

## 1. Purpose

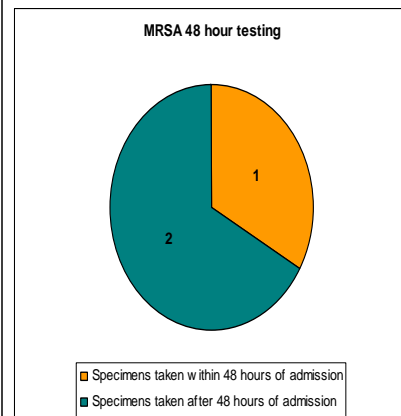
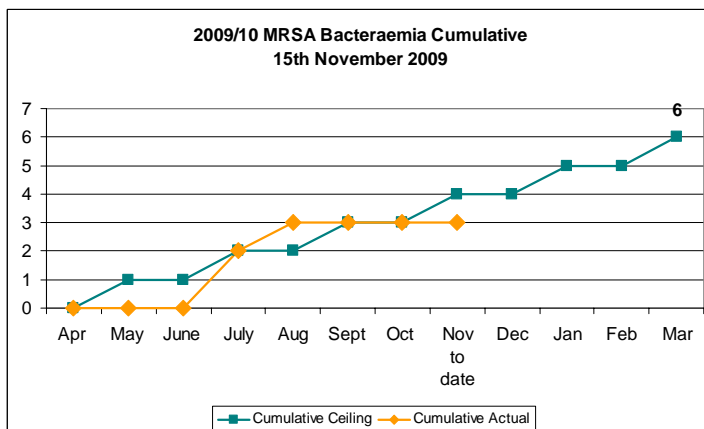
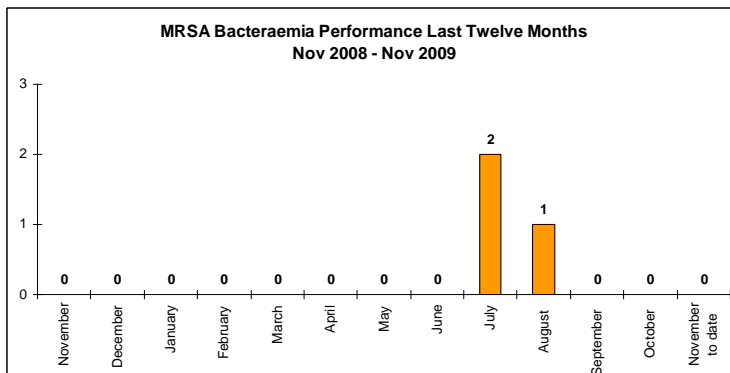
1.1 The purpose of this paper is to inform on the position of the Trust in relation to infection prevention and control during October and November 2009.

## 2. New Developments

2.1 No significant new developments.

## 3. Performance

### 3.1 MRSA Bacteraemia

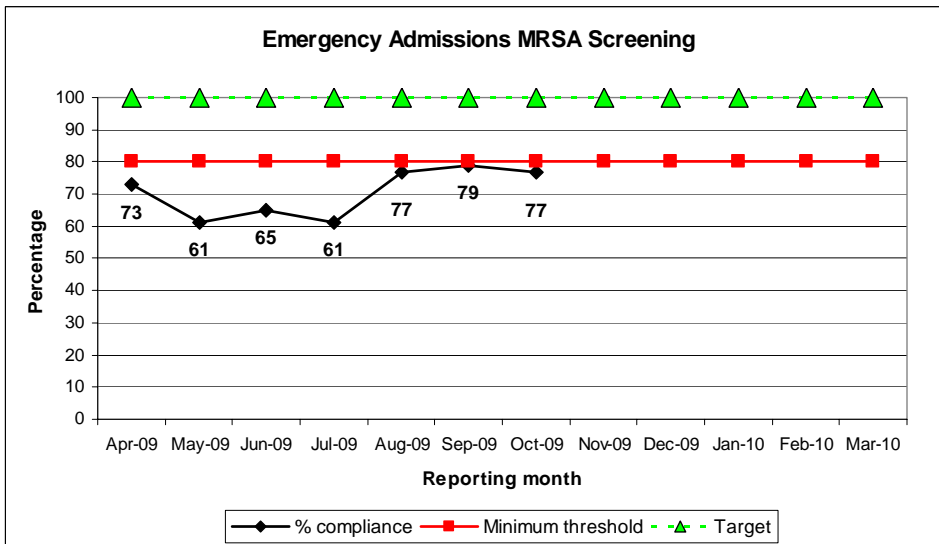
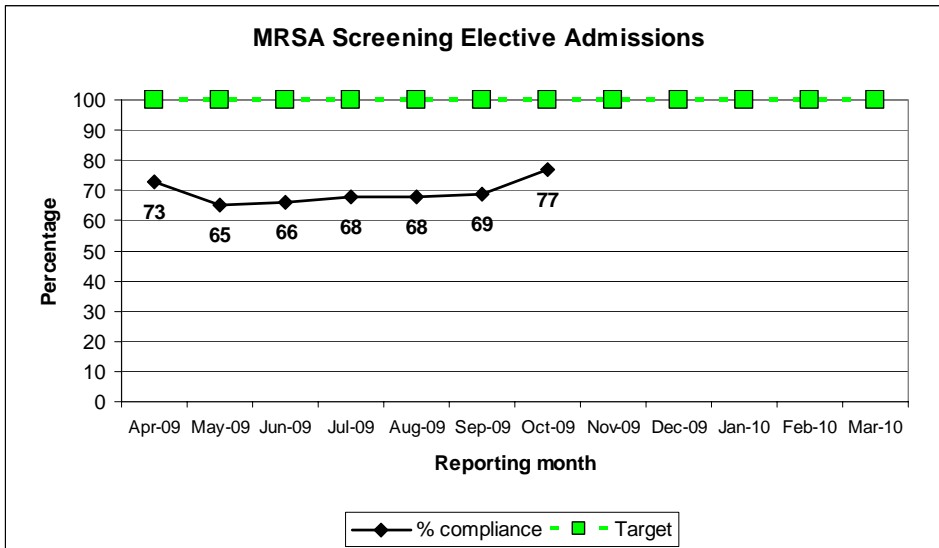


