

# Current care provision – a UK survey

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# Acute hospital care for frail older people

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- How is CGA defined and recognised?
- How, and in what form is CGA currently organised and delivered in the UK?
- Who receives CGA, and can we identify who benefits most?
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# How is CGA defined and recognised?

## How best to deliver comprehensive geriatric assessment: an umbrella review

P McCue, A McLeod, S Conroy, H Roberts, S Kennedy, S G Parker

We reviewed 1010 titles, 419 abstracts, 143 full articles and selected 13 reviews for data extraction.. The most widely used definition of CGA was:

***“a multidimensional, multidisciplinary process which identifies medical, social and functional needs, and the development of an integrated / co-ordinated care plan to meet those needs.”***

*Age Ageing. 2018 Jan 1;47(1):149-155.*

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DESCRIPTION	Older person	2
	Frail older person	3
	Frail elderly person	1
AGE SPECIFIED	55+	1
	60+	3
	65+	6
	70+	1
	75+	1
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<b>Types of Participants</b> The main beneficiaries of CGA were older (55+ years) hospital inpatients in acute care settings. In most studies frailty was not explicitly identified as a characteristic of CGA recipients		
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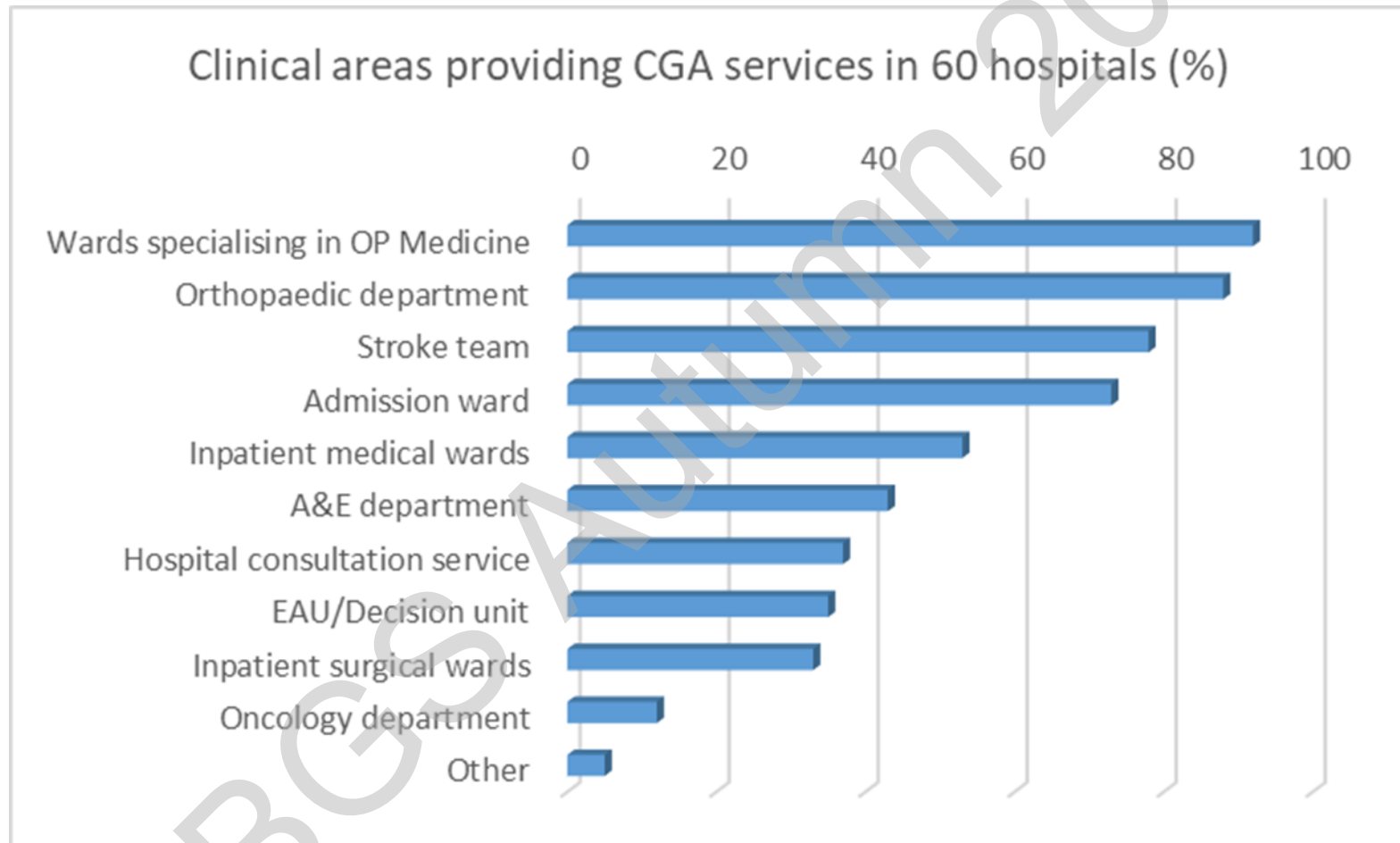
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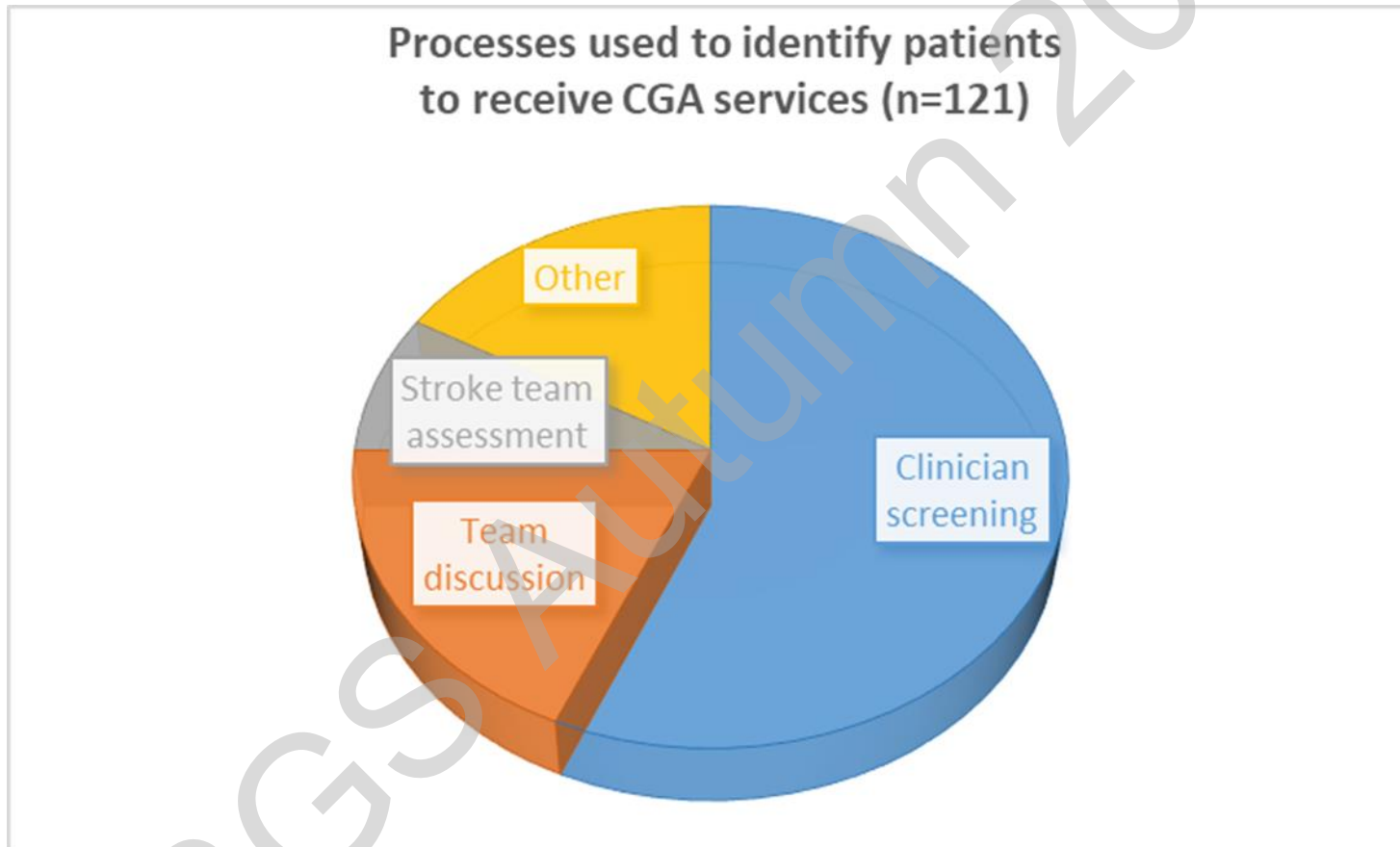
National survey of CGA services: Response rates	
<b>Total</b>	<b>175</b>
Agreed to participate	99 (56%)
Hospital return	60 (34%)
Service return	36 (21%)
Number of services	121

