

Total number of patients who were treated with a surgery or procedure

Alternate Name*

Number of patients who underwent a surgery or procedure.

INDICATOR DESCRIPTION

Description*

This indicator measures the total number of patients who were treated with a surgery or procedure in Ontario. The number represents the total number of patients who had a decision with their surgeons to proceed with a surgery or procedure and had the surgery or procedure completed. Patients are assigned a priority level for their surgery by the physician based on clinical evidence. The number is reported based on the institution where the surgery took place.

HQO Reporting tool/product

Public reporting

Dimension*

Timely

Type*

Process

DEFINITION AND SOURCE INFORMATION

Unit of Measurement*

Number of patients

Calculation Methods*



Total count of surgical procedures meeting the inclusion/exclusion criteria.

Inclusions:

- 1. All closed wait list entries with procedure dates within the reporting period.
- 2. For adult surgical procedures, patients that are 18 years and older on the day the procedure was completed.
- 3. For paediatric surgical procedures, patients that are younger than 23 years on the day the procedure was completed.
- 4. Treatment Cancer procedures only.
- Patients assigned as Priority Level 2 4 for surgery (Wait 2)

Exclusions:

- 1. Diagnostic, Palliative and Reconstructive cancer procedures.
- 2. Procedures on Skin Carcinoma, Skin-Melanoma, and Lymphomas.
- 3. Procedures no longer required cases
- 4. Patients assigned as Priority Level 1 for surgery (Wait 2)
- 5. Wait list entries identified by hospitals as data entry errors.

Numerator (short description i.e. not inclusions/exclusions)*

NA

Denominator (short description i.e. not inclusions/exclusions)*

NA

Adjustment (risk, age/sex standardization)- generalized

None

Data Source

Wait Time Information System (WTIS)

Data provided to HQO by

Cancer Care Ontario (CCO)

Reported Levels of comparability /stratifications (defined)

Corporation

Province



Priority level

Time

OTHER RELEVANT INFORMATION

Caveats and Limitations

1. This indicator is collected for patients who have undergone their surgery. That is, patients who are still waiting are not included in the calculation. 2. This indicator is reported not at the surgeon level but rather at the level of the facility where the procedure took place. 3. Ninety among 114 surgical facilities in Ontario report surgical wait times to the WTIS; the remaining 24 facilities do not receive wait time funding for reporting and so do not report wait times.

TAGS

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Acute Care/Hospital

Process

Wait Times

Timely

Wait Time Information System (WTIS)

PUBLISH

PUBLISH DATETIME*

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