The projected year end total, based on the previous twelve months performance, is three. The ceiling for the year is six.

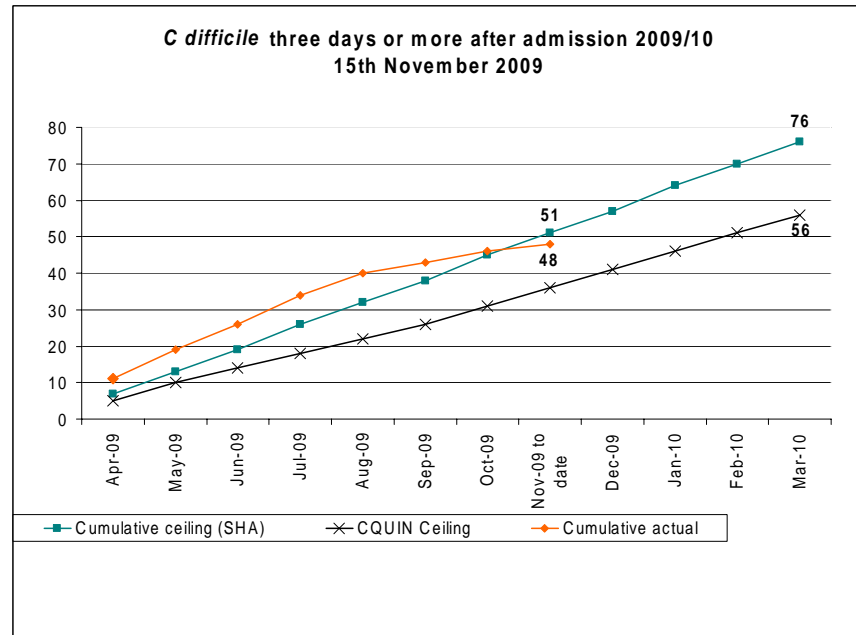
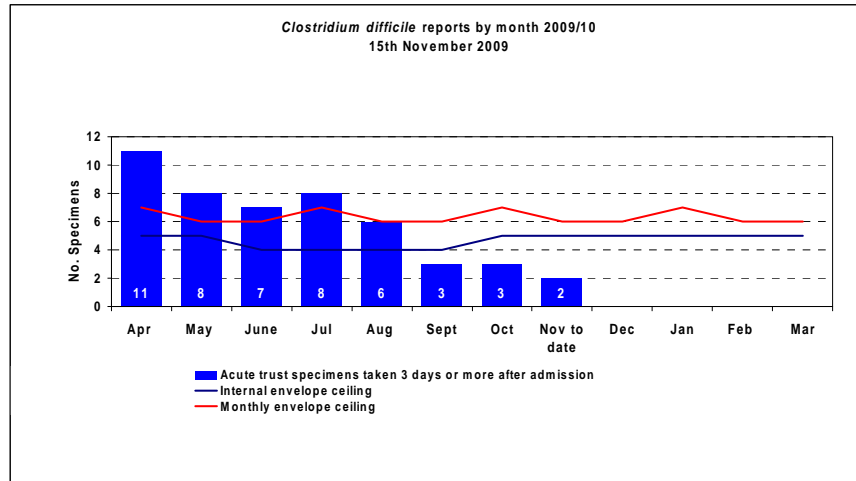
### 3.2 MRSA screening.

