

# Western Australia Emergency Access Target

Performance Quarterly

January to March 2016 Quarter



#### What is the Western Australia Emergency Access Target (WEAT)?

In January 2016, WA Health established the Western Australia Emergency Access Target (WEAT) to continue to drive local improvement in patient access to emergency services. This replaces the National Emergency Access Target (NEAT) following the expiry of the Commonwealth National Partnership Agreement on Improving Public Hospital Services in 2015.

The WEAT requires that 90 per cent of all patients presenting to a public hospital emergency department (ED) will be seen and admitted, transferred or discharged within four hours.

#### What hospitals does it cover?

**Tertiary Hospitals:** Fiona Stanley Hospital (FSH), King Edward Memorial Hospital (KEMH), Princess Margaret Hospital (PMH), Royal Perth Hospital (RPH) and Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital (SCGH).

**Metropolitan General Hospitals:** Armadale-Kelmscott Memorial Hospital (AKMH), Joondalup Health Campus (JHC), Peel Health Campus (PHC), Rockingham General Hospital (RGH) and St John of God Midland Public Hospital (SJOGMPH).

Country Hospitals (formerly Rural Hospitals): Albany Hospital (AH), Broome Hospital (BH), Bunbury Regional Hospital (BRH), Geraldton Hospital (GH), Kalgoorlie Hospital (KH), Hedland Health Campus (HHC) and Nickol Bay Hospital (NBH).

#### Providing the best care

WA Health is committed to building on the improvements gained from significant reform during the past six years. As a result WA is the best performing jurisdiction in Australia for this quality measure.

The 2009 Four Hour Rule Program and the subsequent National Emergency Access Target have used clinical service redesign and improvement processes to significantly change the way our hospitals operate. This has resulted in improved patient care for Western Australians.

The WEAT will continue examining and improving processes across the entire patient journey, from the ED and the wards through to hospital discharge. WA Health will continue to build on this solid foundation in emergency access reform to provide the best possible care to our patients.

#### What does this report show?

This quarterly performance report shows how Tertiary, Metropolitan General and Country hospitals are progressing towards the WEAT, which is the percentage of patients who are being seen, admitted, transferred or discharged within four hours. Overall, for the January to March 2016 quarter, the percentage of emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less is 75.9%\*. This result is below the 2016 target of 90%.

The report also includes ED attendances, which show trends in demand, and the relevant safety and quality measures which are monitored to ensure patient care remains of the highest priority.

Refer to the Notes section (page 23) and the WEAT Reporting Data Definitions and Business Rules (pages 24 to 27) for information on how to interpret the figures in this report.

<sup>\*</sup> Figure does not include PHC data for January to March 2016.



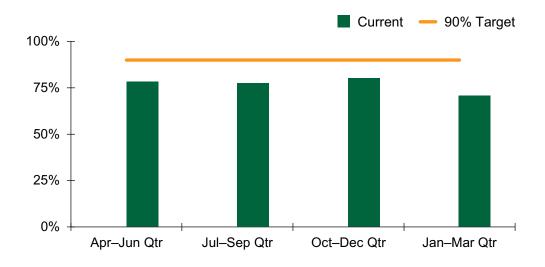
Fiona Stanley Hospital
King Edward Memorial Hospital
Princess Margaret Hospital
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Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

#### Fiona Stanley Hospital

	January to March 2016	Com	pared to January to March 2015#
25,781	emergency department attendances	N/A	emergency department attendances
70.9%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
48.0%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less¹
48.7%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	N/A	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹
83.2%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.2%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours		
1.6%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>#</sup> Fiona Stanley Hospital's emergency department opened on 3 February 2015, therefore there is no data prior to February 2015.

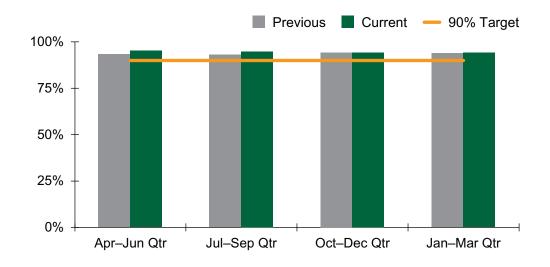
Figure 1: Fiona Stanley Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



