

**Explanatory Notes**

All cases admitted to hospital between 01 July 2025 and 30 September 2025 have been included. Only cases where the necessary data are available have been included in the denominator for each individual analysis.

The results for process measures for which fewer than 10 cases have available data will not be reported. Instead value will be marked as 'Insufficient data'.

For this report runcharts are compared to national quartiles.

For better insight to how these standards have been structured, please refer to the **NELA standards document**.

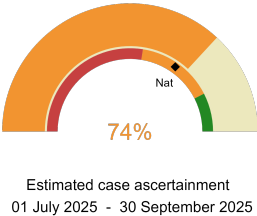


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**2025-26 Reporting Period 6: 01 July 2025 - 30 September 2025**

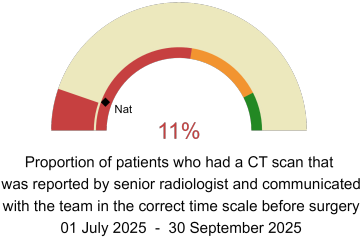
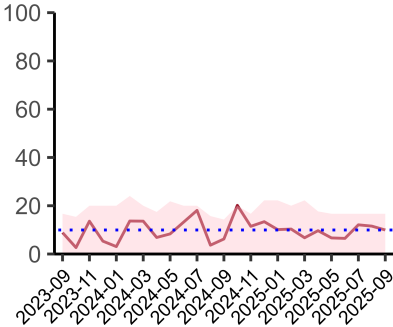
These plots represent patients having an emergency laparotomy during Year 2025-26 Reporting Period 6 of NELA data collection.

**NELA process and outcome measures**



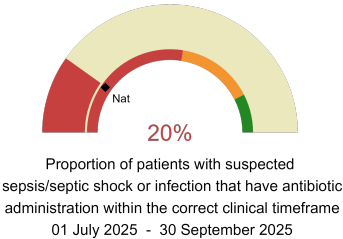
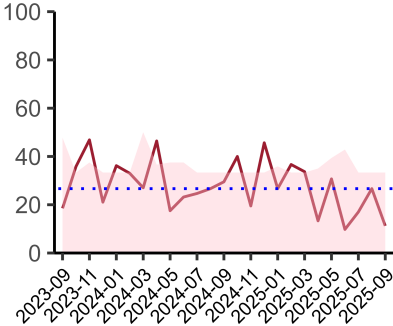
**Estimated Case Ascertainment  
(Based on HES Data)**

Expected number of cases 287  
Total cases entered 211  
Cases locked 144  
Cases unlocked 67



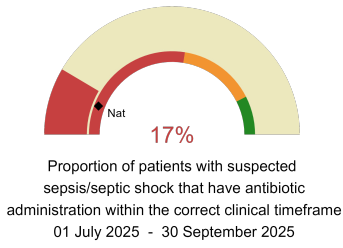
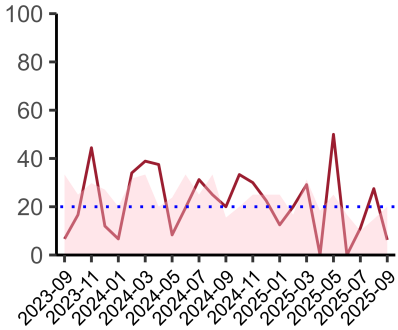
**CT reported by a senior radiologist (ST3+) and communicated with the team in the correct time scale before surgery.**

National mean 12%  
Number of patients included 158  
Data completeness 100%



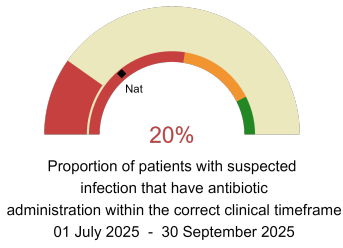
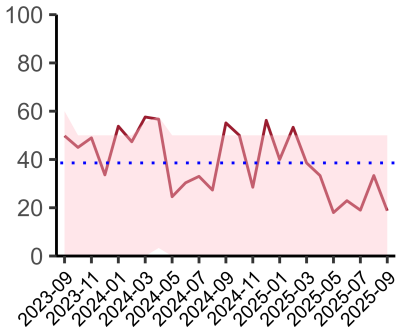
**Combined Infection management standard - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe**

