

North East Ambulance Service

Adults Wellbeing & Health Scrutiny

# Performance: ambulance response standards progress

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#### **Ambulance Standards**

#### New response performance standards

Call type	Call definition	Average response time (100% of all cases)	90% response time
Category 1	Time-critical life-threatening event	7 minutes	15 minutes
Category 2	Potentially serious conditions	18 minutes	40 minutes
Category 3	Urgent problems not immediately life-threatening		120 minutes
Category 4	Non-urgent; needs telephone or face-to-face assessment		180 minutes



#### **Ambulance Standards**

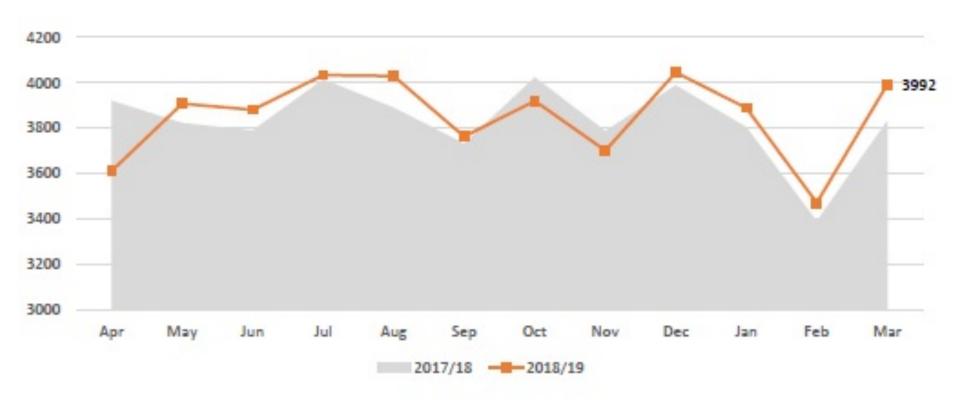
#### New response performance standards (1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019)

Call type	Call definition	Average response time (100% of all cases)	90% response time
Category 1	Time-critical life-threatening event	00:06:10	00:10:36
Category 2	Potentially serious conditions	00:21:33	00:45:18
Category 3	Urgent problems not immediately life-threatening		02:55:50
Category 4	Non-urgent; needs telephone or face-to-face assessment		02:54:23