## King Edward Memorial Hospital

	January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015		
3,121	emergency department attendances	<b>\</b>	9.2%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 315 less attendances	
93.8%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\uparrow$	0.3%	increase in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
76.7%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\uparrow$	0.2%	increase in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
75.9%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	8.3%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
96.2%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	0.5%	increase in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
0.1%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours				
0.3%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions				

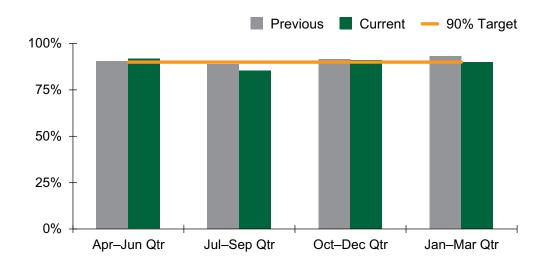
Figure 2: King Edward Memorial Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### **Princess Margaret Hospital**

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
14,643	emergency department attendances	$\downarrow$	3.3%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 494 less attendances
90.1%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>→</b>	3.3%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
67.3%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>→</b>	12.0%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
73.9%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	8.8%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
95.9%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>→</b>	1.3%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.2%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
0.03%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

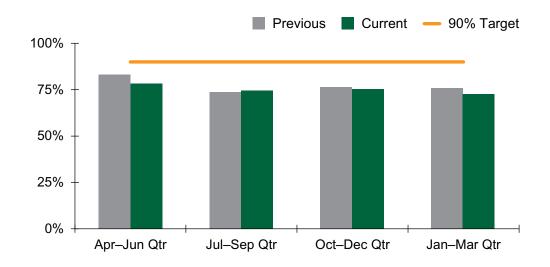
Figure 3: Princess Margaret Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### Royal Perth Hospital

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
18,332	emergency department attendances	<b>\</b>	5.6%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 1,081 less attendances
72.4%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	4.6%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
53.9%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	5.7%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
39.8%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	23.0%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
84.4%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	6.8%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.2%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
1.2%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

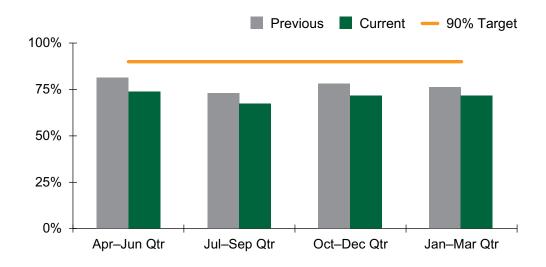
Figure 4: Royal Perth Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less