National mean 19%  
Number of patients included 57  
Data completeness 88%



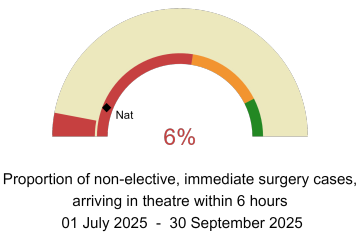
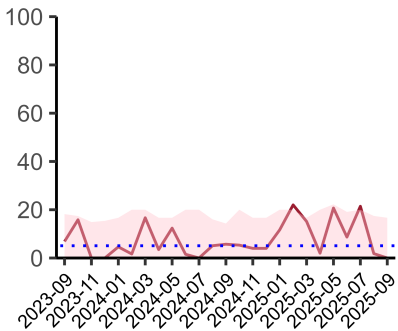
**Sepsis/septic shock - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe**

National mean 12%  
Number of patients included 24  
Data completeness 84%



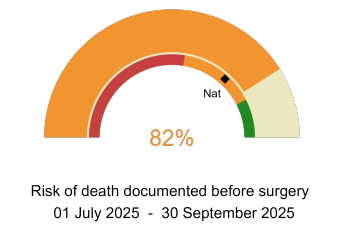
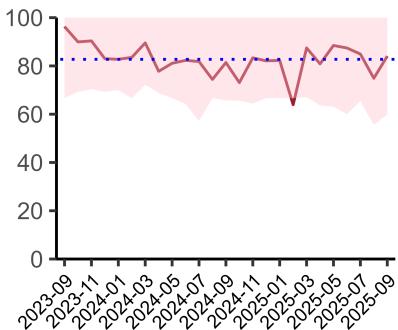
**Infection - antibiotic administration within the correct clinical timeframe**

National mean 28%  
Number of patients included 33  
Data completeness 51%



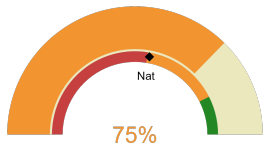
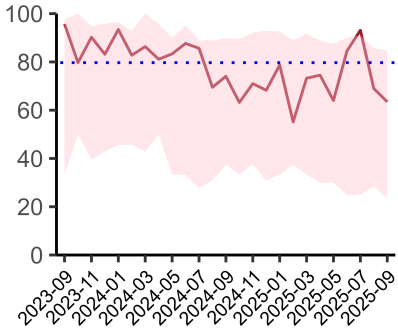
**Timeliness - proportion of patients arriving in theatre according to correct clinical timeframe.**

National mean 12%  
Number of patients included 113  
Data completeness 100%



**Risk documented before surgery**

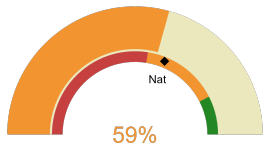
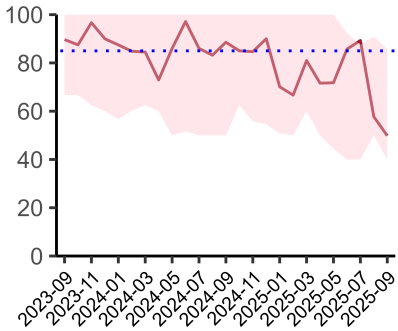
National mean 73%  
Number of patients included 211  
Data completeness 100%



Risk of death documented after surgery  
01 July 2025 - 30 September 2025

**Risk documented after surgery**

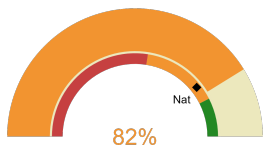
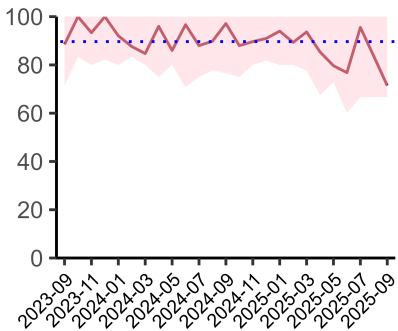
National mean 56%  
Number of patients included 211  
Data completeness 100%



Admitted to critical care following surgery when the risk of death ≥ 5% (Excludes patients who died in theatre or with a decision to palliate)  
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**Admitted to Critical Care (risk of death ≥ 5%)**

