

# Analgesia in the older person: Improving prescribing practices in patients following a fall – a QIP

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## Aim

Our aim was to assess analgesia prescribing practices for patients following a fall with a view to improving experience.

## Method

We looked specifically at

- Were people prescribed analgesia by the ED practitioner reviewing them?
- Did the number of people prescribed analgesia improve following medical clerking and post-take review

## Results

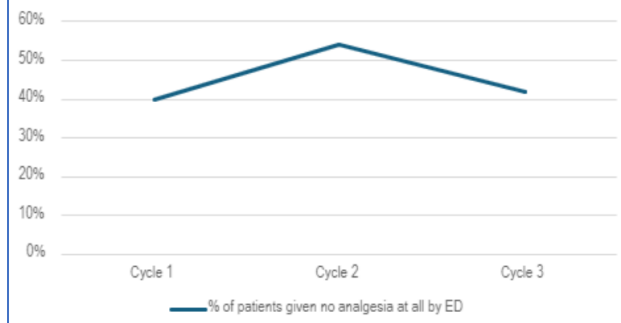
3 rounds of data collection and 68 patients in total.

40% patients not prescribed any analgesia by ED

70% had analgesia following clerking and post-take

Data presentation and education was the primary intervention between data cycles

% of patients given no analgesia at all by ED



## Discussion

The project ran over the course of >12 months, with regular changes in trainees and limited opportunity for regular education/training. Despite this we showed an overall improvement in the number of patients prescribed no analgesia at all by the time of post-take, but no improvement following initial review

% of patients making it through PTWR without analgesia