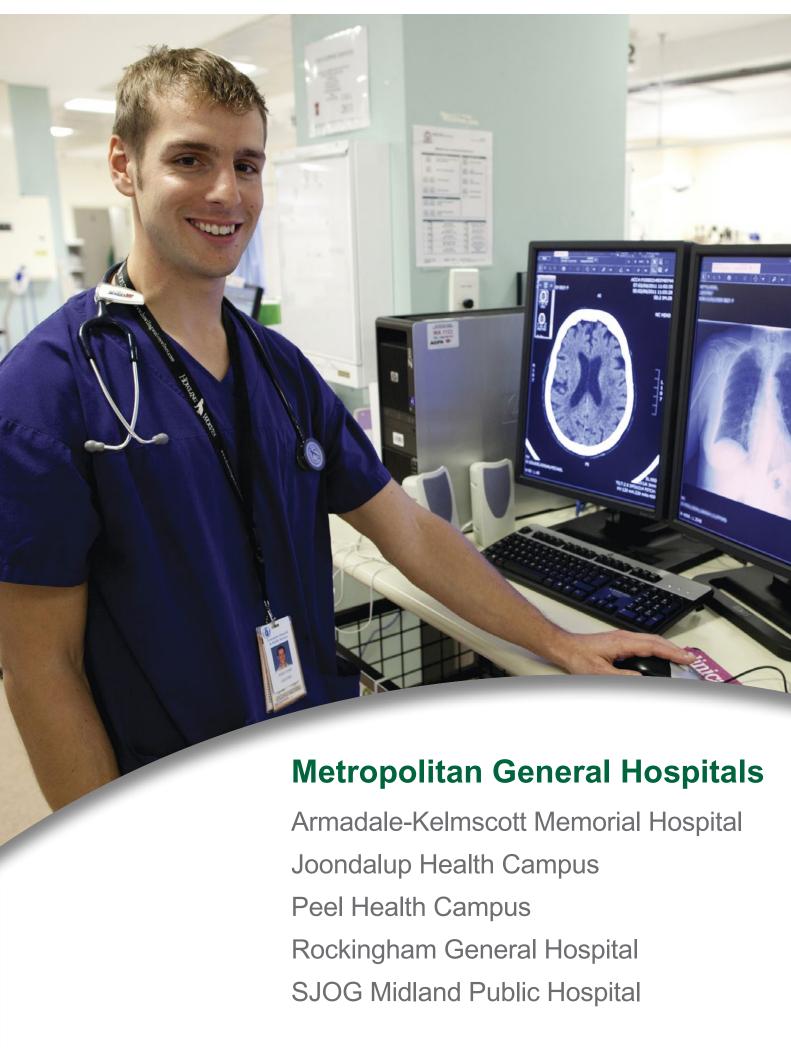


#### Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
17,724	emergency department attendances	$\uparrow$	1.2%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 213 more attendances
71.7%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	5.9%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
60.3%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	10.0%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
35.5%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	22.5%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
85.2%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	2.7%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.1%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
2.0%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

Figure 5: Sir Charles Gairdner Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less

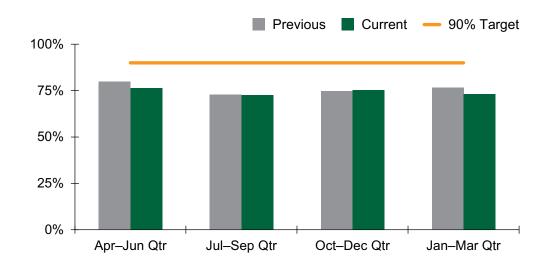




#### Armadale-Kelmscott Memorial Hospital

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
14,746	emergency department attendances	$\downarrow$	2.1%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 319 less attendances
73.2%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\downarrow$	4.6%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
25.9%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	17.3%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
46.3%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	0.2%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
81.7%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	3.7%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.5%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
2.1%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

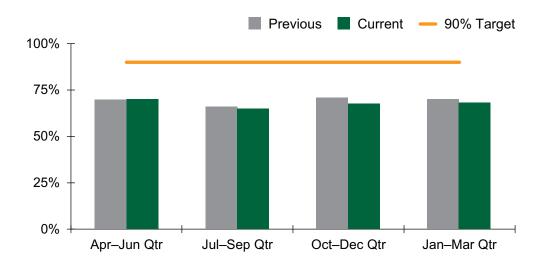
Figure 6: Armadale-Kelmscott Memorial Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



## Joondalup Health Campus

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
24,924	emergency department attendances	<b>↑</b>	3.1%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 761 more attendances
68.1%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	2.8%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
43.4%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	5.3%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
56.3%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\uparrow$	3.8%	increase in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
80.0%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	2.3%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.5%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
0.8%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

Figure 7: Joondalup Health Campus – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less

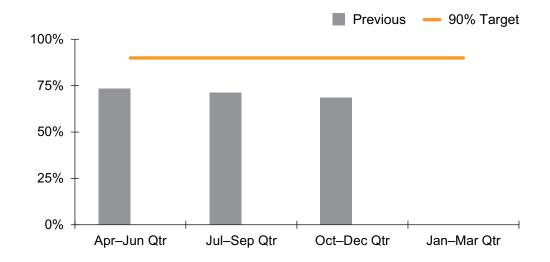


#### Peel Health Campus

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
11,256	emergency department attendances	<b>\</b>	3.7%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 437 less attendances
N/A*	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>		N/A*	emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A*	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>		N/A*	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A*	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹		N/A*	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A*	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>		N/A*	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
1.2%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

N/A\*: Data is not available due to the quality of the data within the new Meditech information system.