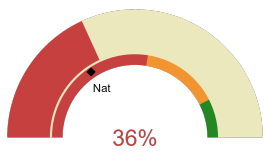
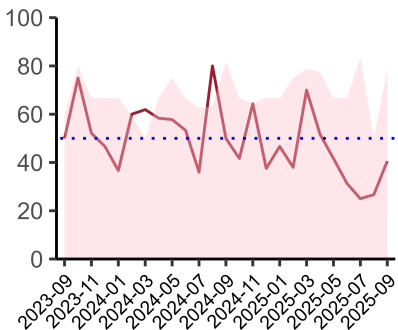
National mean 62%  
Number of patients included 115  
Data completeness 100%



Consultant surgeon and anaesthetist present in theatre when risk of death ≥ 5%  
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**Consultant Anaesthetist & Consultant Surgeon in theatre (risk of death ≥ 5%)**

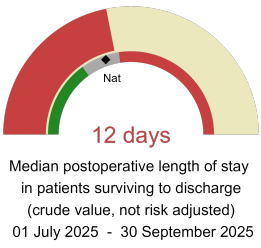
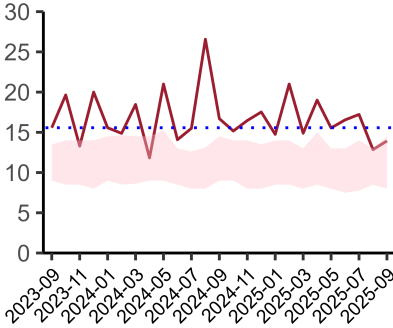
National mean 79%  
Number of patients included 109  
Data completeness 84%



Perioperative assessment by a care of the older person specialist  
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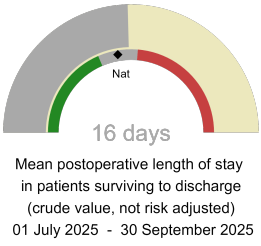
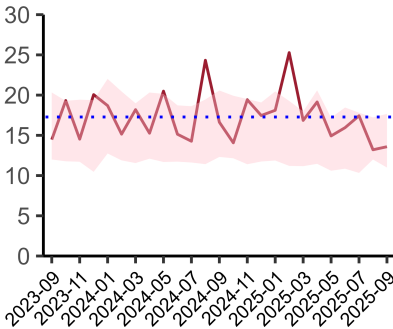
**Perioperative Assessment by a member of the geriatrician-led multidisciplinary team for patient aged 65 or over and frail (CFS ≥ 5) or 80+**

National mean 31%  
Number of patients included 59  
Data completeness 92%



**Median postoperative Length of Stay**

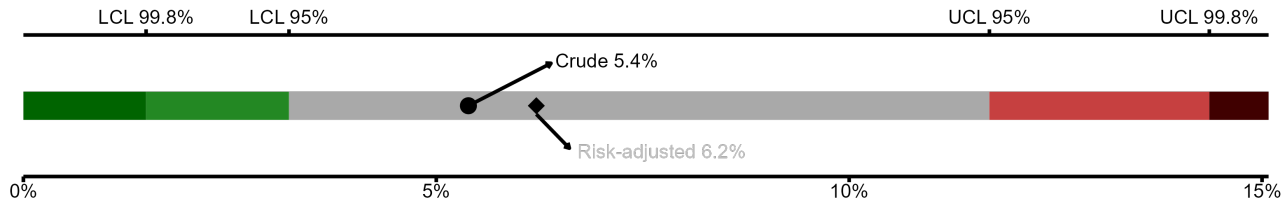
National median 10 days  
Number of patients included 157  
Data completeness 99%



**Mean postoperative Length of Stay**

National mean 14 days  
Number of patients included 157  
Data completeness 99%

**Risk-Adjusted Mortality**



Number of patients included 167 | 30-day risk-adjusted mortality rate 6.2% | National 30-day mortality rate 7.2%

**Integrated Care Board**

NHS Kent And Medway Integrated Care Board ICB comprises Darent Valley Hospital, William Harvey Hospital, Queen Elizabeth The Queen Mother Hospital, Tunbridge Wells Hospital, Maidstone Hospital, Medway Maritime Hospital.