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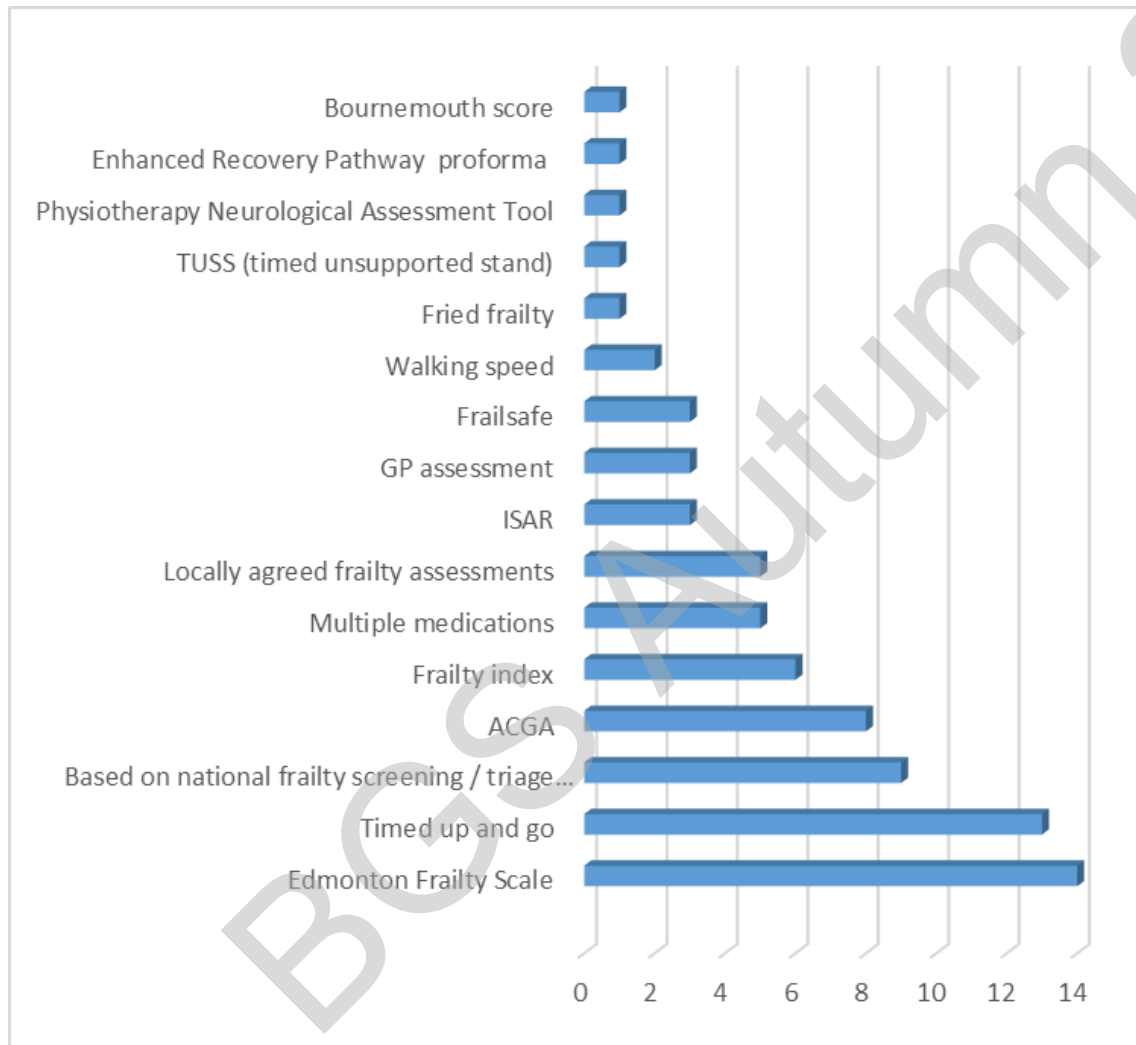