#### Volume of incidents attended

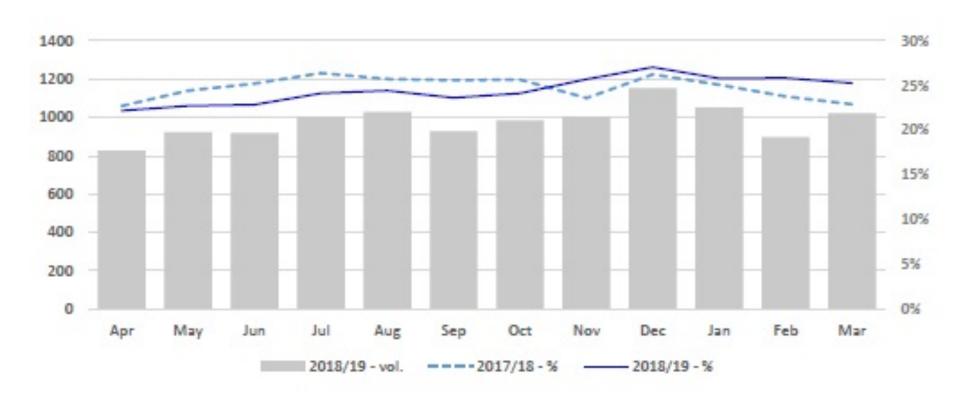
#### Northumberland CCG area





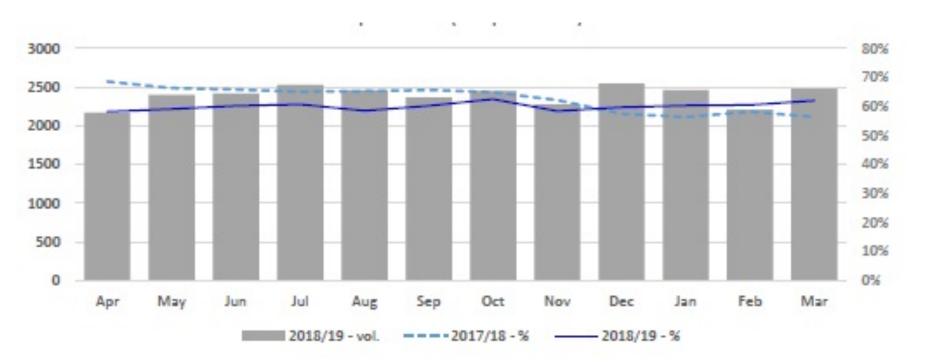
# Patients treated face-to-face and discharged at scene (see and treat)

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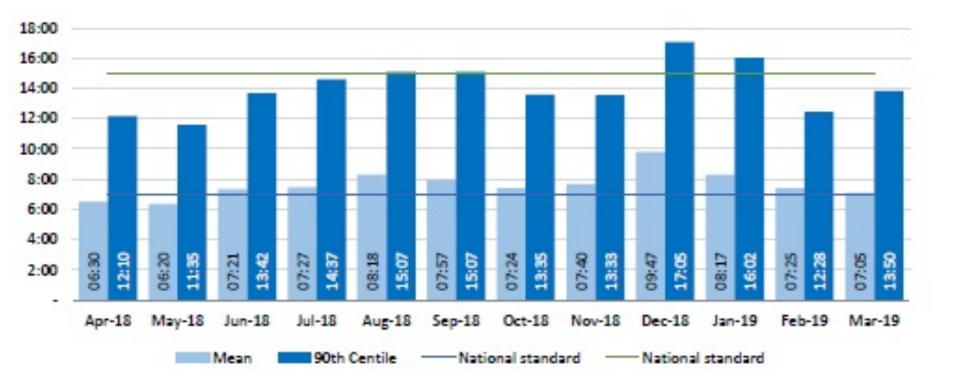


