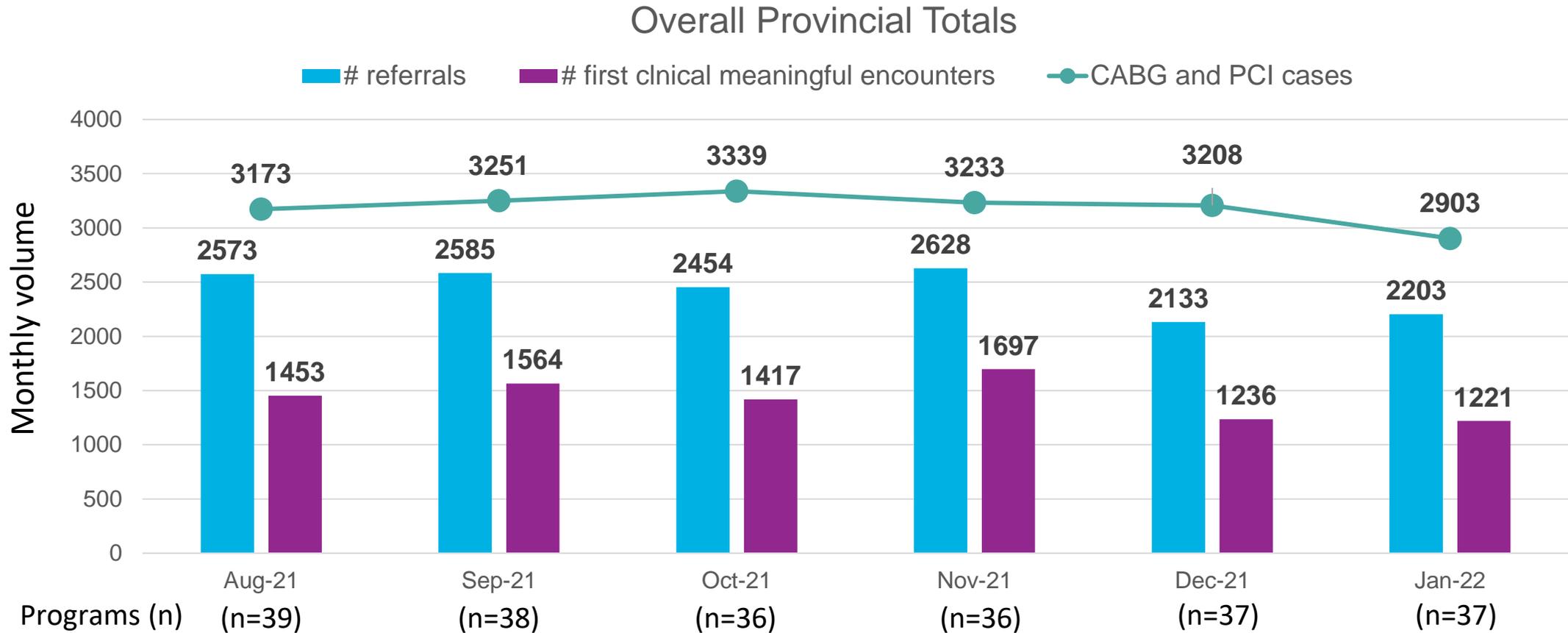
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Note: Please see Appendix for Regional Volumes



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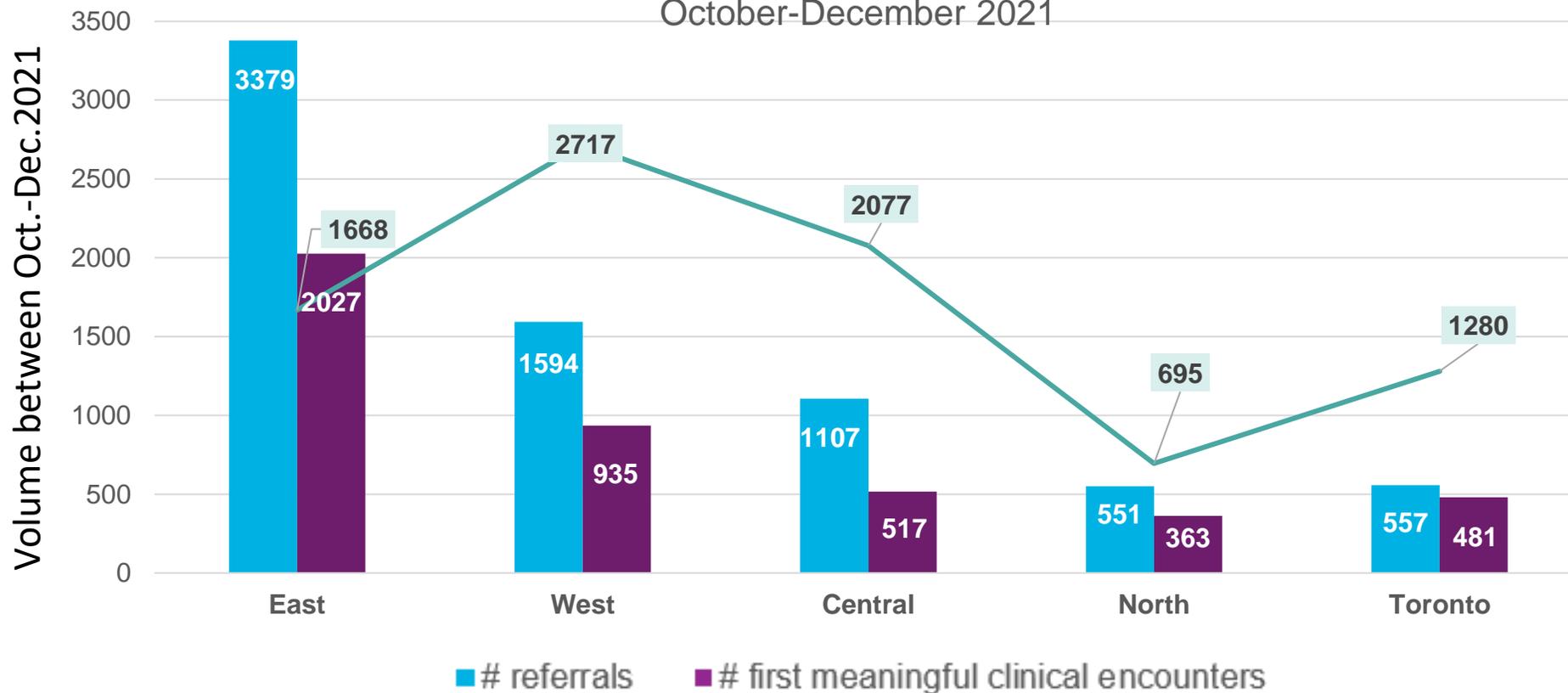
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Referrals and First Clinical Meaningful Encounters for CR for Initial Cardiac Cohort
 Number of patients and procedures with CABG +/- Valve Surgery or PCI
 October-December 2021

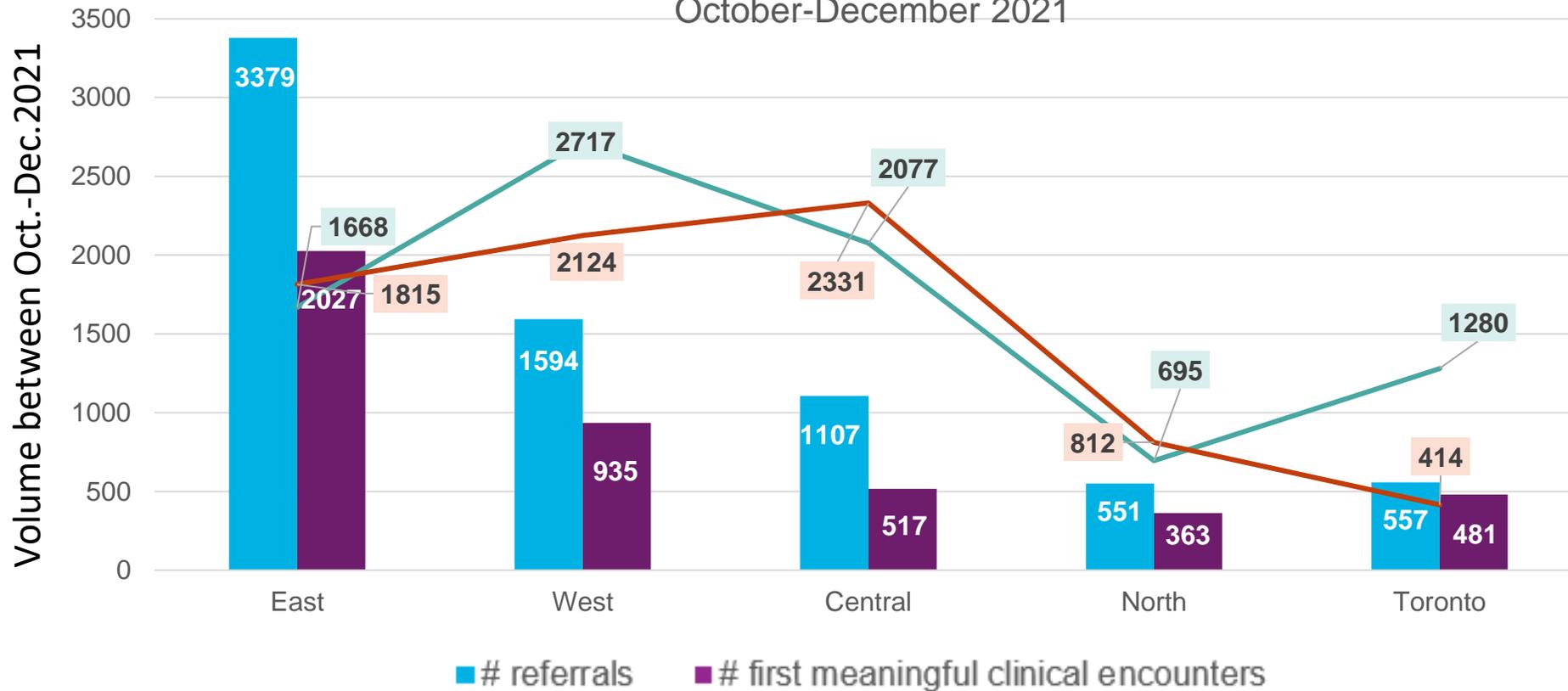


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For the initial cardiac cohort

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Region where the patient who had a CABG or PCI procedure resides

For the initial cardiac cohort



Proposed Refinement of the CR Dataset

Dr. Karen Harkness & Dr. Paul Oh

Purpose of Proposed Refinement of the CR Dataset

Continue to mature and refine the current data set to:

- Identify of regional variation and begin to explore drivers of variation in referral and uptake of CR, including barriers, enablers and opportunities to increase CR participation in Ontario
- Enable meaningful data-driven local and regional conversations about access and uptake of CR
- Support broader system planning, monitoring and performance measurement for cardiovascular rehabilitation



Considerations for Refining the Dataset

(Mentioned at Jan 2022 Forum)

Potential Data Element	Value Add	Considerations
1) Completion rate	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Patient outcomes correlate with enrolment and completion of program• National quality indicator (QI)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Standardized definition for 'full set' to ensure valid and reliable provincial measurement will be challenging at this stage
2) Qualitative analysis of reasons for declining CR	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Determine if regional variation in declining CR exist and inform opportunities for improvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Not in position to collect qualitative data• Check list- definition required for each option• Homogenous patient population needed to improve interpretation of findings
3) Wait times (collaboration w CACPR Reg sites)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Wait time important as part of timely access• National QI	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• HOLD for future• Not all programs are able to provide this level of information
4) Breakdown referral data point #1 into MI	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Subgroup within cardiac population-allow for identification of eligible population• National QI	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Limitation in identifying population in timely manner as relies on admin data- CorHealth only captures MI associated with procedure in registry
5) Displaying the volumes of procedures for calibration	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Provides additional meaning to interpret findings by understanding demand from local population	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Will need a subgroup included in registry for timely data
6) Male/Female	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Determine if rates different between male and female patients for data points	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Is this meaningful within a cohort with aggregate of cardiac conditions?



Task Group Discussion

- No changes to the 2 initial data points

Refinement: Explore cardiac subgroup(s) within initial cohort where a clear denominator can be captured from the Cardiac registry and programs can easily identify this subgroup for values that will represent the numerator

Rationale: Provides additional meaning to interpret findings by understanding local supply *and demand*

Outcome of discussion: Within the initial cohort of patients referred following a cardiac event, identify the following 2 cardiac subgroups:

- Post CABG +/- Valve surgery: easily identified
- Post PCI: represents a large proportion of patients referred to a CR program

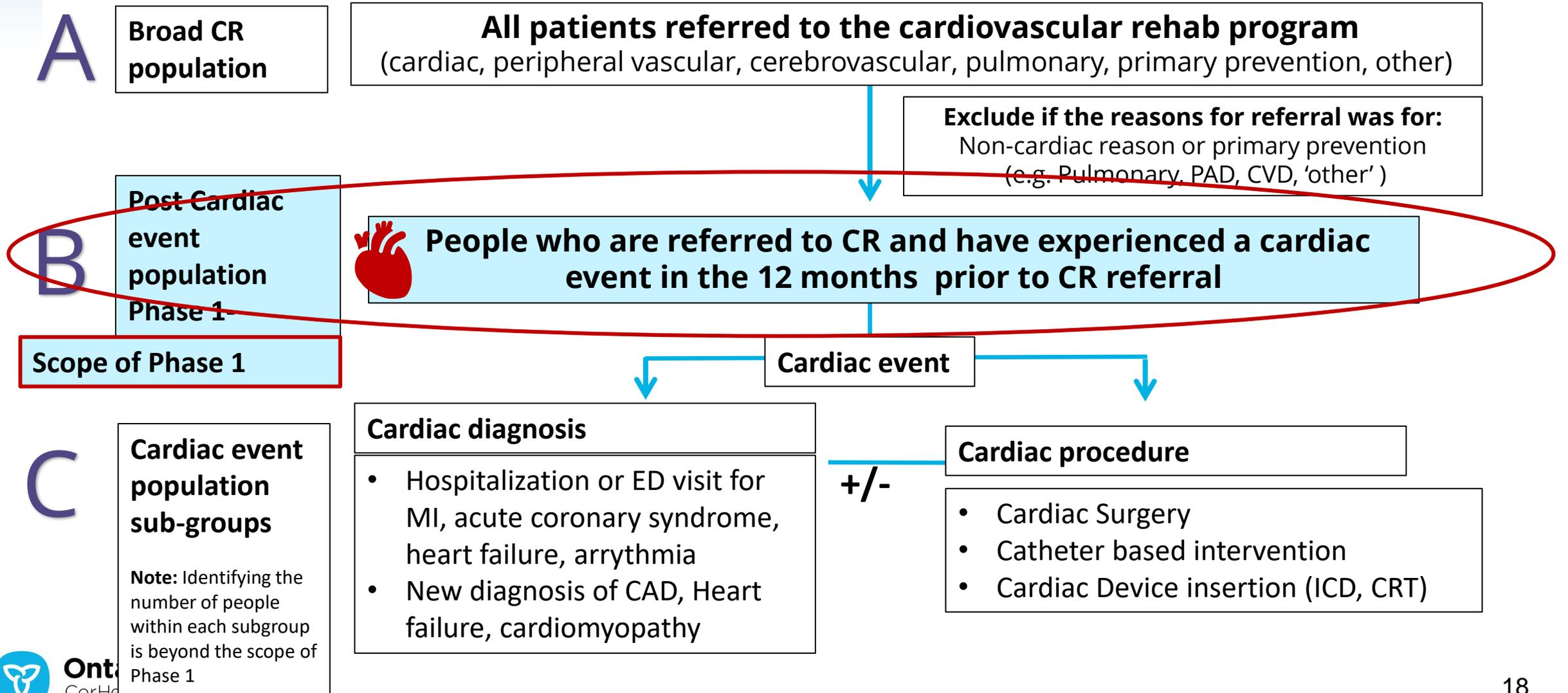
Note- both cardiac sub-group populations are captured in the cardiac registry