MRSA screening continues to be a significant risk to the Trust. A “turnaround team” has been convened, chaired by the DIPC, to urgently address the ongoing issues. Audit work suggests that the priority areas for action are:

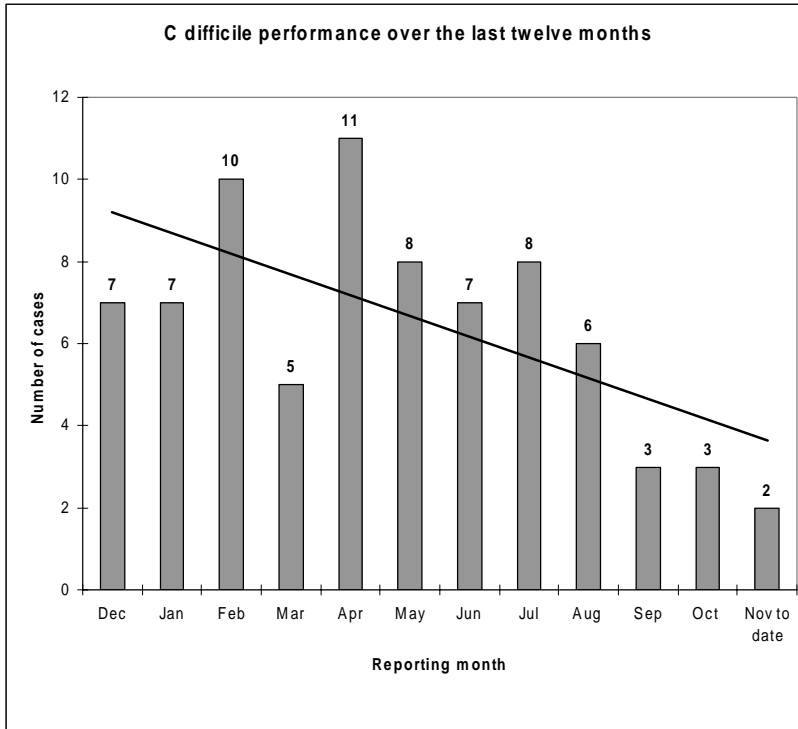
- Cleansing of the data extraction to ensure that the sample is accurate
- Development of robust systems for screening in some specialities i.e. urology, cardiology, ENT and haematology
- Confidence that laboratory results are consistently uploaded to the electronic results system (ICE)