# Patients conveyed to emergency department Northumberland CCG area

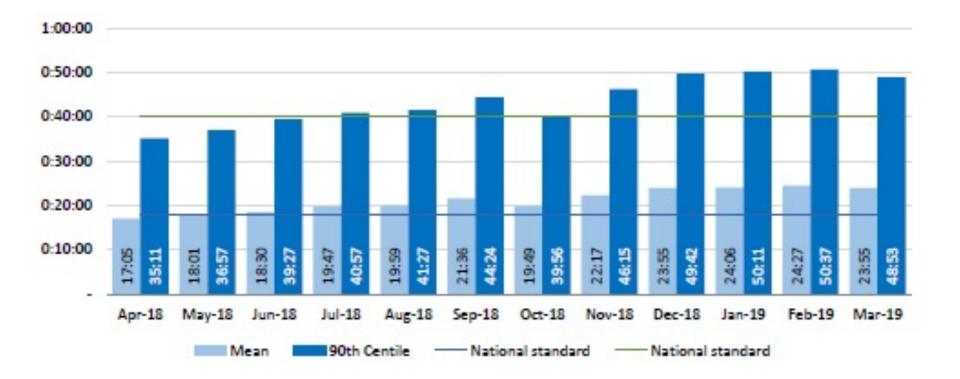




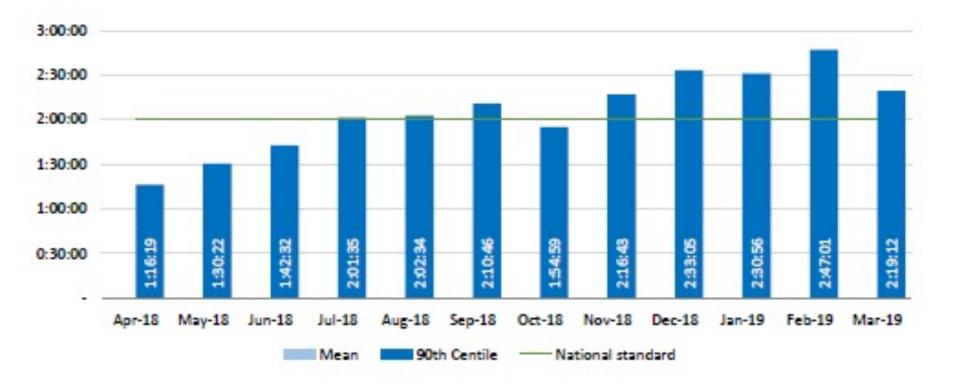
# Category 1 response times Northumberland CCG area



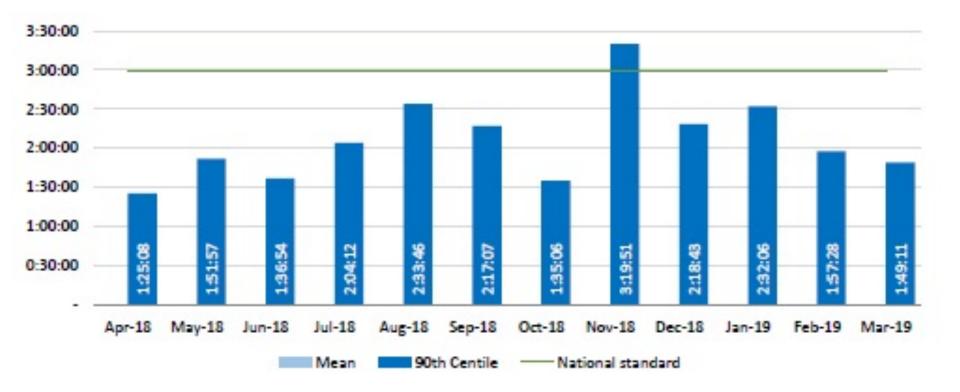
# Category 2 response times Northumberland CCG area



# Category 3 response times Northumberland CCG area



# Category 4 response times Northumberland CCG area



# **Capacity and Demand Review**

Achieving the new ambulance standards

The aim of the review was to determine the underlying capacity required to deliver ambulance response time performance across the North East Ambulance operational area, designed to meet the new national ambulance targets

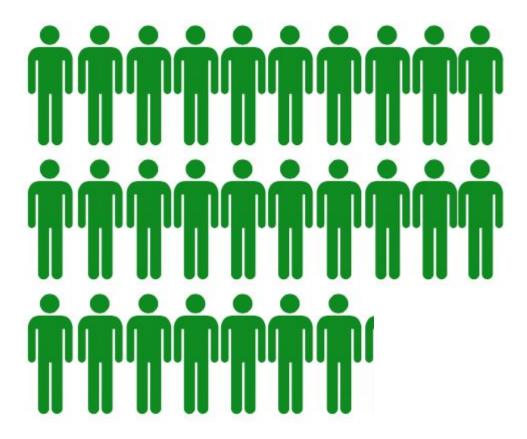


#### Scope of the review

- Demand predictions to 2021
- Model performance to 2021 with current resourcing
- Identify potential efficiencies
- Model performance impact of each potential efficiency
- Model resource needs to bridge any performance shortfall