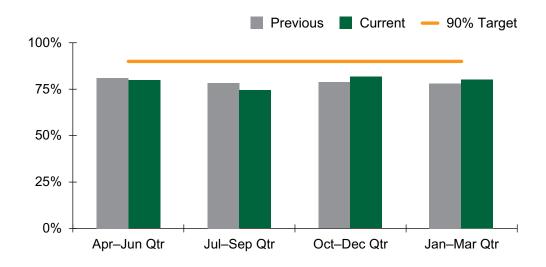
Figure 8: Peel Health Campus - Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### Rockingham General Hospital

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
13,496	emergency department attendances	$\uparrow$	4.7%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 605 more attendances
80.2%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	2.8%	increase in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
48.7%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	20.6%	increase in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
46.4%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\downarrow$	11.5%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
88.9%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	2.0%	increase in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.5%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
1.0%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

Figure 9: Rockingham General Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less

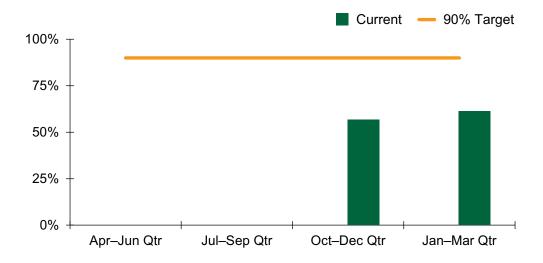


#### SJOG Midland Public Hospital

	January to March 2016	Com	pared to January to March 2015#
15,108	emergency department attendances	N/A	emergency department attendances
61.2%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
38.1%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less¹
44.7%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
72.4%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	N/A	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
0.0%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours		
N/A	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions		

<sup>\*</sup> SJOG Midland Public Hospital opened on 24 November 2015, therefore there is no data prior to November 2015.

Figure 10: SJOG Midland Public Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less

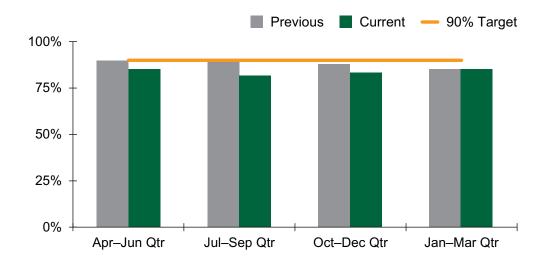




## **Albany Hospital**

	January to March 2016		Com	pared to January to March 2015
6,007	emergency department attendances	$\downarrow$	4.7%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 295 less attendances
85.3%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	0.2%	increase in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
60.8%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	8.8%	increase in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
63.5%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\uparrow$	16.0%	increase in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
91.9%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	0.4%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
1.1%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

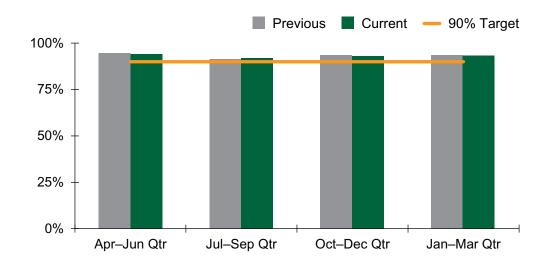
Figure 11: Albany Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### **Broome Hospital**

	January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015	
5,184	emergency department attendances	$\uparrow$	3.7%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 187 more attendances
93.2%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>→</b>	0.3%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
73.9%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>→</b>	4.1%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
40.0%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	41.5%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
97.8%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	0.5%	increase in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
0.6%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

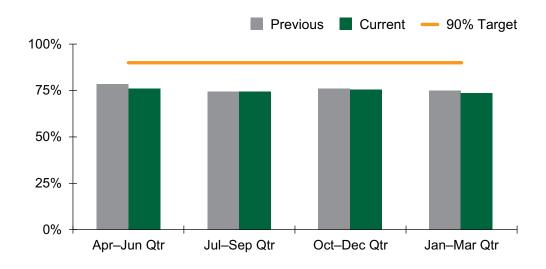
Figure 12: Broome Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### **Bunbury Regional Hospital**

	January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015		
10,068	emergency department attendances	<b>↑</b>	3.8%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 366 more attendances	
73.7%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	1.6%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
49.4%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>↑</b>	6.6%	increase in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
32.9%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	16.1%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
82.4%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less¹	<b>\</b>	2.1%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
0.5%	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours				
0.7%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions				

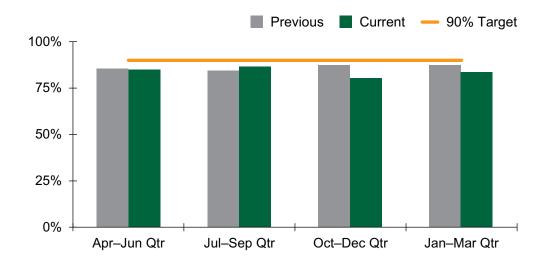
Figure 13: Bunbury Regional Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