Note- we are not anticipating any additional refinement for the next fiscal year

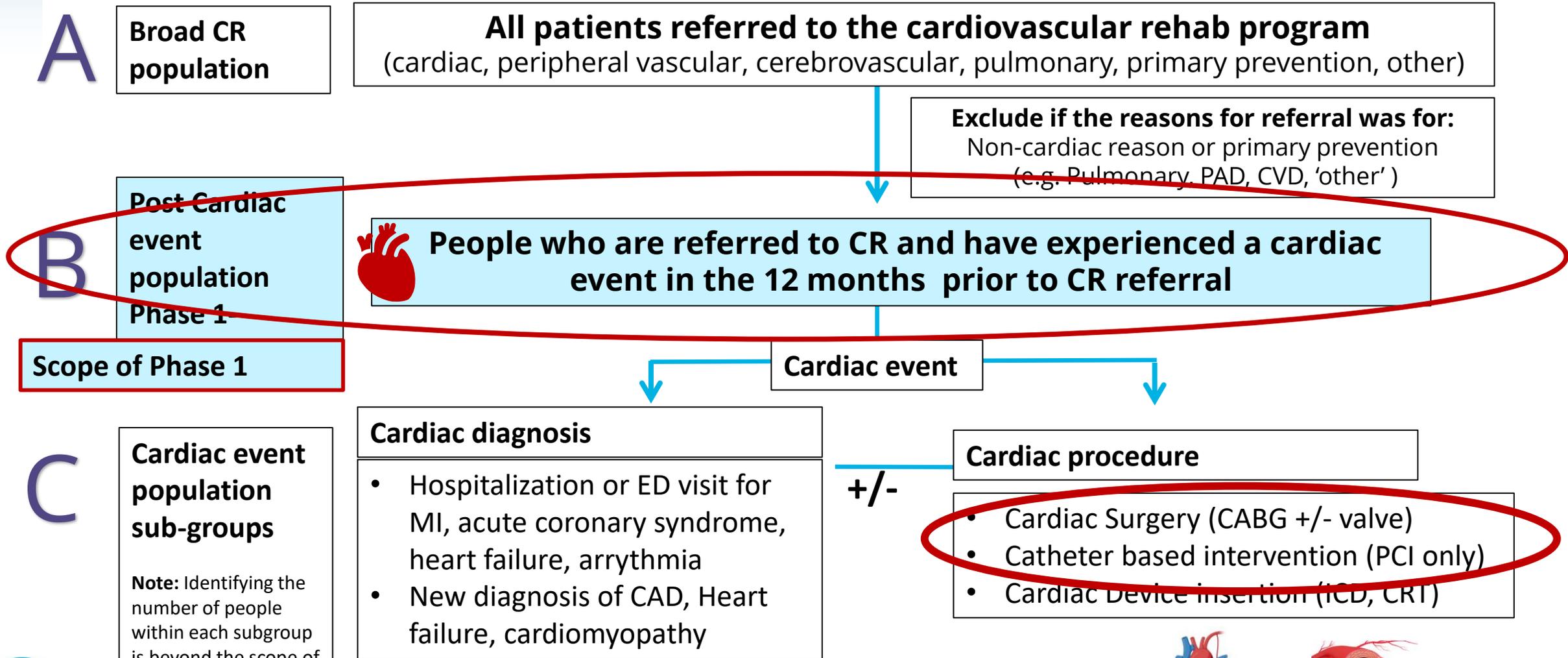


Phase 1. "Initial Cohort"

People referred to CR following a cardiac event



Phase 1. "Initial Cohort": People referred to CR following a cardiac event
Identify subgroup within the initial cohort: People referred to CR following CABG +/- valve surgery or following PCI procedure



A Broad CR population

All patients referred to the cardiovascular rehab program
 (cardiac, peripheral vascular, cerebrovascular, pulmonary, primary prevention, other)

Exclude if the reasons for referral was for:
 Non-cardiac reason or primary prevention
 (e.g. Pulmonary, PAD, CVD, 'other')

B Post Cardiac event population Phase 1

People who are referred to CR and have experienced a cardiac event in the 12 months prior to CR referral

Scope of Phase 1

Cardiac event

C Cardiac event population sub-groups

Note: Identifying the number of people within each subgroup is beyond the scope of Phase 1

Cardiac diagnosis

- Hospitalization or ED visit for MI, acute coronary syndrome, heart failure, arrhythmia
- New diagnosis of CAD, Heart failure, cardiomyopathy

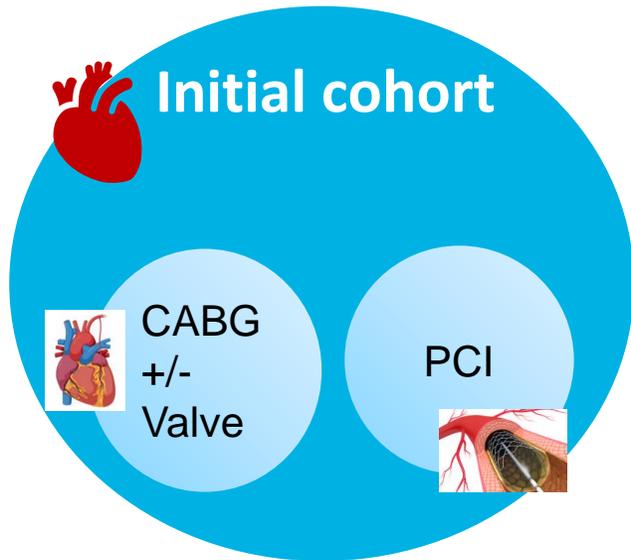
Cardiac procedure

- Cardiac Surgery (CABG +/- valve)
- Catheter based intervention (PCI only)
- Cardiac Device insertion (ICD, CRT)



Discussion: Proposed Refinement

The following data points for the initial cohort and 2 subgroups will be collected monthly for CR Program volumes generated for FY 2022/23



Month					
 Initial Cohort	 CABG +/- Valve subgroup	PCI subgroup 			
Referrals	First meaningful encounter	Referrals	First meaningful encounter	Referrals	First meaningful encounter

Discussion

Do you foresee any challenges with collecting these additional values for FY 2022/23?

Next Steps: CR Data Collection

- Continue **regular monthly data collection** for 2 key metrics and initial cardiac cohort:
 - The contact person from each program submitting data will receive an email from Joy Tabieros with their program-specific data collection form on the first Monday of each month
- Assuming support from CR Forum, begin data collection for two additional subgroups, starting June 2022
 - Data collection template for programs will be updated
- Present updated results at the next CR Forum (September; date TBD)



Data Collection: Next Steps Timeline

**Assuming support for proposed data subgroup collection by CR Forum*

Monthly data collection request via email from CorHealth (Joy Tabieros) first Monday of each month


CR Forum
April 26, 2022

Mar 2022
data
request

Apr 2022
data
request

May 2022
data
request


CR Forum
Date TBD

Apr 2022

May

15

Jun

15

Jul

15

Aug

15

Sept

Today

Mar 2022
data due

*Begin data
collection of
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subgroups

Apr 2022
data due

May 2022
data due

June
2022
data due

Monthly data submission to
CorHealth (Joy Tabieros) by email due 15th of each month



Guest Presentation

Dr. Ashlay Huitema MD, FRCPC

Division of Cardiology

Co-Program Director Adult Cardiology and Assistant Professor Western University

Cardiac Rehabilitation and Secondary Prevention Program St. Joseph's Health Care London



SJHC CRSP & COVID-19

again & again & again!

SJHC VIRTUAL CRSP

Full Virtual Capability ●



Webex intake appt. into cardiologica and cerner;
Email intake letter, link to cardiac college, walking guidelines and consent form;
Email OTN appointment

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Email initial H/B phone call appt. within 48 hours following Orientation

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Phone and Email Capability ●



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Phone Only Capability ●



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Book intake appt. into cardiologica and cerner;
Mail intake letter, link to cardiac college, walking guidelines and consent form

INTAKE
(attend by phone)

Call patient to book Orientation session
Mail out Orientation slides (notes page version), workbook, exercise diary, food record

ORIENTATION
(facilitator to call out; integrate with video joiners)

Call patient within 48 hours following Orientation to schedule initial H/B phone call appt.

Initial H/B Phone Call
(enroll in education series; mail out schedule)

Patient relies on paper copy of education series schedule
Mail full series of education slide decks (notes page version)

Special Barrier(s) to Care ●



Call patient to schedule phone intake appt. or arrange onsite visit;
Book intake appt. into cardiologica and cerner;
Mail intake letter, link to cardiac college, walking guidelines and consent form

INTAKE
(attend by phone or in-person; arrange supports)

Proceed to 1:1 RD and 1:1 ReT appointment.
Continue with 1:1 interdisciplinary intervention as required with appropriate supports.

SJHC CR – Virtual CR 2020



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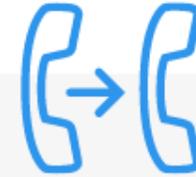
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Connecting

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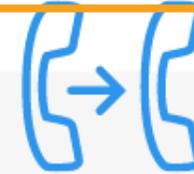
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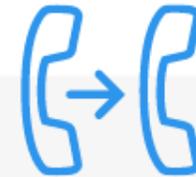
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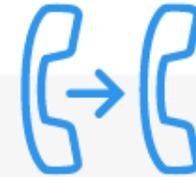
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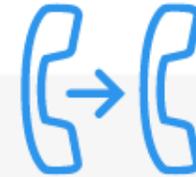
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Cardiac Rehabilitation and Secondary Prevention Patient Education Schedule

Week 1



Exercise Safely

 Read [Get Active: 'Staying Active for a Healthy Heart'](#) pages 8-15, 22-27 and pages 37-50

For Patient Living with Diabetes

 Read [Diabetes College](#) for more information

Week 2



How Your Heart Works

 Read [Treat Heart Disease: 'How Your Heart Works and Common Types of Heart Problems'](#) pages 1-8
[Common Tests and Treatments for Heart Disease'](#) pages 1-7

Week 3



Know Your Risk Factors

 Read [Treat Heart Disease: 'How Your Heart Works and Common Types of Heart Problems'](#) pages 11-35

Week 4



How to Progress Your Exercise

 Read [Get Active: 'Staying Active for a Healthy Heart'](#) pages 16-17, 28-30

Week 5



How to Set Goals and Action Plans

 Read [Take Control: 'Setting Goals for a Healthy Heart'](#) pages 5-17

 Watch [the THRiVE video, 'Create a Plan for Change'](#)

Week 6



Take Your Heart Medicines

 Read [Treat Heart Disease: 'Taking your Heart Medicines'](#) pages 1-19

 Watch [the THRiVE video, 'Take Your Medicines'](#)

Week 7



Heart Healthy Ways of Eating

 Read [Eat Healthy: 'Eating Well for a Healthy Heart'](#)

 Watch [the THRiVE video, 'Eat the Mediterranean Way'](#)

Week 8



Take Care of Your Emotional Wellbeing: Part 1

 Read [Feel Well: 'Managing Stress for a Healthy Heart'](#),

 Watch [the THRiVE video, 'Manage Stress, Depression and Burnout'](#)

Week 9



Live Resistance Training Review

Week 10



How to Choose Heart Healthy Foods

 Read [Eat Healthy: 'Eating Well for a Healthy Heart'](#)

 Watch [the THRiVE video, 'Choose Healthy Foods'](#) and the ['Making Healthy Food Choices' video series](#) (19 videos and tip cards).

Week 11



How to Read Food Labels

 Read [Eat Healthy: 'Eating Well for a Healthy Heart'](#) pages 59-65

 Watch ['Food Labels' and 'Nutrition Health Claims' videos on cardiac college](#)

Week 12



Take Care of Your Emotional Wellbeing: Part 2

 Read [Feel Well: 'Managing Stress for a Healthy Heart'](#)

 Watch [the THRiVE videos: 'Sleep Well' and 'Strengthen Your Social Relationships'](#)

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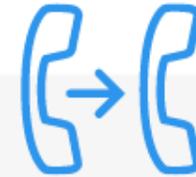
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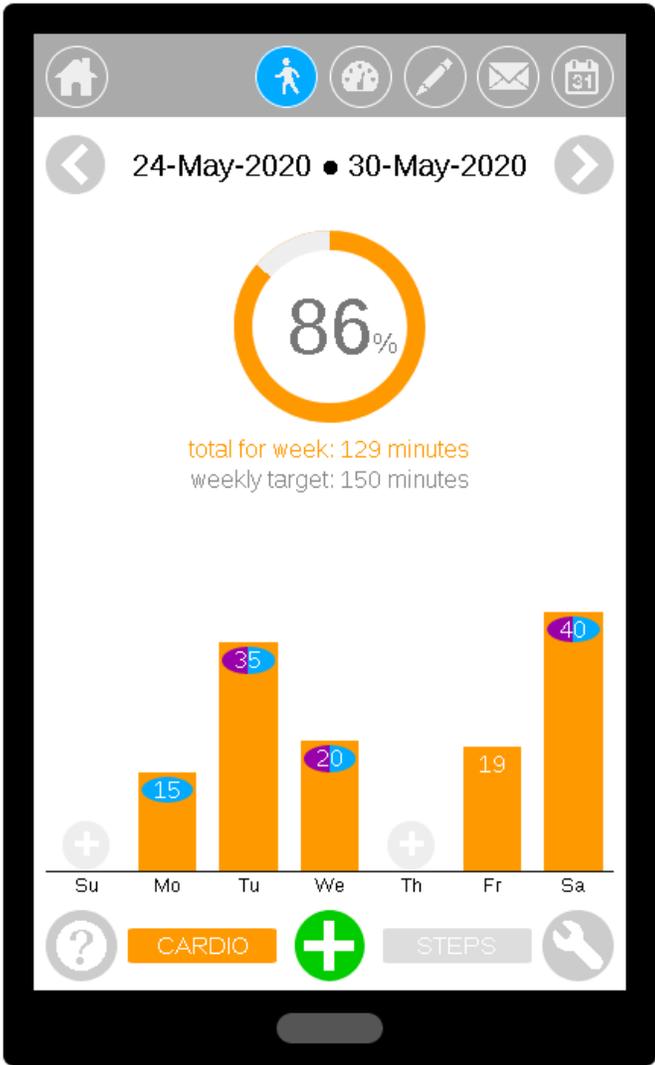
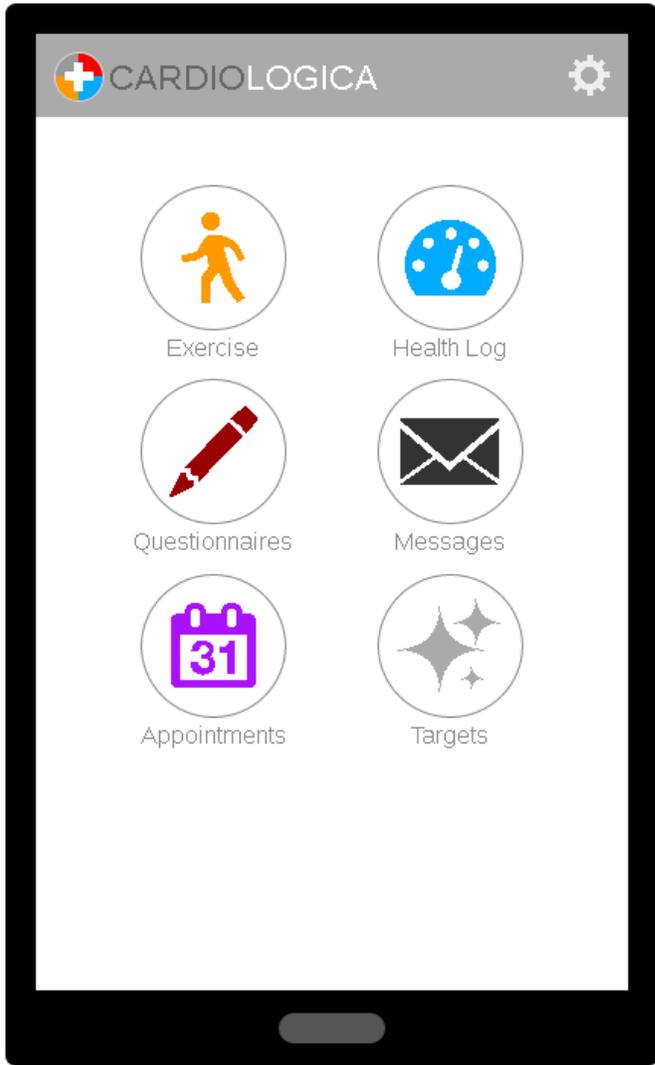
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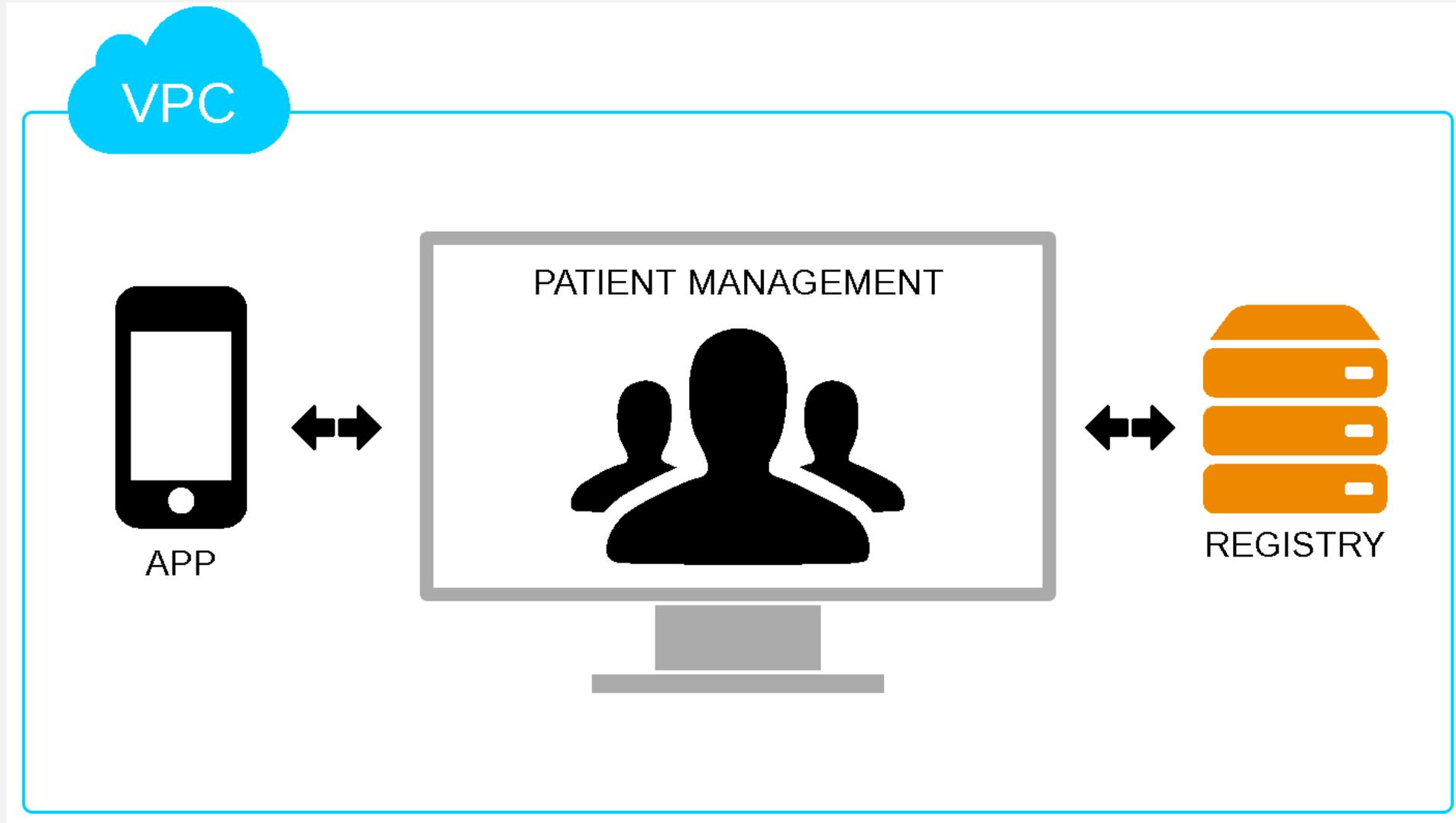
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CARDIOLOGICA PATIENT APP



The PHQ-9 form shows a green checkmark icon, the title 'PHQ-9', and a date '28-May-2020' with a red 'X' icon. The text reads 'OVER THE PAST 2 WEEKS how often have you been bothered by:'. The first question is '1 little interest or pleasure in doing things', with radio button options: 'Not at all', 'Several days', 'More than half the days', and 'Nearly every day'. The second question is '2 feeling down, depressed or hopeless', with the same radio button options. The third question is '3 trouble falling asleep, staying asleep, or sleeping too much'. The bottom of the screen is partially obscured by a grey bar.

