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ELECTIVE INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIRS: MAKING THE 'BADS' CUT

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To-Do

- THE BRITISH ASSOCIATION OF DAY SURGERY (BADS) SUGGEST 90% OF ELECTIVE INGUINAL HERNIA REPAIR (IHR) OPERATIONS CAN BE COMPLETED AS A DAY-CASE (1).
- IS DERRIFORD HOSPITAL MEETING THIS TARGET?



HOW IT STARTED:

ONLY 79% OF OUR ELECTIVE IHR ARE COMPLETED AS DAY-CASES!!

THAT CAN'T BE RIGHT...



METHODOLOGY & RESULTS JOURNEY

1ST CYCLE ANALYSED 282 IHR CASES BETWEEN APRIL - SEPT 2022

CODING CONCLUDED 79% ARE DAY-CASES

NOTES OF UNPRECEDENTED OVERNIGHT ADMISSIONS ASSESSED

IN REALITY, 93% OF IHR COMPLETED AS DAY-CASE, MEETING BADS TARGET (2)

INTERVENTION: ADDITIONAL EVENING WARD CLERK SHIFT

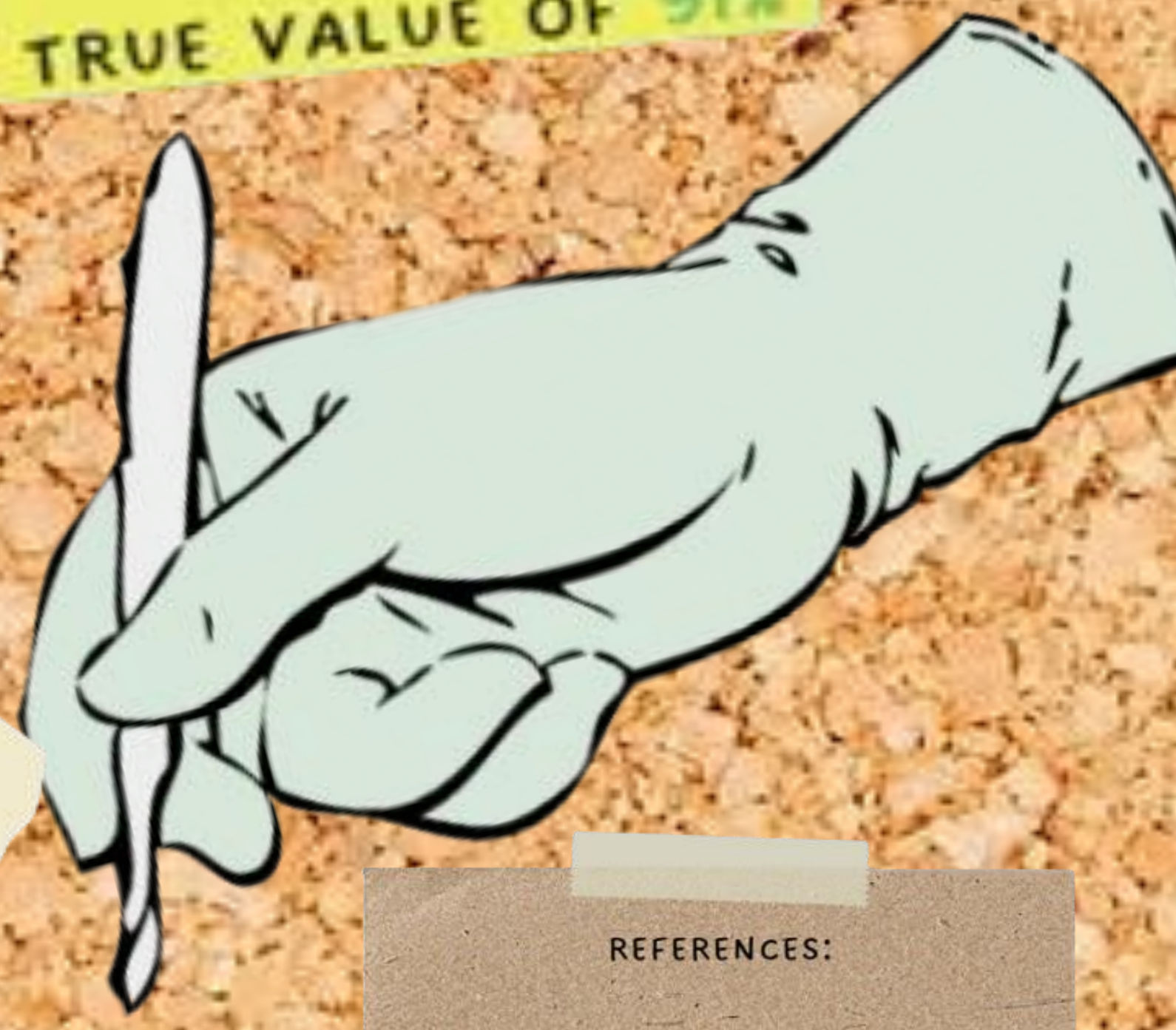
SECOND CYCLE ANALYSED 102 CASES BETWEEN JUNE - AUGUST 2023

CODING BELIEVES 80% OF IHR COMPLETED AS DAY-CASE. UNCLEAR OVERNIGHT ADMISSIONS ANALYSED...

ONCE AGAIN, INACCURATE CODING HAS NOT REPRESENTED THE TRUE VALUE OF 91%

POST-IHR JOURNEY

"NURSING STAFF DON'T DOCUMENT TIME OF DISCHARGE"
- RECOVERY ADMIN LEAD



Patient moved to recovery

Ward clerk processes discharge
If after 8PM, patient left on system until morning

Nurse signs off TTA

Updated on hospital system

CONCLUSIONS

INACCURATE CODING UNDERESTIMATES THE AMOUNT OF ELECTIVE IHR COMPLETED AS DAY-CASES AT OUR TERTIARY CENTRE. ALTHOUGH NOT REFLECTED ON OUR SYSTEMS, DERRIFORD HOSPITAL IS IN FACT MEETING BADS 90% TARGET.

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