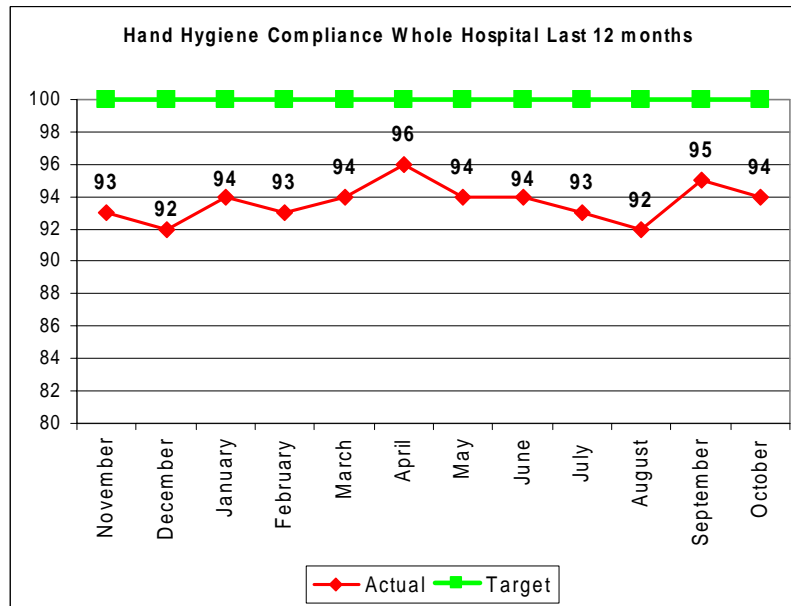
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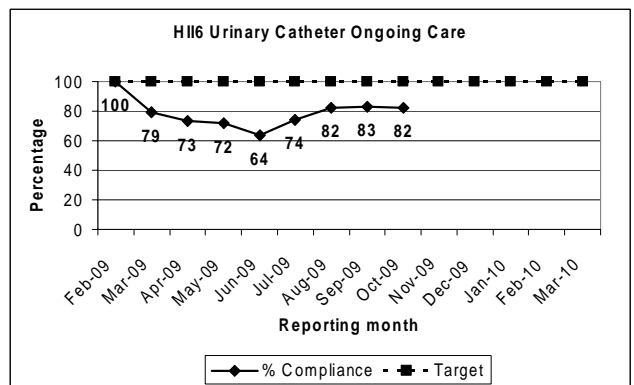
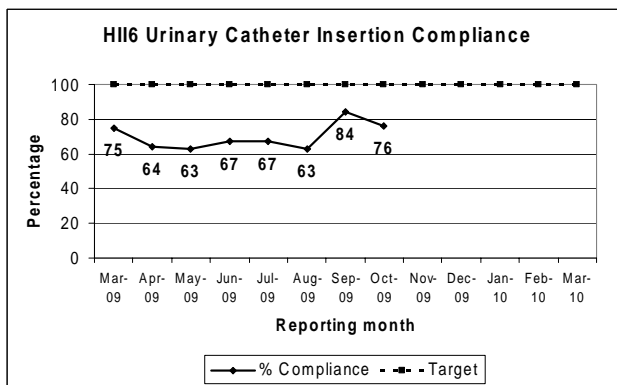
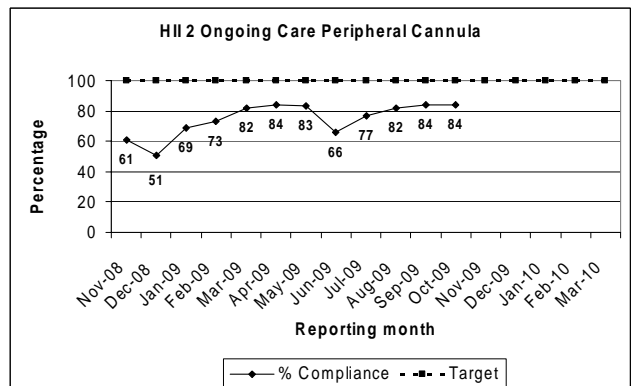
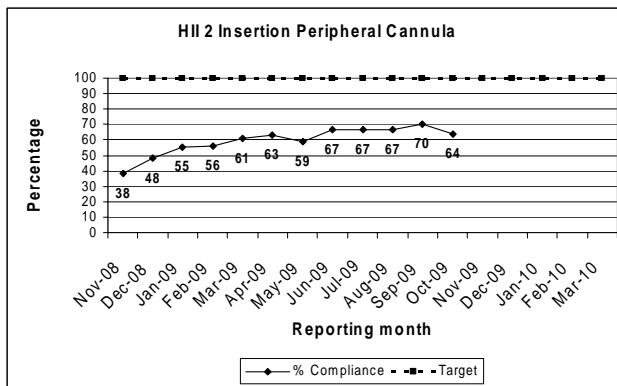
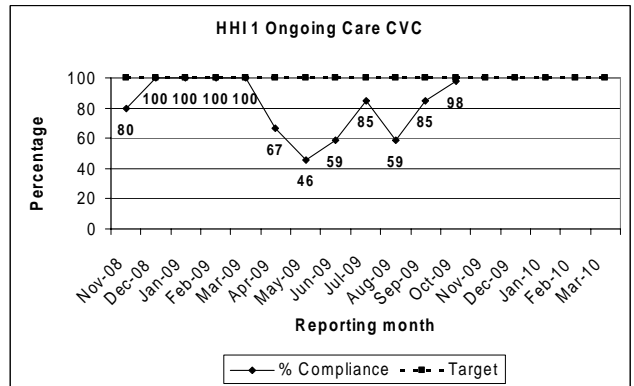
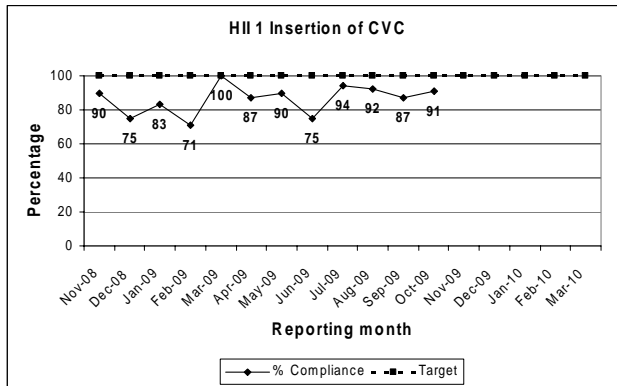
The internal ceiling target reflects 40% reduction on the 2008/9 baseline, which would release the full benefit of the associated CQUIN. The organisation is likely to achieve this target, although performance has improved over the last three months. This improvement must be sustained to ensure that we achieve our reduction target from the SHA, as the current projection, based on the last twelve months (Nov – Oct) performance, is to finish the year on **80** cases.



### 3.4 Hand Hygiene



## 4. High Impact Interventions



## 5. Swine Flu

### 5.1 Swine flu cases in the hospital.

The number of cases of suspected swine flu admitted to the hospital continues to cause some operational pressure in paediatrics and to a lesser extent, in critical care. This is monitored by the Pandemic Flu Board.