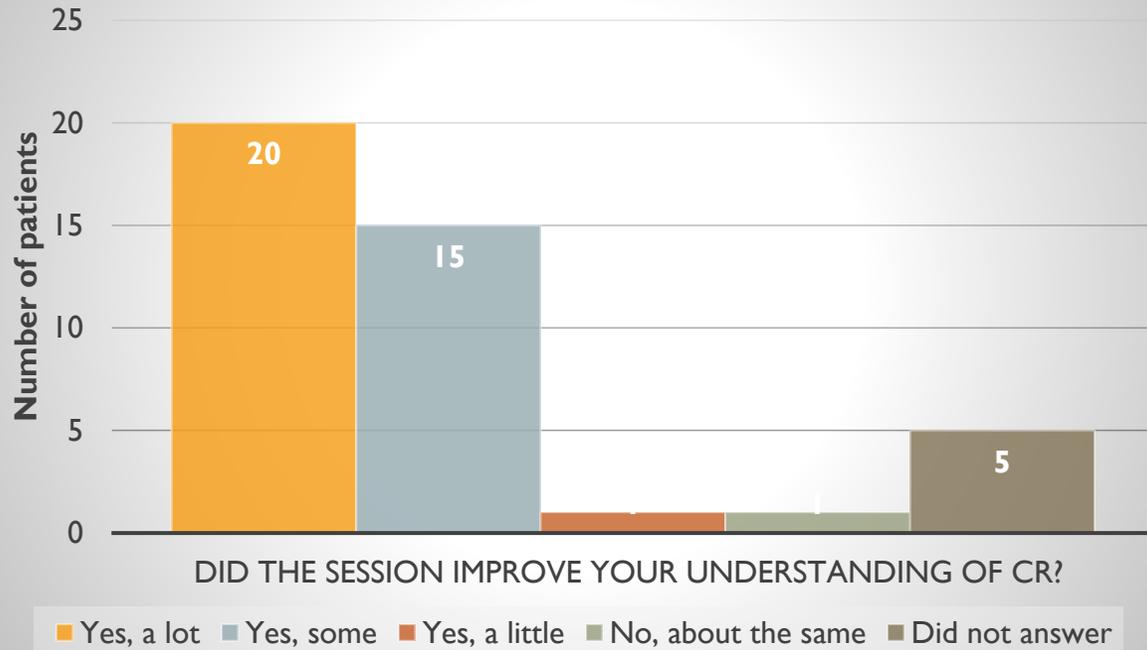
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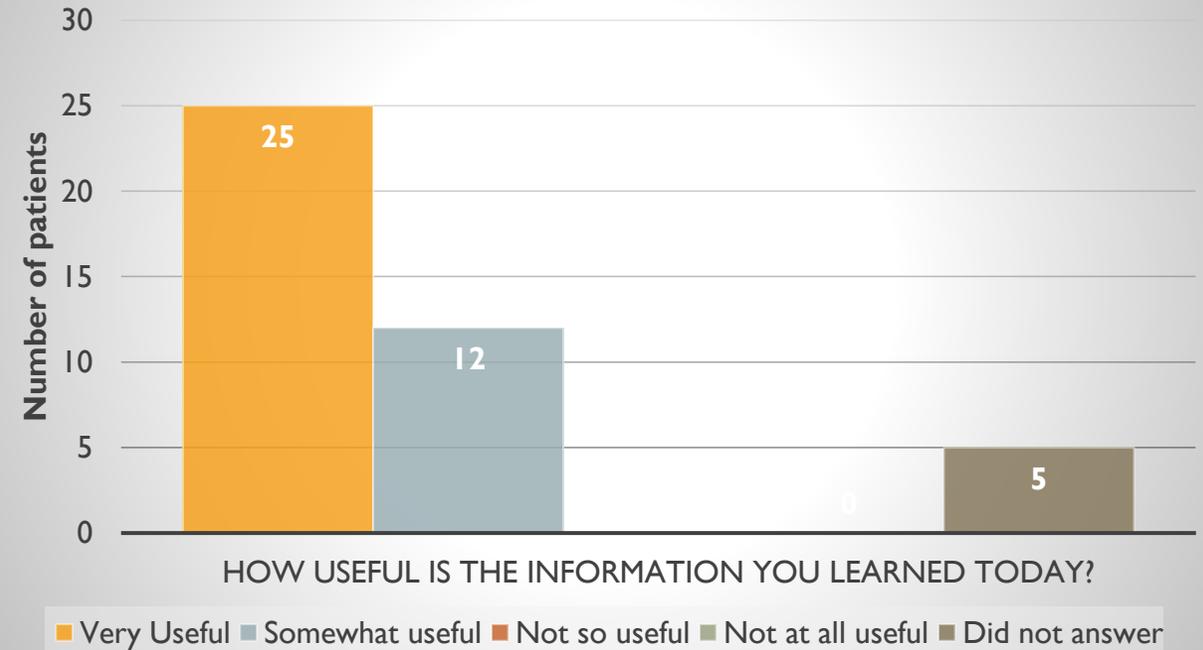
CR QI & MEASUREMENT

SJHC CRSP

Orientation _ Polling Responses



Orientation_Polling Responses



Traffic Signals to Manage the Transition to Virtual Cardiac Rehabilitation

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RATIONALE

Following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, our cardiac rehabilitation (CR) program suspended patient care on 16-Mar/20, for rapid development of fully virtual service. We adapted a 12-week virtual CR interactive educational series (vCRED), developed at the University Health Network CR Program, Toronto. Notably, decision tools to determine patients' suitability for vCRED were unavailable. We created a simple triage tool to categorise patients as fully (green), partially (yellow) or not (red) vCRED-able. Traffic-signal categorisation (TrafCat) was conducted by administrative staff during an intake-scheduling call with patients, based on their access to, and stated readiness to use technology compatible with audio-video conferencing.

OBJECTIVES

To evaluate: 1) TrafCat feasibility for vCRED suitability by assessing attendance at the 1st vCRED, vOrientation; 2) patient characteristics by TrafCat.



METHODS

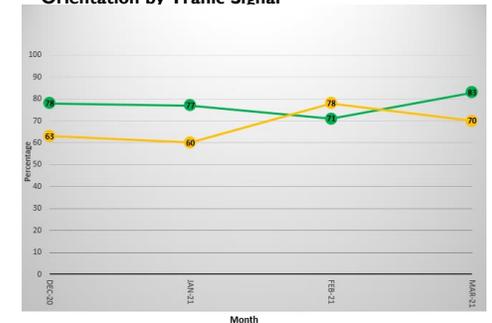
Using *cardiologica*, our web-based clinical management system, we categorised patients into technologically-enabled (green), technologically-restricted (yellow) or having additional barriers, e.g. language (red). We began virtual programming in June/20, using online Webex-based group orientation education sessions, enrolling only green-coded patients; holding yellow-coded patients in abeyance pending Webex technology enhancements, including a "call-out" feature permitting audio-only participation, deployed in Nov-20. Red-coded patients were not enrolled in virtual programming; offered individualised home-based programming via telephone; and excluded from analysis. Means (standard deviations, SD), parametric statistics, proportions, and non-parametric statistics were used (significance: 2-sided $p < 0.05$).

RESULTS

From Aug-Dec/20, 402 patients were referred to CR; 256 (63.7%) completed intake. Following Intake, virtual Orientation attendance (n, % of scheduled) by TrafCat (green; yellow respectively) was: Dec (14, 78%), (25, 63%); Jan (43, 77%), (30, 60%), Feb (32, 71%), (29, 78%); March 1-18 (35, 83%), (14, 70%). Attendance proportions did not differ significantly by colour code ($p > 0.05$), (Figure 1).

The overall sample had more men (70%) than women (30%), but sex proportions did not differ significantly between green vs. yellow TrafCat ($p = 0.25$). Green-coded (62.5 y, SD=12.1) were significantly younger than yellow-coded (70 y SD=10) patients ($p < 0.001$).

Figure 1: % Attended Orientation by Traffic Signal



CONCLUSIONS

All new CR patients were categorised by technology readiness. Majorities of green- and yellow-coded patients attended orientation providing evidence that TrafCat process was reasonable. Proportions of green- vs. yellow-coded patients attending did not differ significantly in any month. Simple decision tools such as TrafCat can triage patients to vCRED and be widely deployed. Analyses of complete vCRED attendance, and CR outcomes, by TrafCat is ongoing.

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Traffic Signals to Manage the Transition to

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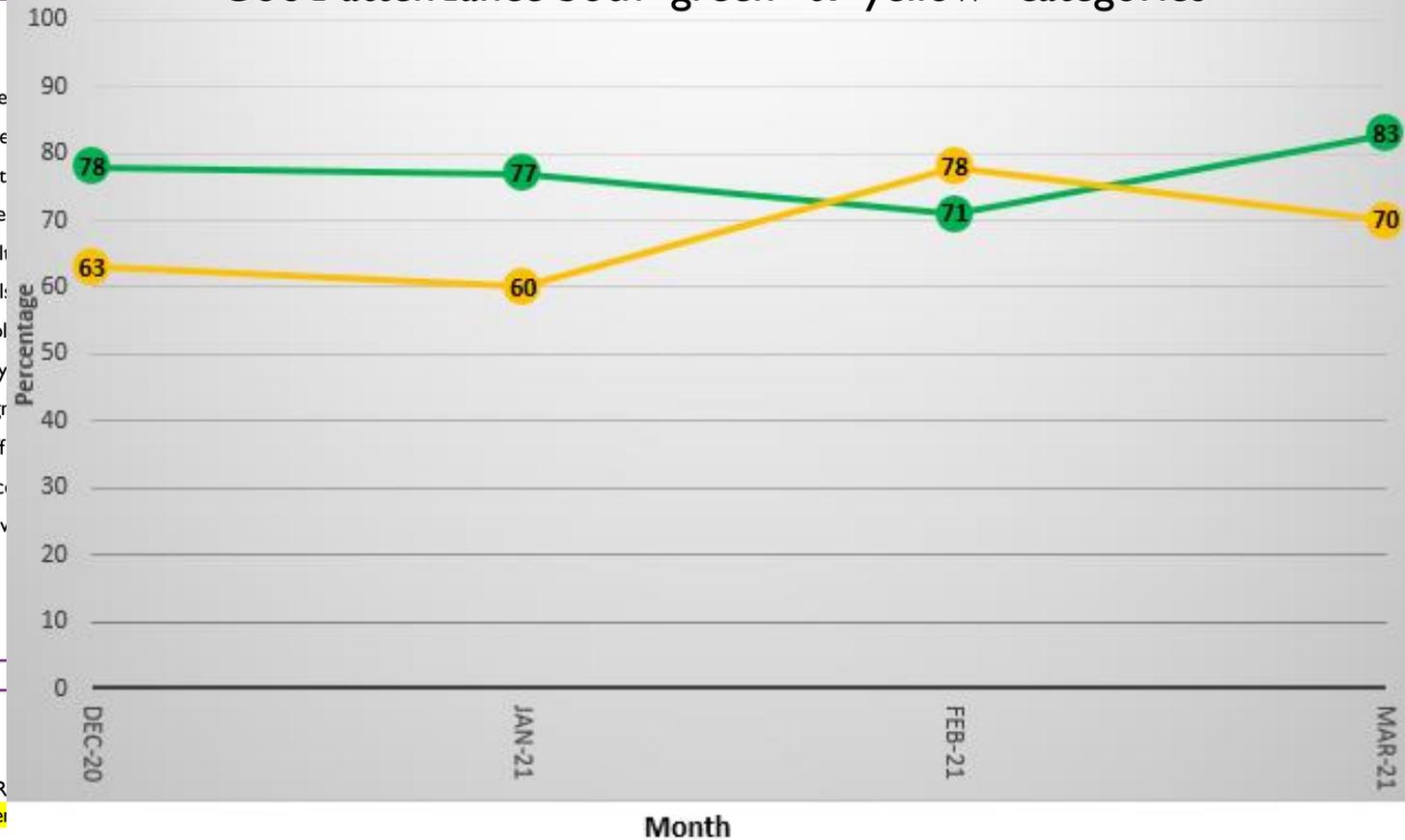
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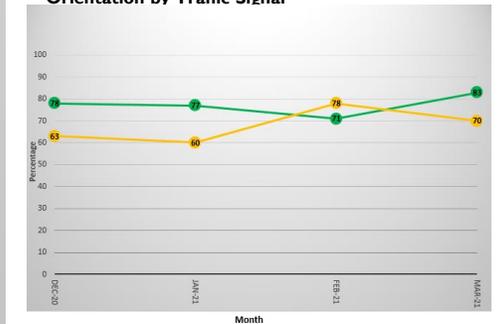
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Good attendance both "green" & "yellow" categories



), technologically-restricted (yellow) or having no prior cardiac rehabilitation education sessions, enrolling only green-coded patients. The program is permitting audio-only participation, deployed in-person and via a telephone; and excluded from analysis. Means and standard deviations are $p < 0.05$.