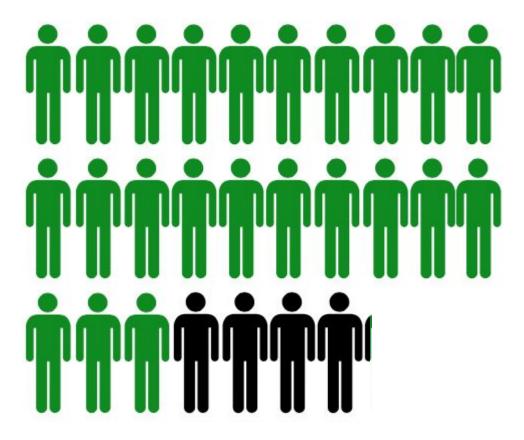


## **Bridging the Gap** Based on 2017-18 resources



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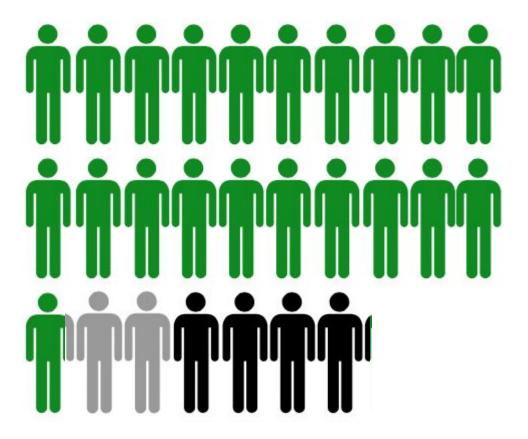




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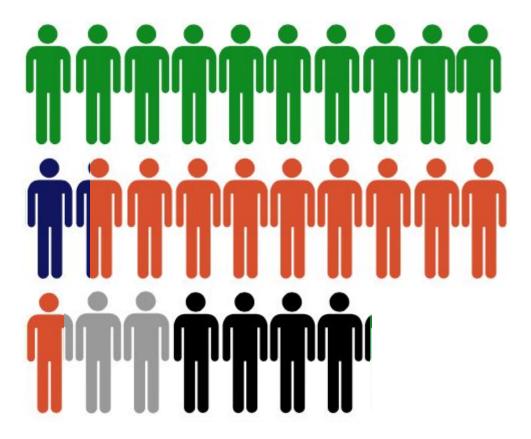
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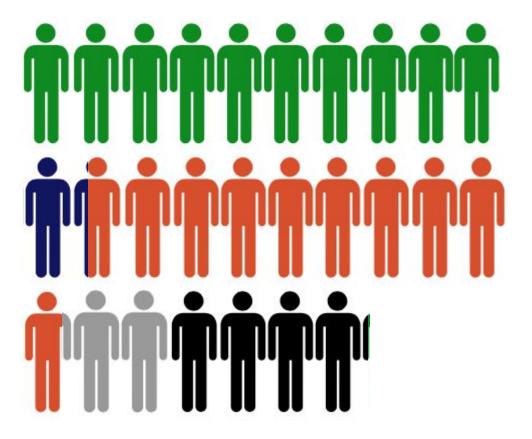
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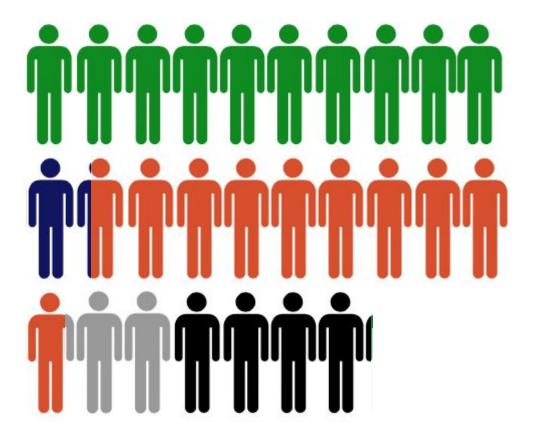
**13 to be delivered through 8 hour shift re-roster** (13 in year 1)