## Geraldton Hospital

January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015		
7,045	emergency department attendances	$\uparrow$	3.7%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 250 more attendances
83.6%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\rightarrow$	4.3%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
64.4%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\rightarrow$	12.4%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
30.6%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\downarrow$	4.6%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
89.0%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>\</b>	3.0%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours			
0.7%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions			

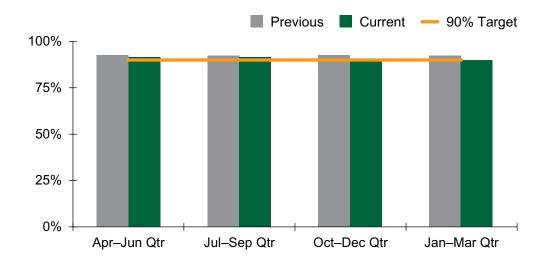
Figure 14: Geraldton Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



## **Hedland Health Campus**

	January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015		
4,941	emergency department attendances	$\rightarrow$	5.8%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 304 less attendances	
89.9%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\rightarrow$	2.6%	decrease in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
60.8%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\rightarrow$	11.9%	decrease in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
46.7%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\downarrow$	9.6%	decrease in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
94.8%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\rightarrow$	0.2%	decrease in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours				
0.3%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions				

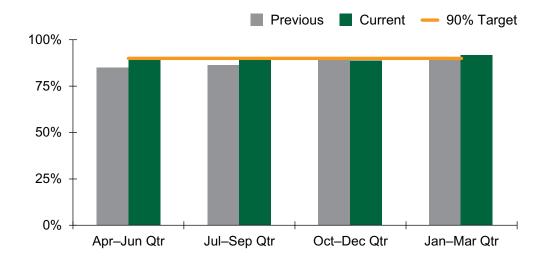
Figure 15: Hedland Health Campus – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



# Kalgoorlie Hospital

	January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015		
5,625	emergency department attendances	$\uparrow$	1.3%	increase in emergency department attendances, or 70 more attendances	
91.8%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\uparrow$	3.2%	increase in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
70.9%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	20.6%	increase in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
42.1%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\uparrow$	29.8%	increase in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
97.1%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	1.4%	increase in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours				
0.9%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions				

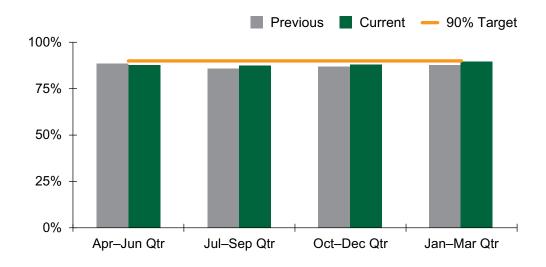
Figure 16: Kalgoorlie Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### Nickol Bay Hospital

	January to March 2016		Compared to January to March 2015		
4,447	emergency department attendances	$\downarrow$	2.3%	decrease in emergency department attendances, or 103 less attendances	
89.5%	emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	$\uparrow$	2.3%	increase in emergency department attendances with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
52.9%	emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	46.8%	increase in emergency department admissions with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
51.1%	emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less¹	$\uparrow$	53.2%	increase in emergency department transfers with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
94.4%	emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	<b>↑</b>	0.5%	increase in emergency department departures with LOE of four hours or less <sup>1</sup>	
N/A	unplanned reattendances to the emergency department within 48-hours				
0.6%	hospital mortality for emergency department admissions				

Figure 17: Nickol Bay Hospital – Percentage of ED attendances with length of episode of four hours or less



#### Notes:

Figures shown in the tables are preliminary. Figures may change within the 2014-15 and 2015-16 reporting period due to timing of coding and editing.

The target for all sites is 90% for the 2016 calendar year and has been implemented as a part of the Western Australia Emergency Access Target (WEAT).

N/A: Data not available or applicable.

<sup>1</sup> Duration in the emergency department (ED) is based on ED length of episode.