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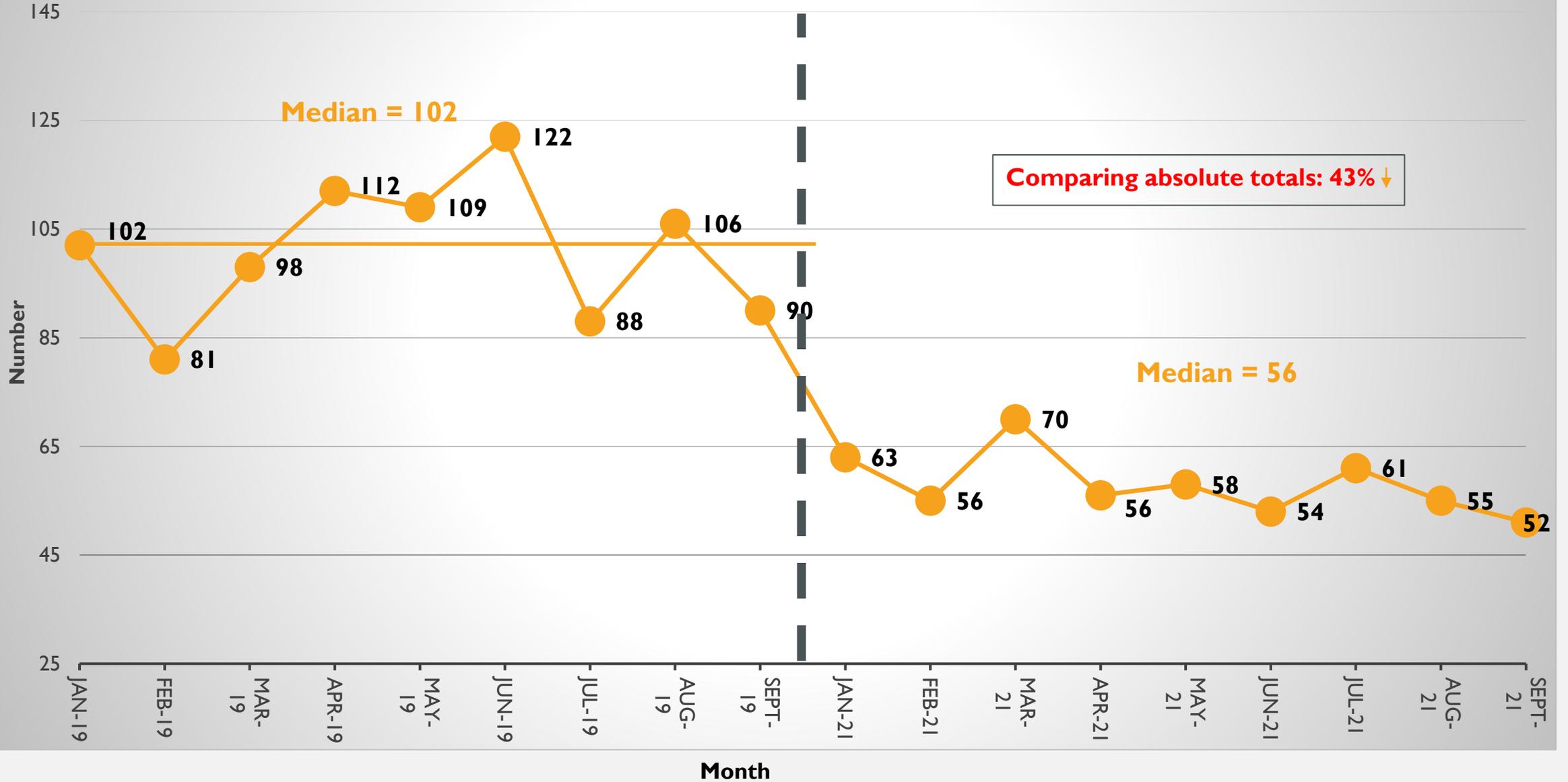
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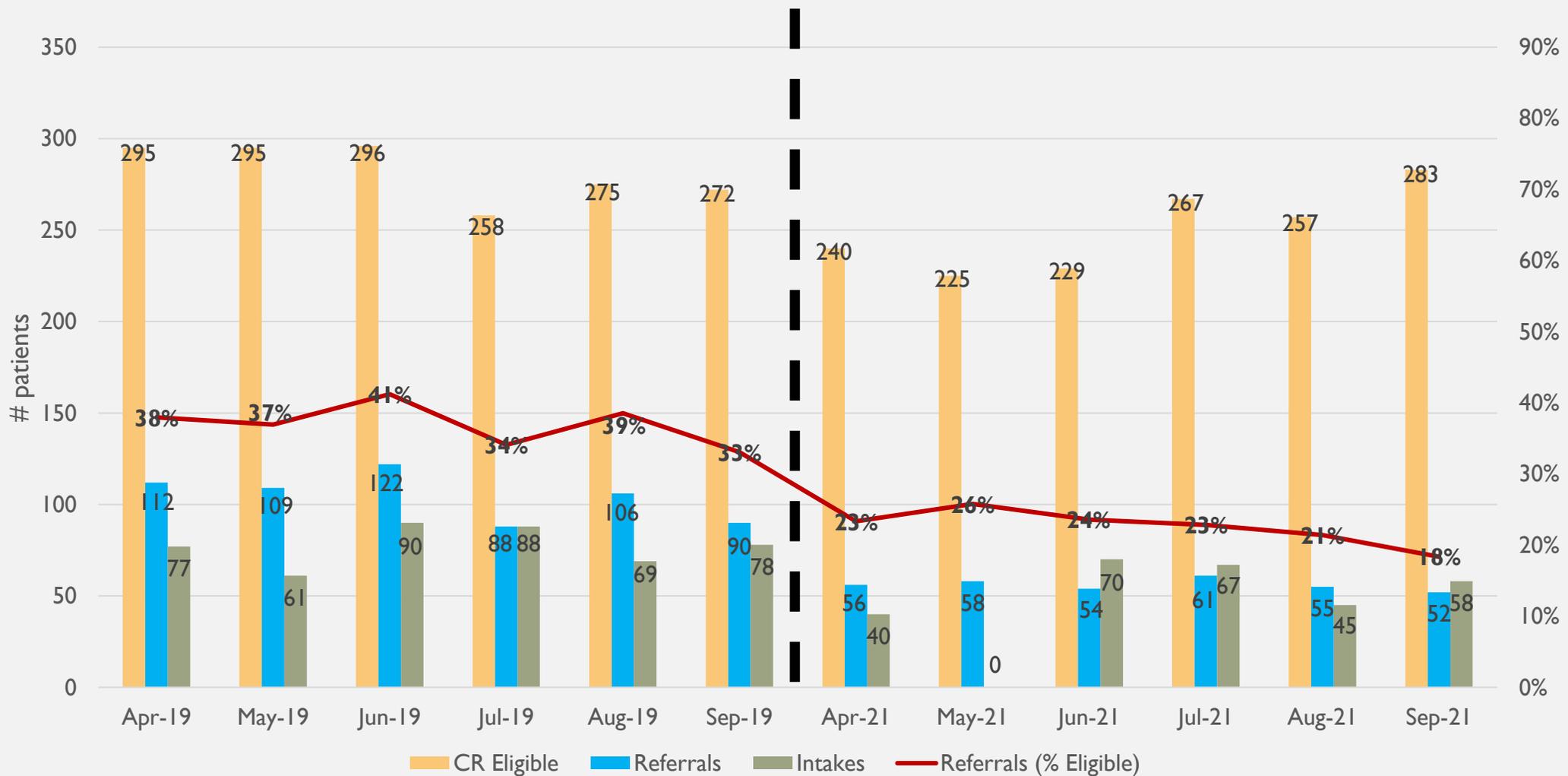
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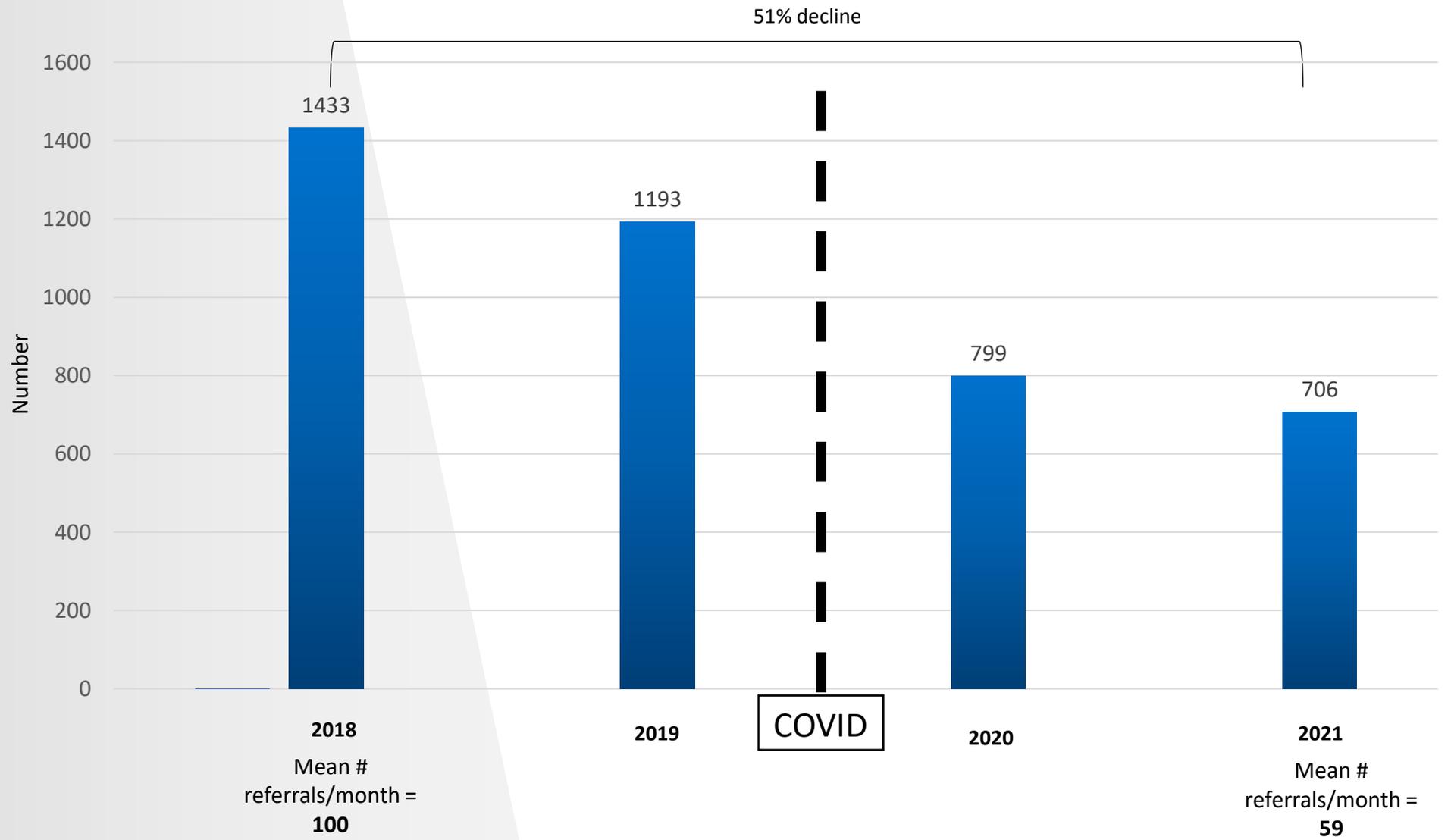
CR Referrals (into cardiologica) Jan - Sept: 2019 vs 2021



“DENOMINATOR” ... CR ELIGIBLE & REFERRALS & INTAKE



CRSP REFERRAL



Did patient sex influence wait-times for CR during the pandemic? - the CACPR Registry Experience from Ontario -

Suskin, N. Oh, P. Petro, J. Voth, J. Huitema, A. McKelvie, R. Hartley, T. Matthews, J. Pierce, A. Ricci, J. Chipperfield, D.
CACPR Registry ready Sites

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RATIONALE

Longer wait-times from CR referral to intake are associated with poorer CR outcomes, and female patients have traditionally been under-represented in CR programs.

The impact of the pandemic on wait-times, whether wait-times met the national 30-day quality-indicator, and whether wait-times differed by patient sex, are unknown.

CACPR Registry-ready sites are participating in an Ontario-wide CR measurement initiative which is collecting aggregate data to assess CR activity. Here we examine the impact of sex in regard to wait-times from CR referral to CR intake prior to and during the pandemic in 3 large (> 500 new patients annually) CR programs in different regions of Ontario, designated as A, B, and C.

OBJECTIVES

To evaluate whether CR Referral to Intake wait-times during the Pandemic:

1. Increased overall or met the 30-day quality indicator
2. Differed between the sexes

METHODS

- CR referral = formal written or electronic request for CR service
- Patients = Post MI, PCI, CABG, valve surgery or stabilized HF
- CR intake = 1st meaningful clinical encounter between the patient and clinical CR professional
- Sites submitted monthly CR referral and intake data
- To control for potential seasonal variation, we report here the comparison of wait-times for the 6-month period starting March 2020 (Pan) vs. the 6-month period starting March 2019 (PrePan)

RESULTS

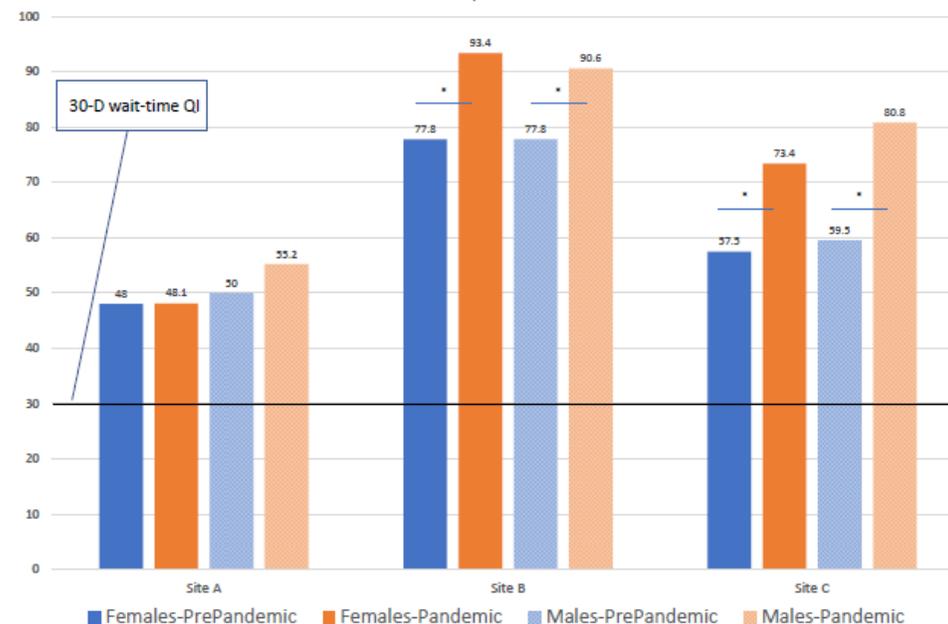
Pan vs. Pre-pan wait-times (days) were:

- not different for Site A (52.6 vs. 49.2, $P>0.05$)
- were longer for Sites B (91.5 vs. 77.8, $P<0.001$) and C (78.2 vs. 58.8, $P<0.001$)
- were no different ($p>0.05$) for female vs. male patients at any site during Pan (A 48.1 vs. 55.2, B 93.4 vs. 90.6 and C 73.4 vs. 80.8); or prepan periods (A 48.0 vs. 50.0, B 77.8 vs. 77.8 and C 57.5 vs. 59.5)

CONCLUSIONS

Assessment of the impact of the pandemic on CR referral to intake wait-times, can be quantified using aggregate data collection through participation in the CACPR Registry. The pandemic appeared to be associated with increased wait-times in 2 of 3 large CR sites in Ontario but not the 3rd site. All sites exceeded the quality-indicator 30 day wait-time. There was no difference in wait-times in relation to patient sex. The Registry can facilitate regular monitoring and mitigation of non-target wait-times which are important to improve CR care quality.

PrePandemic vs. Pandemic CR Referral to Intake Wait-times (days) by Sex
* $p<0.05$



