

# Impact of interventions to date\*

Emerging findings from the pathway re-design projects suggests they are having a positive impact on patient outcomes and experience. RM Partners is also supporting GPs to diagnose earlier by giving them the latest tools and technology available.

**Reduction in prostate biopsies: 54%** of men discharged without the need for a biopsy. Sepsis down to 0.2% (RAPID)<sup>1</sup>

**Rapid reporting of chest X-rays: Between 73% and 81%** patients have had their chest X-ray reported within 24 hours (Lung)<sup>2</sup>

**Reduction of DNAs** from 20% to 2% as a result of telephone triage (Colorectal)<sup>3</sup>

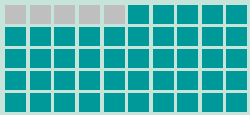


**85.4%** of patients treated within 62 days (all tumours)

Key element that is shortening the diagnostic pathway:

- RAPID and Best Practice Prostate: introduction of straight-to-test (STT) for an MRI before biopsy.
- Colorectal: the nurse-led telephone triage.
- Optimal Lung: the introduction of straight to CT for an abnormal chest x-ray.

Feedback from patient surveys so far is very positive.



**RAPID:** 89% (of 51 patients responding) said their initial appointment was sooner than expected.



**Colorectal:** 98% (of the 250 responding) rated the telephone assessment as 'excellent' or 'very good'

**Lung:** 21 patients (of 24) said it was easy to access a walk-in Chest X-ray. 14 said their CT scan was sooner than expected.

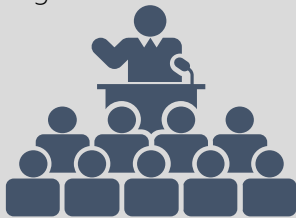


***"The speed of the appointment and the one-day diagnosis was very important in reducing 'worry-time' and stress."***

RAPID patient

## Achievements in primary care as of October 2018<sup>4</sup>:

Over **400** GPs attending events to upskill primary care in early cancer diagnosis



Over **8,000** calls to patients to improve bowel screening uptake



Over **200** extended hours cervical screening appointments



Based on early indications from the data generated so far, alongside qualitative interviews with staff at the sites. A full summary of emerging findings is provided in the First Annual Report (April 2018) which has been shared with partners.

<sup>1</sup>Data for September 2018 for Imperial, Epsom and St Helier, St George's. Patients diagnosed as having low to no risk of cancer from the MRI. Sepsis is down from 8% (nationwide) and 4% in London.

<sup>2</sup>Data for June 2018 for London North West and St George's.

<sup>3</sup>Data for September 2018 for Croydon.

<sup>4</sup>RM Partners monitoring data in October 2018