This reduces the gap in paramedic establishment to 100





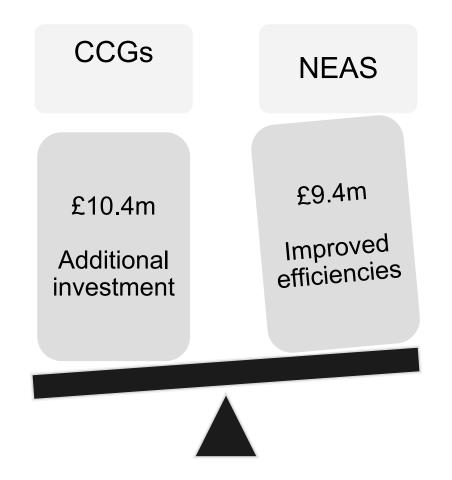
Our contribution through delivering these efficiencies will save almost £9.4 million:

- £1.7m from reducing turnaround
- £6.9m from reducing abstractions
- £0.8m from 8-hour shift



#### **Balance of responsibilities and accountability**

#### Funding the changes to achieve the new standards





#### **Ambulance future resourcing**

	CURRENT VEHICLES		FUTURE VEHICLES		CHANGE IN VEHICLE NUMBERS				
	Rapid Response	Two-cre w vehicles	Inter tier	Rapid Response	Two-cre w vehicles	Inter tier	Rapid Response	Two-cre w vehicles	Inter tier
VEHICLE TOTALS	38	74	27	18	112	18	-20	+38	-9
	CURRENT STAFFING		FUTURE STAFFING		CHANGE IN STAFFING				
	Para	CCA	ECT	Para	ССА	ECT	Para	ССА	ECT
OVERALL STAFFING	540	450	70	646	544	47	+107	+94	-23

#### **Ambulance resources across North of Tyne**

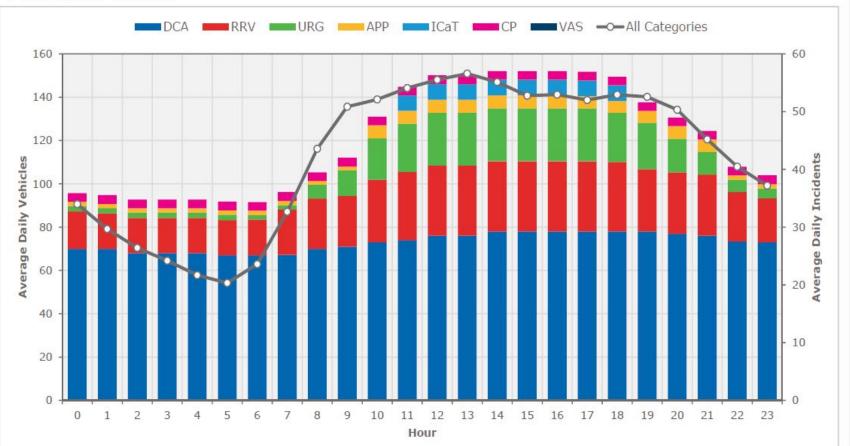
**DCA**= double-crew ambulance; **RRV** =rapid response car; **ITV**= intermediate tier vehicle

Local authority area	Future resources	Net changes
Northumberland	20 x DCA, 4 x RRV, 3 x ITV	+ 6 DCA -2 RRV (24 to 12 hours) -2 ITV (24 to 12 hours)
North Tyneside	7 x DCA, 2 x RRV, 1 x ITV	+3 DCA -1 ITV
Newcastle	9 x DCA, 1 x RRV, 2 x ITV	+4 DCA -1 DCA (0200h - 0600h) -3 RRV

#### **Current shifts with existing resources**

**DCA**= double-crew ambulance; **RRV**= rapid response car; **URG**= urgent care; **APP**= advanced practitioner; **ICaT**= intermediate tier vehicle; **CP**= community paramedic; **VAS**= voluntary ambulance service

#### **Planned Shifts**



# **Community Public Access Defibrillators** Mending Broken Hearts campaign



DH8 9 - Blanchland, Allensford NE67 5 - Ellingham to Beadnell NE44 6 - Riding Mill/Broomhaugh NE26 4 - Seaton Sluice/Old Hartley NE24 1 - Blyth



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