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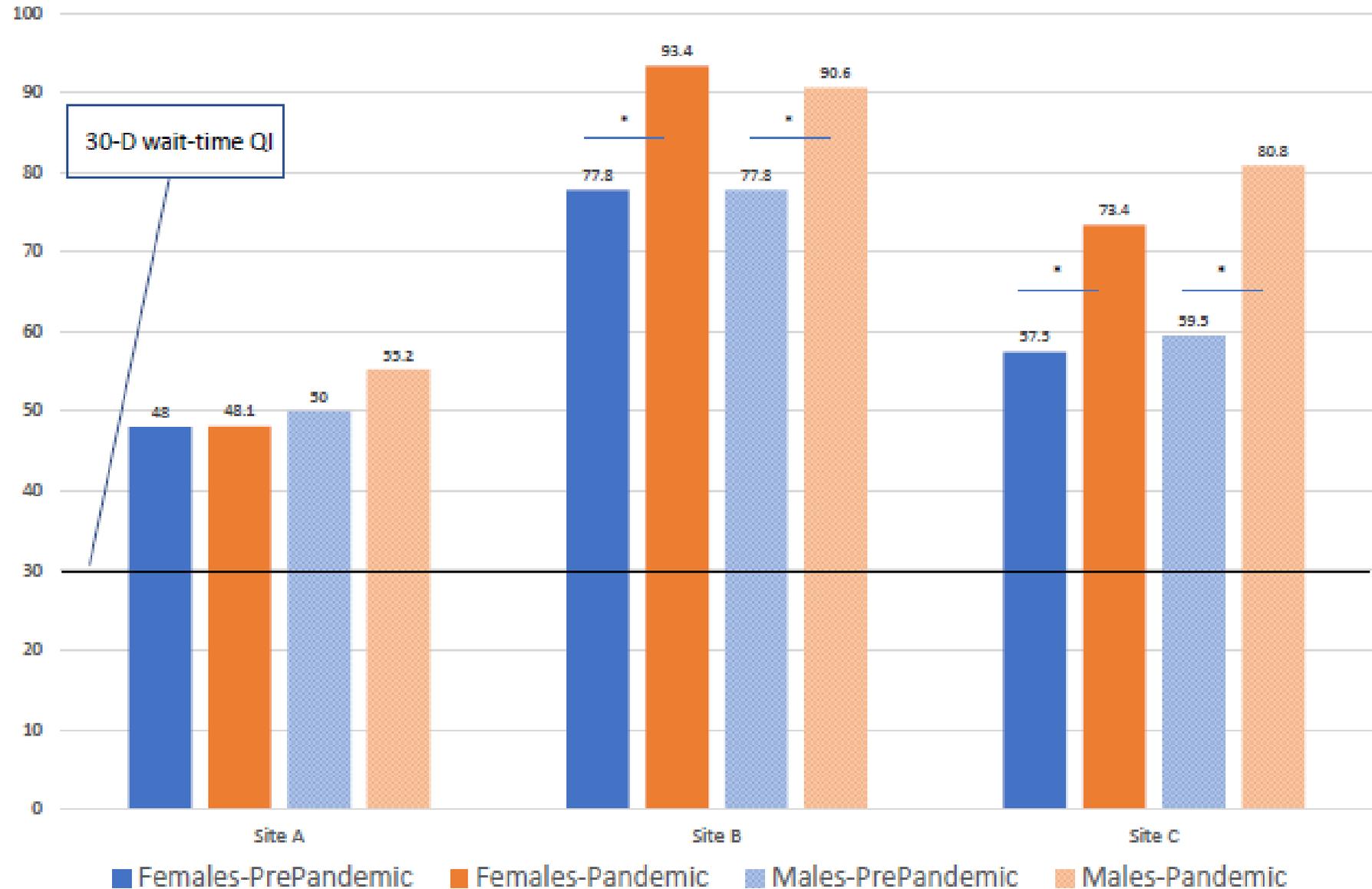
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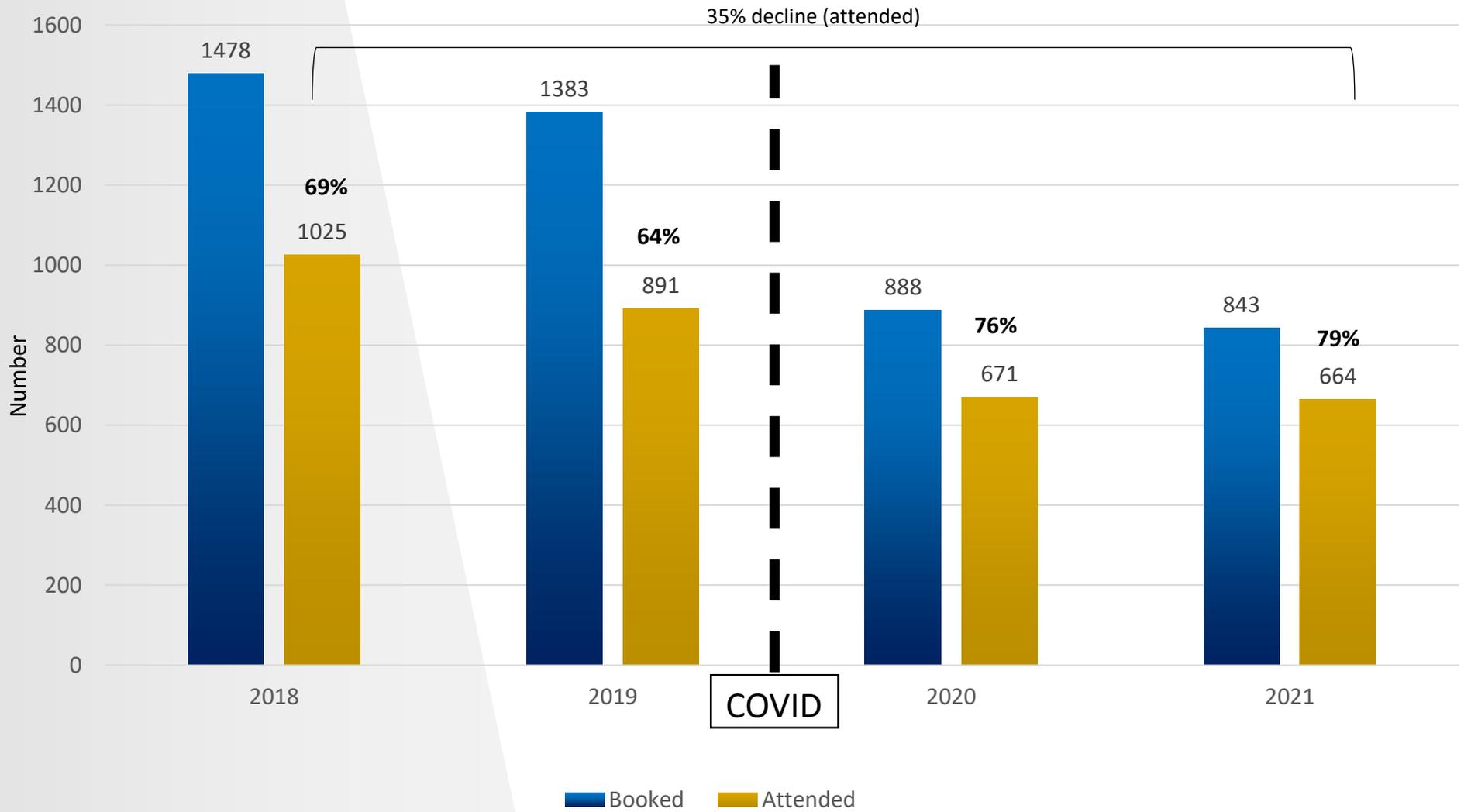
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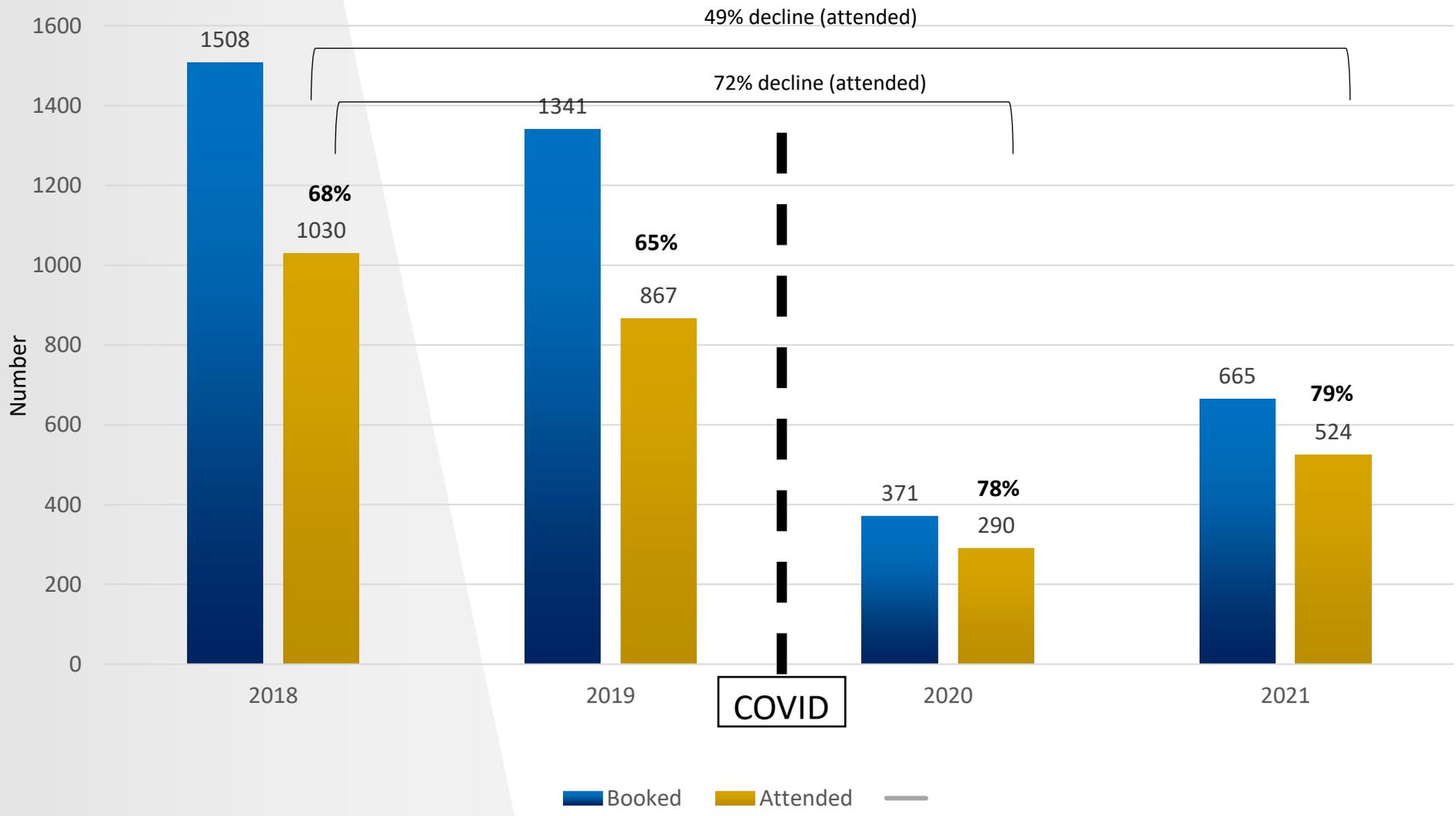
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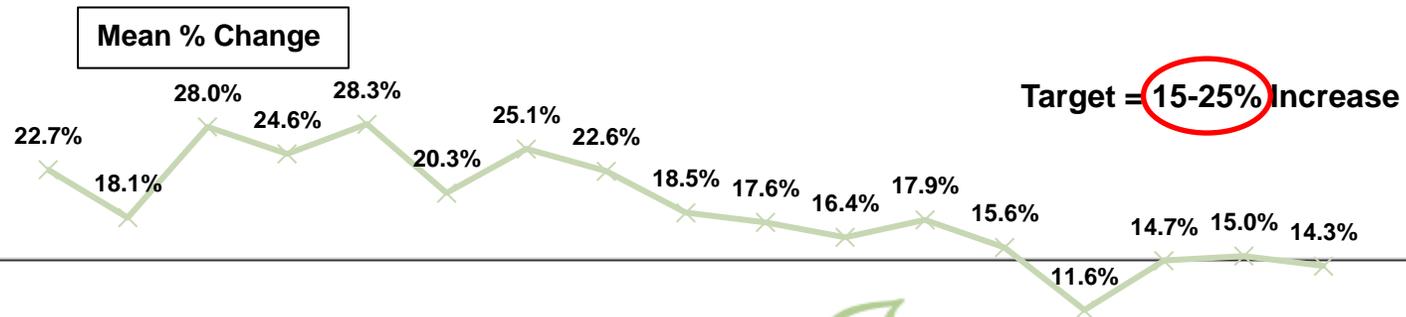
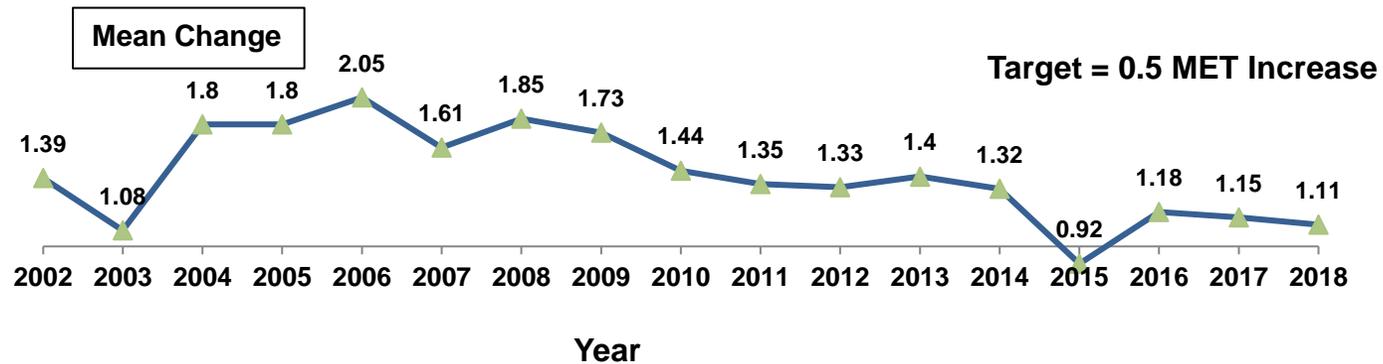
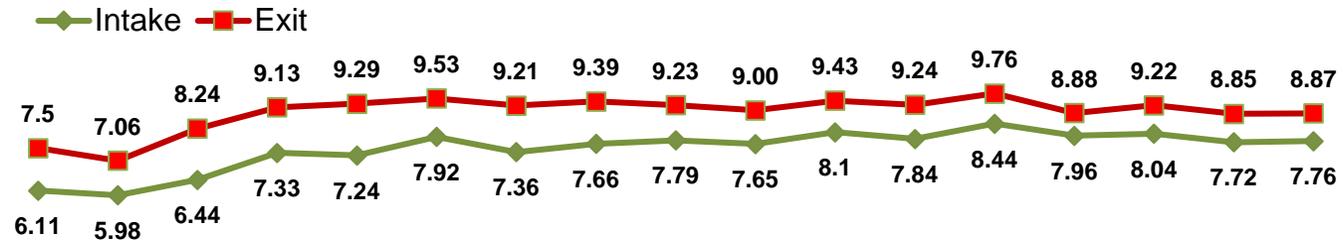
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CRSP INTAKE
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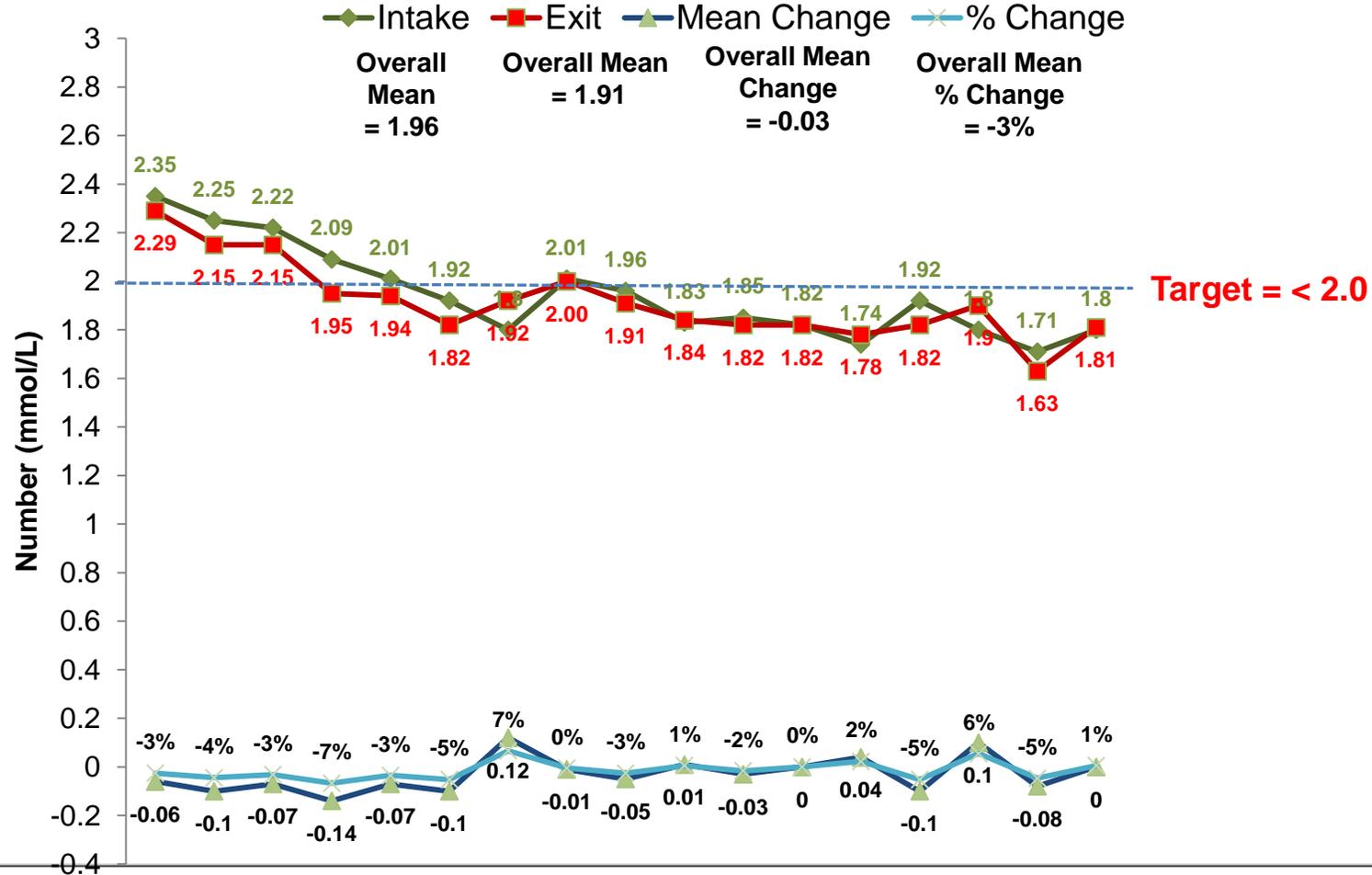
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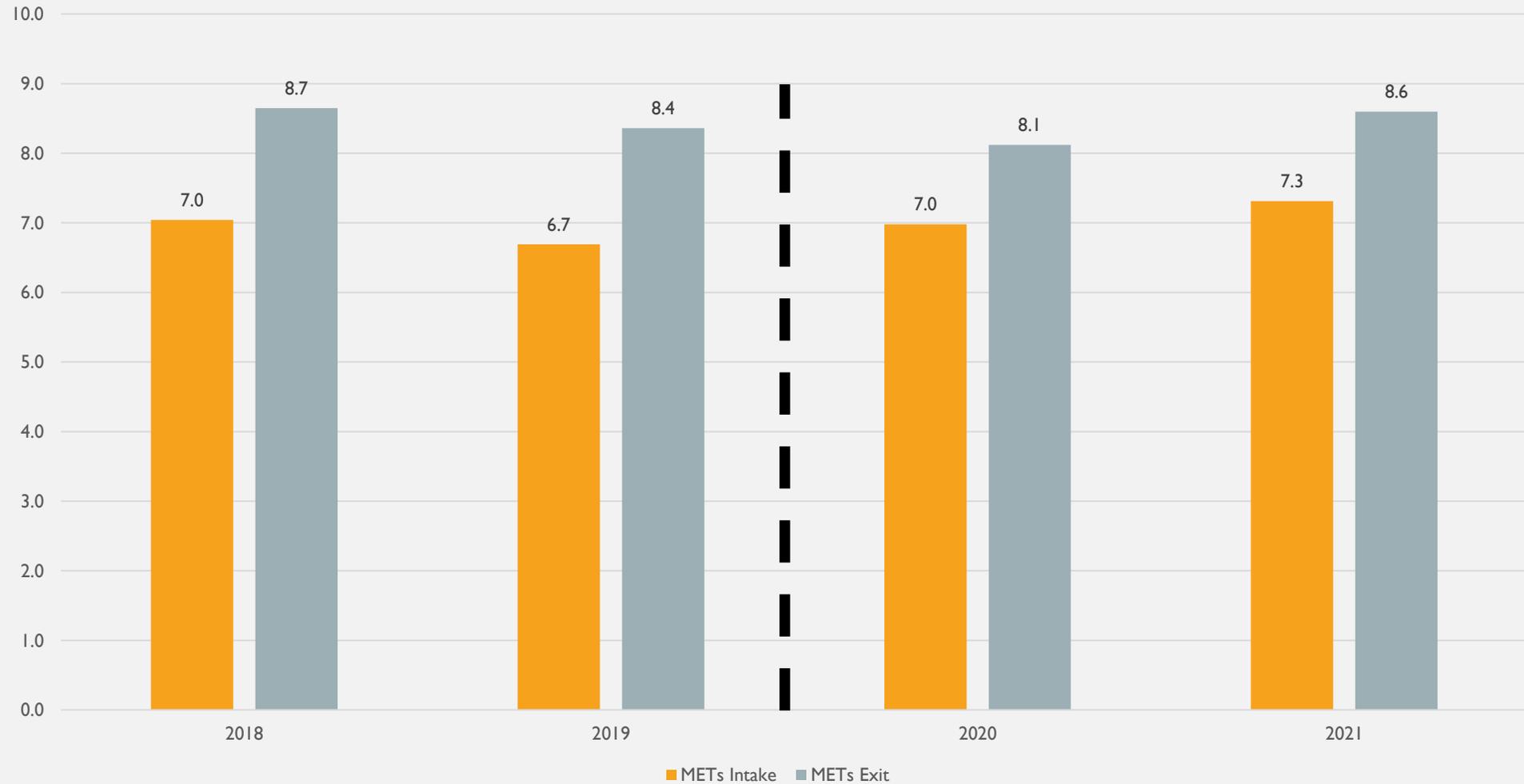
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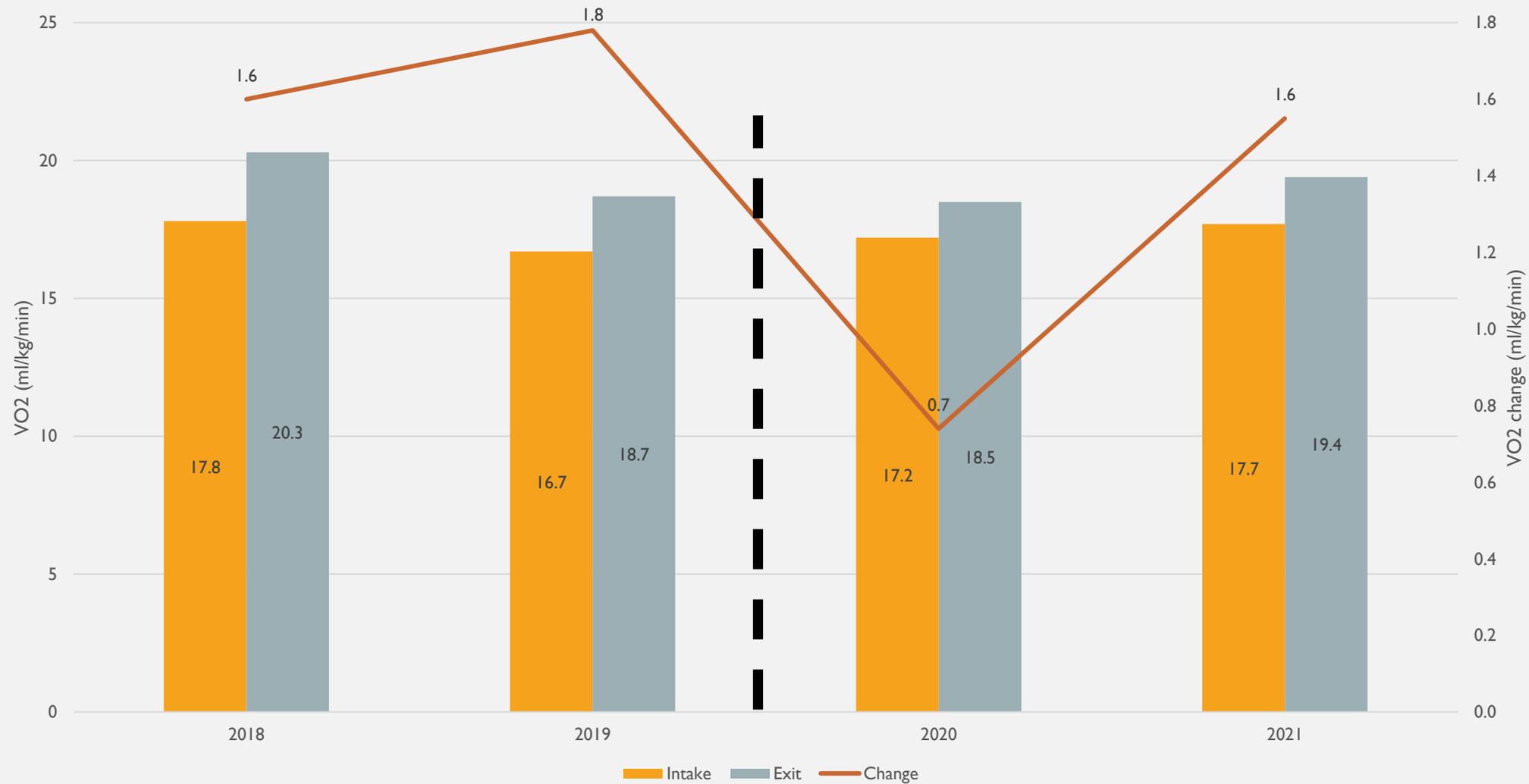
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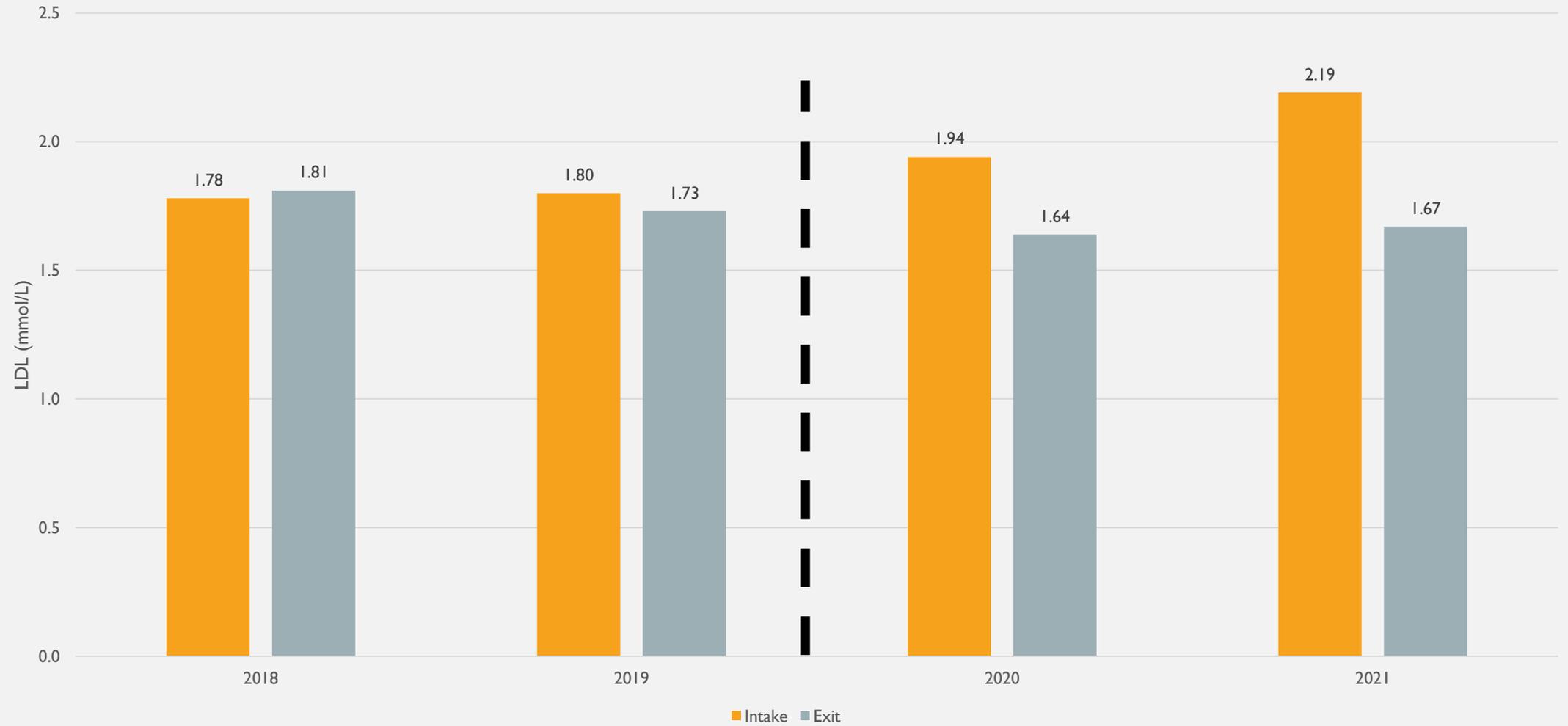
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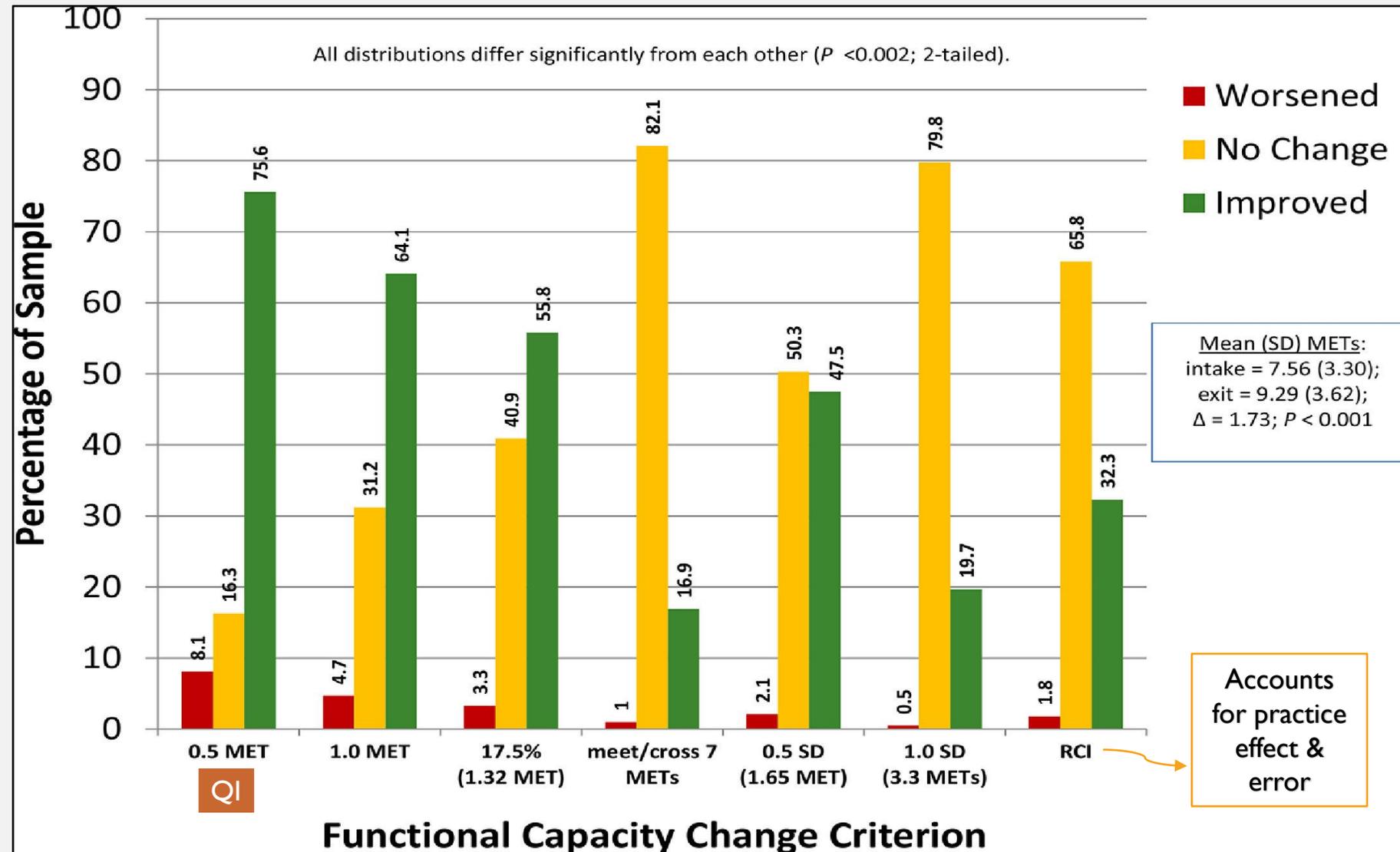
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LDL CHANGE