# Western Australia Emergency Access Target (WEAT) – Reporting Data Definitions and Business Rules

1: Emergency department attendances			
Definition:	The total number of all public emergency department (ED) attendances.		
Guide for use:	Includes all episodes where a patient presented at the emergency department and was registered in any manner in one of the electronic data collection systems.		
Purpose:	To provide a fundamental measure of activity levels within emergency departments.		
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.		
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.		
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		
Data extraction:	Emergency Department Data Collection (EDDC) (12/04/2016).		
Report prepared by:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		

2: Emergency department attendances with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less			
Definition:	The proportion of all emergency department attendances where the time to admit, transfer or discharge the patient from the emergency department was within four hours of their presentation.		
Guide for use:	Includes all valid attendances.		
	Excludes patients that had an invalid presentation or departure time.		
	Data is expressed as a percentage.		
	Length of episode is counted from the time the patient presents to a staff member (nurse, clerk, etc) to the time the patient leaves the emergency department or is admitted to the Short Stay Unit.		
Purpose:	To monitor the proportion of emergency department attendances that meet the WEAT objective.		
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.		
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.		
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		
Data extraction:	EDDC (12/04/2016).		
Report prepared by:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		

3: Emergency department admissions with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less			
Definition:	The proportion of all admissions from the emergency department where the time to admit the patient to a ward was within four hours of their presentation.		
Guide for use:	An admission process is the process whereby the hospital accepts responsibility for the patient's care and/or treatment.  Includes all attendances that were admitted.  Excludes patients that had an invalid presentation or departure time.  Data is expressed as a percentage.		
	Length of episode is counted from the time the patient presents to a staff member (nurse, clerk, etc) to the time the patient leaves the emergency department by going to a ward or admitted to the Short Stay Unit.		
Purpose:	To monitor the proportion of admissions from emergency department that meet the WEAT objective.		
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.		
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.		
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		
Data extraction:	EDDC (12/04/2016).		
Report prepared by:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		

4: Emergency department transfers with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less			
Definition:	The proportion of all emergency department transfers where the time to transfer the patient to another hospital was within four hours of their presentation.		
Guide for use:	Includes all attendances that were transferred to another hospital on ED departure.  Excludes records with an invalid presentation or departure time.  Data is expressed as a percentage.  Length of episode is counted from the time the patient presents to a staff member		
	(nurse, clerk, etc) to the time the patient leaves the emergency department or is admitted to the Short Stay Unit.		
Purpose:	To monitor the proportion of emergency department transfers that meet the WEAT objective.		
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.		
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.		
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		
Data extraction:	EDDC (12/04/2016).		
Report prepared by:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		

5: Emergency departi	5: Emergency department departures with length of episode (LOE) of four hours or less			
Definition:	The proportion of non admitted emergency department attendances where the time to discharge the patient was within four hours of their presentation.			
Guide for use:	Includes all attendances that were not admitted or transferred.  Excludes records with an invalid presentation or departure time.  Data is expressed as a percentage.  Length of episode is counted from the time the patient presents to a staff member (nurse, clerk, etc) to the time the patient leaves the emergency department or is admitted to the Short Stay Unit.			
Purpose:	To monitor the proportion of emergency department departures that meet the WEAT objective.			
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.			
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.			
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.			
Data extraction:	EDDC (12/04/2016).			
Report prepared by:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.			

6: Proportion of emergency department attendances which are unplanned re-attendances ( ≤ 48 hours of previous attendance)			
Definition:	The proportion of emergency department attendances where the patient re-attended an emergency department in less than or equal to 48 hours.		
Guide for use:	Includes all attendances that are coded as an unplanned return to ED.		
	Excludes records with an invalid presentation or departure time.		
	Data is expressed as a percentage.		
	The 48 hours is calculated from the end of the previous attendance to the start of the current attendance.		
	The record will be assigned to the hospital where the previous attendance occurred.		
Purpose:	To monitor emergency department attendances who made an unplanned return visit in less than or equal to 48 hours.		
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.		
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.		
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		
Data extraction:	EDDC (12/04/2016).		
Report prepared by:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.		

7: Percentage of hospital mortality for emergency department admissions				
Definition:	The proportion of all hospital inpatients who decease subsequent to admission from the emergency department.			
Guide for use:	Excludes patients that are deceased in the emergency department who are not admitted and patients directly admitted to a hospital ward.			
Purpose:	To monitor the mortality of patients admitted to hospital from the emergency department.			
Includes:	All participating WEAT hospitals. Refer to page 2.			
Excludes:	All other public and private hospitals.			
Data source:	Purchasing and System Performance Division, Department of Health, WA.			
Data extraction:	Inpatient Activity (11/04/2016).			
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