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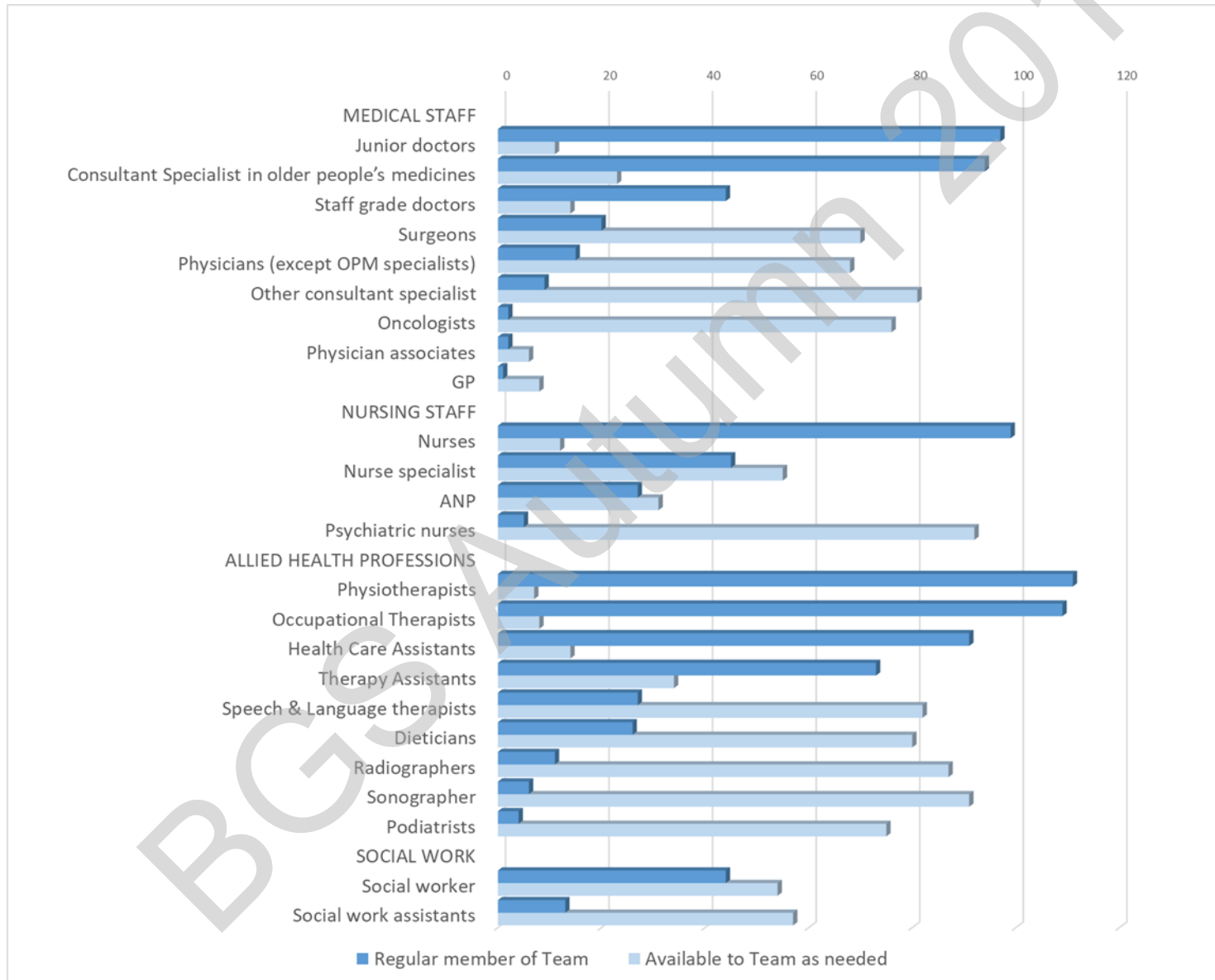
# Tools used to identify frailty



**No services reported using:**

*Self-reported health,  
Easy Care,  
Geriatric 8,  
Groningen,  
Prism 7,  
SPPB,  
VES13*

# Staff delivering CGA



# HoW-CGA – definitions and current practice

## Observations from literature and survey:

- **Definitions** secure – widely accepted
- **Target beneficiaries** – older people ?role of frailty in targeting
- **Patient selection** - clinical judgement preferred
- **Use of frailty tools and scales** - no consistency at present
- **Hospital wide delivery** - patchy

## Opportunities identified:

- *assisting/ enhancing frailty assessment*
- *targeting CGA*
- *CGA delivery - “Hospital Wide” in UK .*