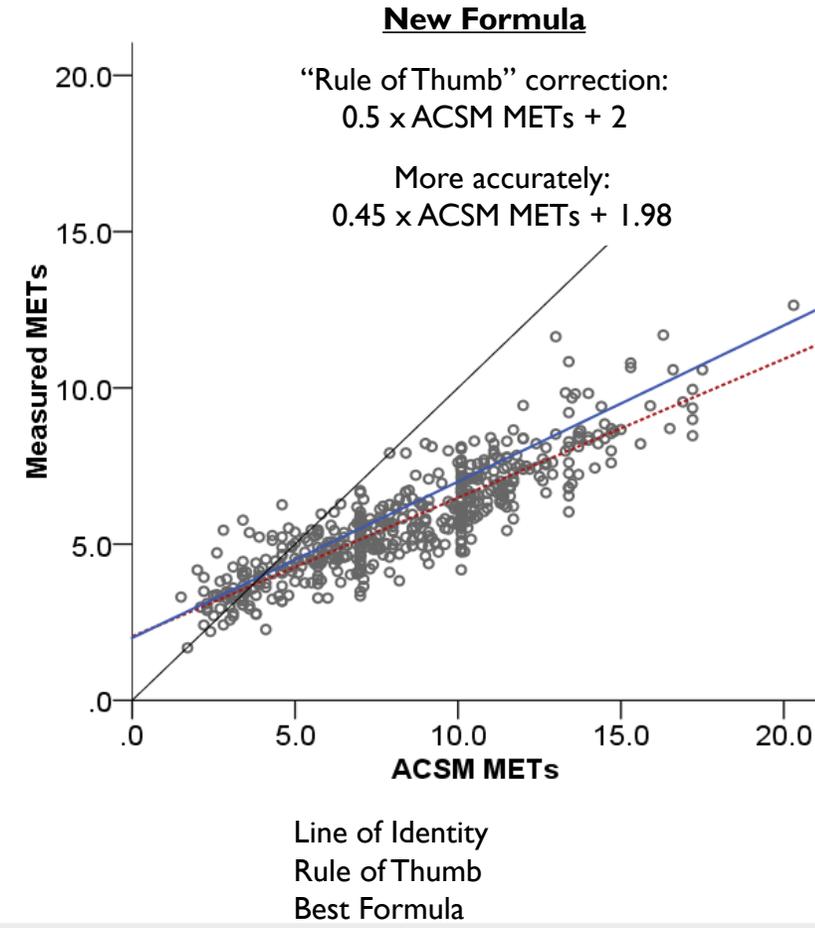
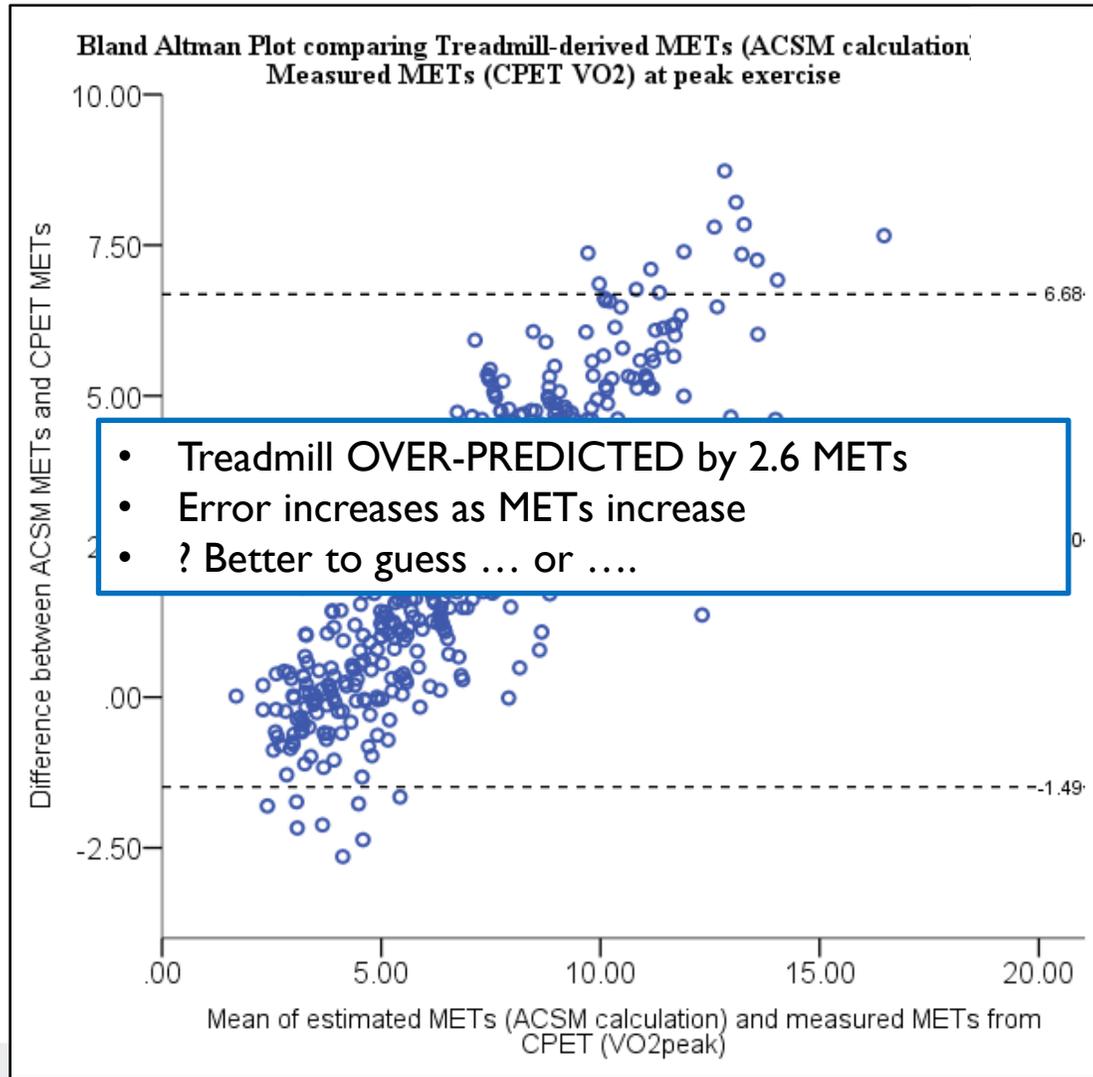


