

Quality Residency Capstone

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Team

- Quality Improvement Team
- 1. Quality Coordinator (Myself)
- 2. ED/Trauma Coordinator
- 3. Radiology Manager



AIM Statement

• Trauma Radiology STAT scans **initial** read to be read within **60 minutes or less** by radiologists.



Measures

- Establishing Measures
 - Radiology chart audits of the Emergency Department trauma patients.
 - Areas monitored in audits included:
 - When image was initially performed by radiology department.
 - When the initial read was performed by the Radiologist to the time of the final report.



Selecting Changes

- What changes can you make that will result in improvement
 - Identifying areas that were out of the benchmark of being read within 60 minutes or less and auditing chart further to see what exactly was happening.
 - Discuss with Radiology team results to see areas of improvement.
 - Discuss with Real Radiology (reads scans during weekend and afterhours starting at 1700).



PDSA

- Describe your PDSA cycles
 - Reviewed audits weekly with Radiology Manager.
 - Continue to audit scans and present it to Quality meetings.
 - Provide positive feedback to Radiologist for meeting most scans at benchmark.



Implementing Change

- Describe your PDSA cycles
 - First review of ED Trauma Radiology STAT scans initial read to be read.
 - This PDSA cycle identified 94% compliance.



Implementing Change Cont.

- 7 scans that did not meet benchmark were further chart reviewed
 - 4/7 scans were from 1 patient
 - Patient was combative from intoxication and needed sedated prior to scans which affected the time.
 - 3/7 scans were from 1 patient
 - In radiology report from Radiologist, it was mentioned on scans that they concurred with original report from Real Radiology but repot not in patient chart.

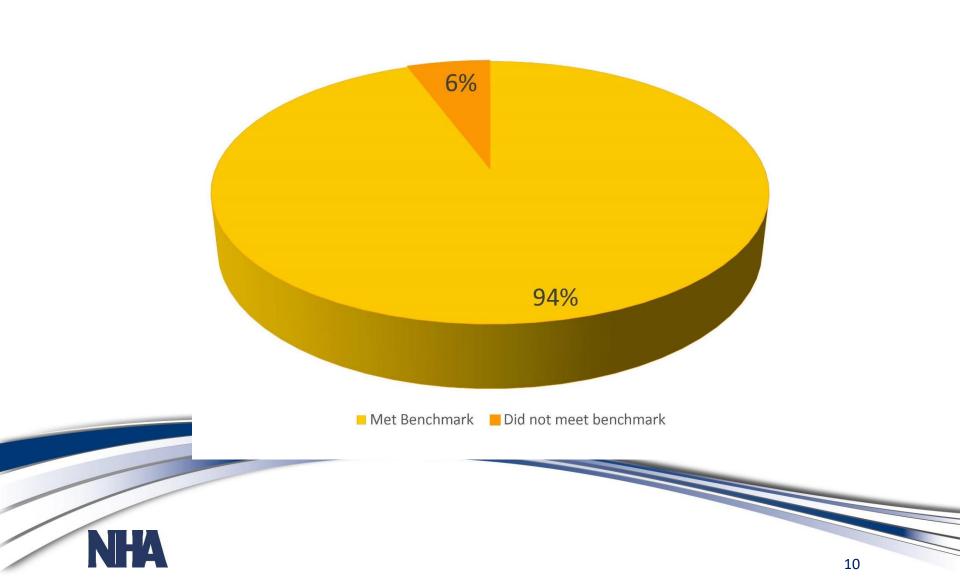


Data

- Results
 - Total patients audited (Jan-Sept 2022): 49
 - Total scans audited: 123
 - Total scans that met benchmark: 116 (94.3%)
 - Total Scan that did not meet benchmark: 7 (5.7%)



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Spreading Changes

 Continued auditing on Trauma STAT exams in the Emergency Department to maintain with State compliance recommendations.



Questions?

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