Measuring True Change in Individual Patients: Reliable Change Indices of CR Outcomes, and Implications for Quality Indicators

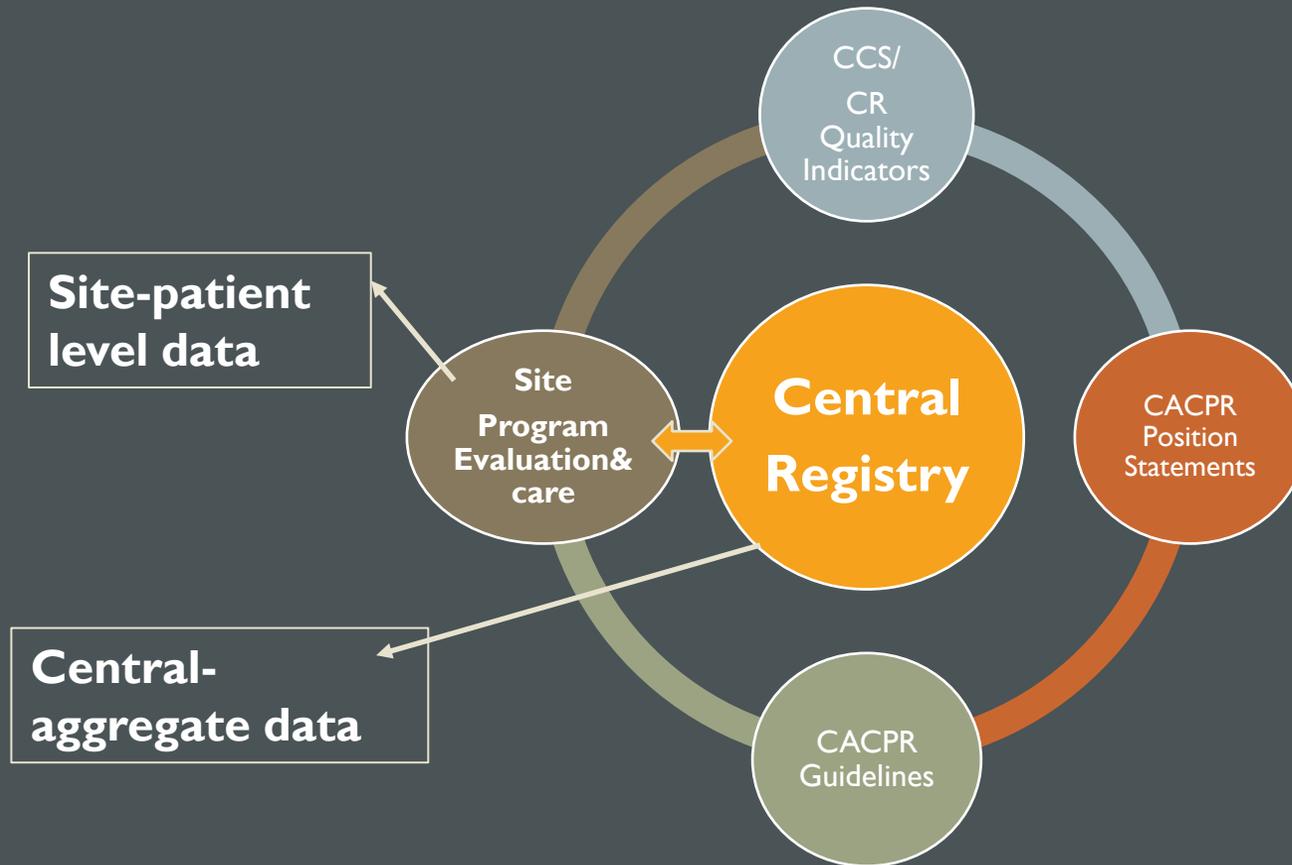


Editors Pick!

Treadmill predicted VO2 vs. measured VO2



CACPR CARDIOLOGICA REGISTRY SUITE & CR QUALITY



CARDIOLOGICA: DISCHARGE DOCUMENTATION PROJECT

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- Toronto- Dr. Paul Oh
- Scarborough- Dr. Joe Ricci

The screenshot shows a clinical decision support tool interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with tabs for patient, demographic, referral, exercise, history, outcomes, stress, discharge, and events. Below this, there is a secondary navigation bar with tabs for symptoms, comorbidities, tobacco / alcohol, bloodwork / physical, therapies, status summary, falls, and COPY. The main content area is titled "lipid-lowering therapies" and is divided into three sections: "LDL at target", "LDL not at target (statin tolerated)", and "LDL not at target (current statin regimen not tolerated)". Each section contains a list of bullet points with clinical recommendations. A "calculate" button is located at the bottom of the interface.

patient demographic referral exercise history **outcomes** stress discharge ★events

symptoms comorbidities tobacco / alcohol bloodwork / physical **therapies** status summary falls ★COPY

lipid-lowering therapies

LDL at target

- LDL is within appropriate target, Continue current management and regular screening.
- Patient is at high Framingham risk, and LDL is within appropriate target, Continue current management and regular screening.
- Patient is at intermediate Framingham risk, and LDL is within appropriate target, Continue current management and regular screening.
- Patient is at low Framingham risk, LDL within appropriate target. Continue current management and regular screening.
- **LDL is outside of target guidelines.**

LDL not at target (statin tolerated)

- Increase statin to maximum tolerated guideline directed dose (Atorvastatin 80 mg PO daily, rosuvastatin 40 mg PO daily) and recheck lipids in 3 months.
- Add ezetimibe 10mg PO daily to maximum tolerated guideline directed dose of statin and recheck lipids in 3 months.
- **Add PCSK9 inhibitor to ezetimibe and maximum tolerated guideline directed dose of statin and recheck lipids in 3 months.**
- Add ezetimibe 10mg PO daily to PCSK9 inhibitor and recheck lipids in 3 months.

LDL not at target (current statin regimen not tolerated)

- Patient intolerant of high potency statin. Consider alternate dosing regimen or discontinue current statin and start trial of a low potency statin to maximally tolerated guideline directed dose and recheck lipids in 3 months.
- Patient intolerant of multiple statins Consider discontinuation of statin medication and starting PCSK9 monotherapy and recheck lipids in 3 months.

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CARDIOLOGICA: DISCHARGE DOCUMENT



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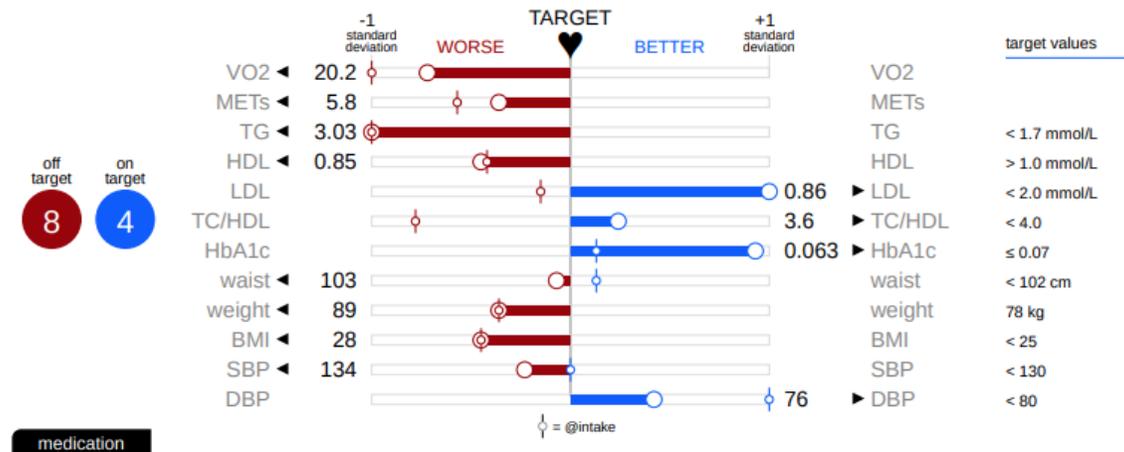
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discharge

PATIENT ▶ Abeqyk, Law
DOB ▶ 25-Sep-1954 —age: 65.7

MRN ▶ 52710
health card ▶

Referral Events ▶ none
CV Background ▶ valvular heart disease [13-Sep-2018], CABG [13-Sep-2018]
History ▶ sedentary lifestyle, hypertension, diabetes - type II, CAD



medication

stress test

PROTOCOL	DURATION	METS	SBP PEAK	DBP PEAK	ISCHEMIA
intake ▶ cycle	7:37	5.2	190	80	no
discharge ▶ cycle	8:16	5.8	170	80	no

training

MIN HR	MAX HR	THRESH HR	MIN METS	MAX METS
102	108	117		

therapy

LDL is outside of target guidelines. Add PCSK9 inhibitor to ezetimibe and maximum tolerated guideline directed dose of statin and recheck lipids in 3 months.

HAPPY CR TEAM



VERY HAPPY PATIENTS



QUESTIONS



Open Forum Discussion

Pulse Check: What is the current experience of delivery CR in Ontario?

Dr. Paul Oh

Open Forum Discussion

1. How is your program being affected by the latest COVID wave?
2. What is the current experience of delivering CR in Ontario?
3. What can CorHealth do to help support your program at this time?



Next Steps

Dr. Karen Harkness

Next Steps

- Continue **regular monthly data collection** for 2 key metrics and initial cardiac cohort:
 - The contact person from each program submitting data will receive an email from Joy Tabieros with their program-specific data collection form on the first Monday of each month
- Assuming support from CR Forum, begin data collection for two additional subgroups, starting June 2022
 - Data collection template for programs will be updated
- Present updated results at the next CR Forum (September; date TBD)



Forum materials

New Location!!

A copy of the Forum notes, slides and recording will be made available on the CorHealth website under 'Resources for Healthcare Planners & Providers'

Resources for Healthcare Planners & Providers

Cardiac Catheterization & Percutaneous Coronary Intervention (PCI)

Referral Forms

Heart Rhythm

Offlisting Form
Referral Form

Quality Performance Measurement and Monitoring (QPMM)

Cardiac QPMM Resources
Stroke QPMM Resources

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CorHealth Memos & Documents
CorHealth Stakeholder Forum Meetings
General Cardiac Resources
General Stroke Resources
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Archive

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Hypertension Management Program – Getting Started Toolkit for Primary Care

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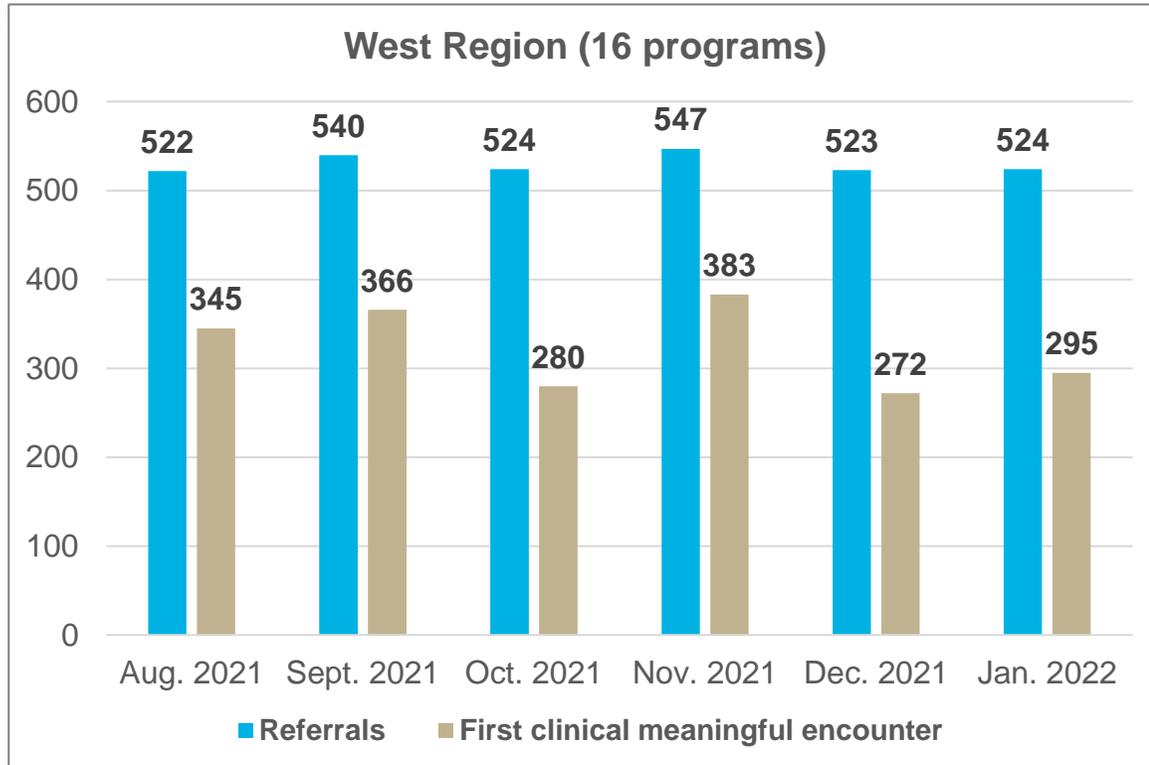
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Appendix A.

OH Region Monthly Volumes and Participating Sites

Monthly totals- West Region



Total referrals: n= 3180

Total first clinical meaningful encounter: n= 1941

Ratio: total first encounter/total referrals : 61%



Programs submitting data

Hotel Dieu Grace Healthcare Cardiac Wellness – Windsor and Leamington sites

North Lambton Community Health Centre (Sarnia)

Chatham-Kent Community Health Centre (Chatham)

St. Joseph's HealthCare Cardiac Rehab & Secondary Prevention (London)

Heathy Hearts Cardiac Rehab, Maitland FHT (Goderich)

Stratford Family Health Team (Stratford)

Grand Bend Area Community Health Centre

Alexandra Hospital Cardiac Rehab, Ingersoll

Hanover and District Hospital Hearts in Motion

Kincardine Family Health Team Hearts in Motion

Owen Sound Cardiac Rehab program (Grey Bruce Health Services)

St Mary's Cardio-Pulmonary Rehabilitation Program

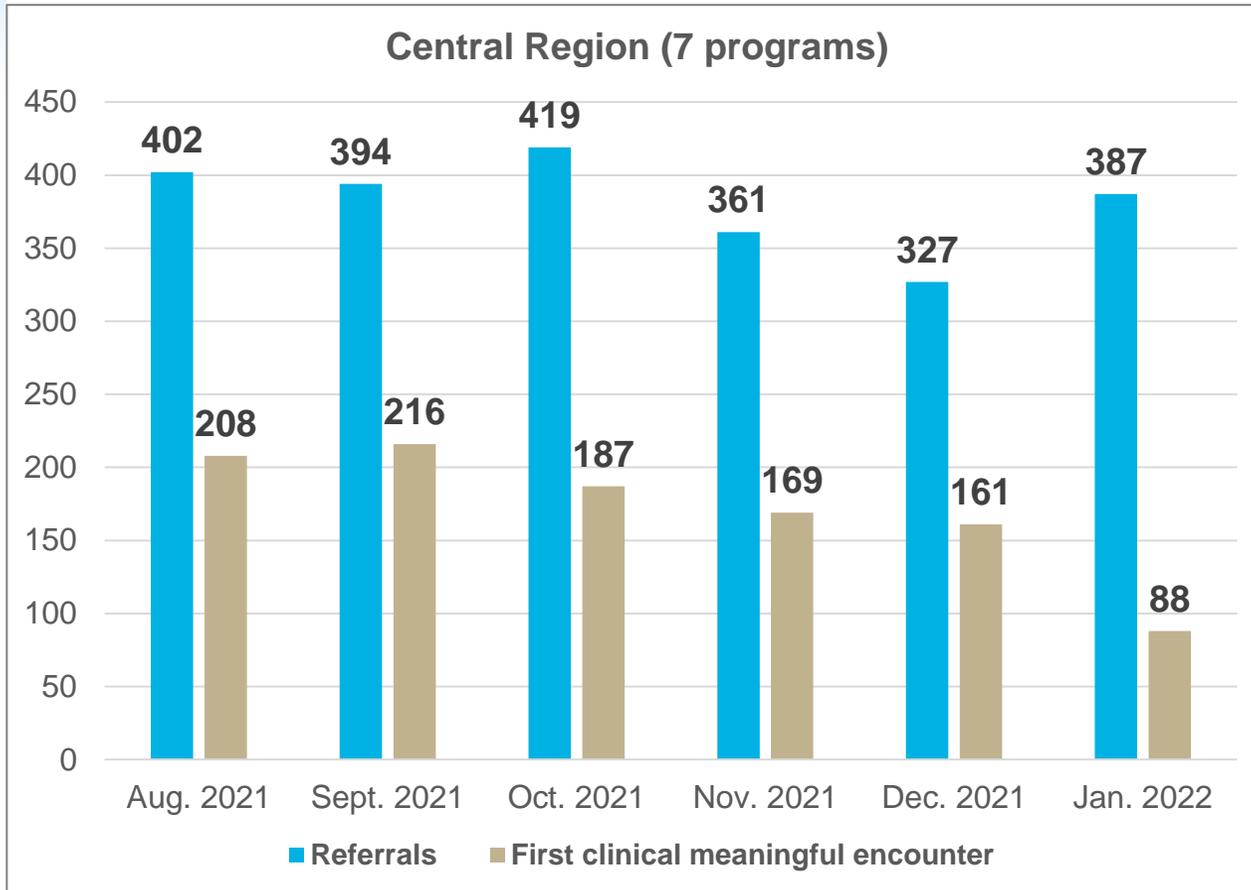
Cambridge Cardiac Care Centre (Cambridge)

Cardiovascular Health & Rehabilitation Program (St. Catharines-Niagara Health System)

Upper Grand Family Health Team

Waterloo Regional Cardiac Rehabilitation (Hardy Hearts)

Monthly totals- Central Region



Total referrals: n= 2290

Total first clinical meaningful encounter: n= 1029

Ratio: total first encounter/total referrals : 45%

Programs submitting data

William Osler Health System-CR Program at Peel Memorial Hospital-Brampton and Etobicoke General Hospital

Trillium Health Partners CR Prevention & Rehabilitation Centre

Halton Health Care - Milton and Oakville Sites

Royal Victoria Hospital Cardiac Rehab Program (Barrie and Innisfil sites)

Partner programs- Georgian Bay FHT (Collingwood, Wasaga Beach sites), North Simcoe FHT (Midland)

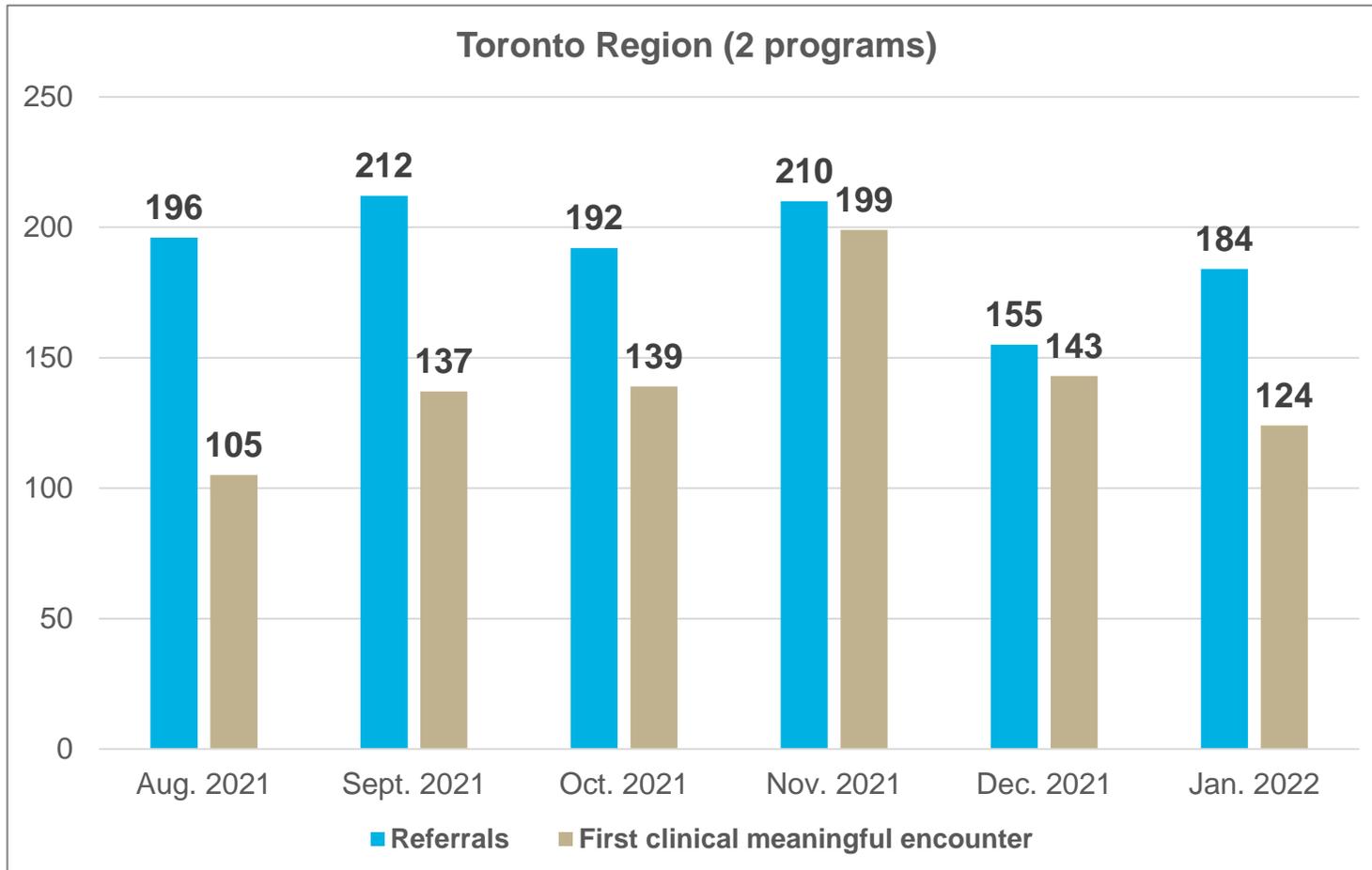
Algonquin FHT- Health Heart Program (Huntsville)

Cottage County Family Health Teams Health Heart Program

Orillia Soldiers Memorial Hospital Cardio Rehab Program



Monthly totals- Toronto Region



Programs submitting data

UHN-Cardiovascular Prevention and Rehabilitation Program

Women's Cardiovascular Health Initiative (Toronto)

Total referrals: n= 1149

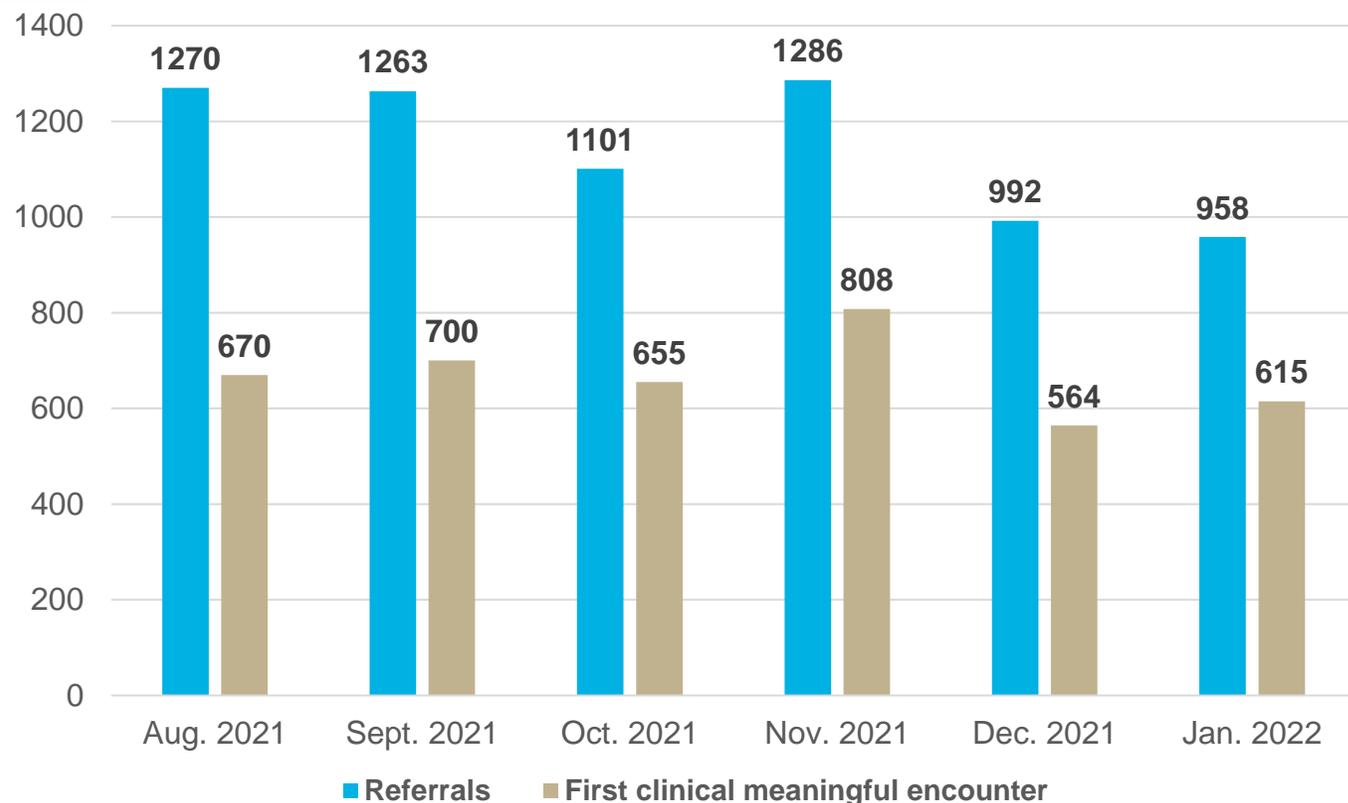
Total first clinical meaningful encounter: n= 847

Ratio: total first encounter/total referrals : 74%



Monthly totals- East Region

East Region (10 programs)



Total referrals: n= 6870

Total first clinical meaningful encounter: n= 4012

Ratio: total first encounter/total referrals : 58%



Programs submitting data

Southlake Regional Health Centre CV Prevention and Rehab Program (Newmarket)

MacKenzie Health CV Rehab Program

Carefirst Ontario - Scarborough and Richmond Hill sites

Central East Cardiac Rehab (13 sites)

Peterborough Regional Health Centre Cardiac Rehab Program

Kingston Health Sciences CR program, Hotel Dieu Site

Prince Edward Ambulatory Cardiac Centre CR (Picton)

Lennox and Addington County General Hosp. Cardiac Rehab (Napanee)

Cornwall Hospital Cardiopulmonary Rehab Program

UOHI and Partner programs submitting data

Lanark Renfrew Lung Health Program

Hawkesbury & District General Hospital Supervised Program

Alexandria: Hospital Glengarry Memorial

Cardiovascular and Pulmonary Health Services (Montfort)

Arnprior FHT and Arnprior Regional Health

Seaway Valley CHC Tele-Rehab Program (Cornwall)

North Hastings Cardiac Rehabilitation

Winchester Tele-Rehab Program

Barry's Bay St Francis Memorial Hospital (Tele-Rehab)

Pembroke Regional Hospital Cardiac Rehab Program

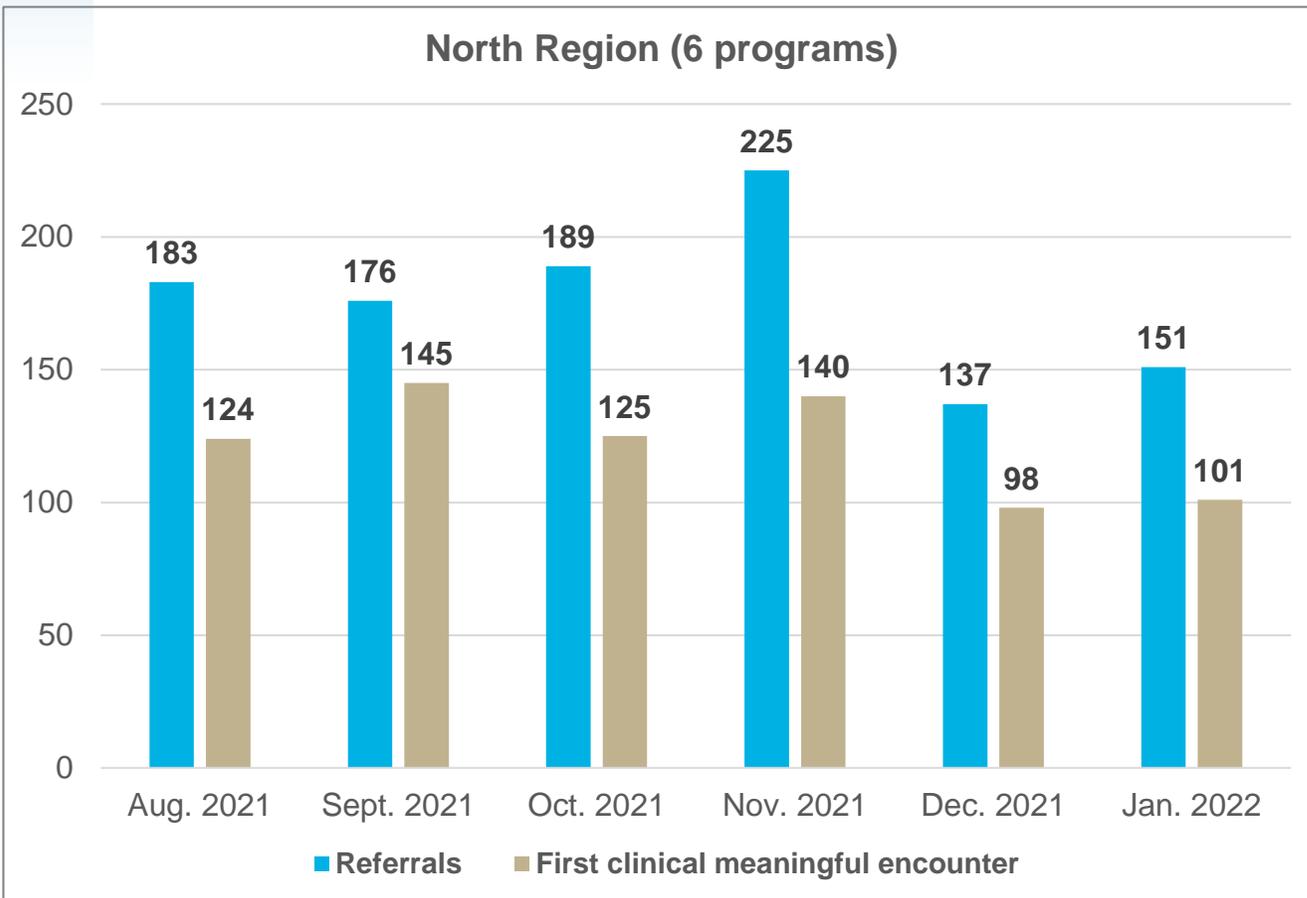
Centre de santé communautaire de l'Estrie (Bourget)

Lanark Renfrew Lung Health Program(Perth)

Brockville Cardiovascular Program

University of Ottawa Heart Institute

Monthly totals- North Region



Total referrals: n= 1020

Total first clinical meaningful encounter: n= 703

Ratio: total first encounter/total referrals: 69%



Health Sciences North and Partner programs submitting data

HSN- Sudbury	Kirkland and District Hospital Cardiac Rehabilitation and Secondary Prevention Clinic
Manitoulin Health Centre Cardiac Rehab	Temiskaming Hospital Cardiac Rehab
Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre Cardiac Rehab Program	Cardiac Rehab Program Group Health Centre Sault Ste Marie
Sturgeon Falls West Nipissing General Hosp. Cardiac Rehab Program	

Thunder Bay Regional Health Sciences Centre and Partner programs submitting data

TBRHSC (Thunder Bay)	Nipigon District Memorial Hospital CV Rehab
Redlake Margaret Cochenour Memorial Hospital CV Rehab	Geraldton District Hospital CV Rehab
Mary Bergund Health Centre CV Rehab	McCausland Hospital CV Rehab
Atikokan General Hospital CV Rehab	Wilson Memorial General Hospital CV Rehab
La Varendrye General Hospital CV Rehab	Manitouwadge General Hospital CV Rehab

Other Programs submitting data

West Parry Sound Cardiac Rehab Program	Sioux Lookout Meno Ya Win Health Centre CV Rehab
Dryden Regional Health Centre CV Rehab	Lake of the Woods District Hosp. CV Rehab, Kenora