

FRATTURE DA FRAGILITA': DIAGNOSI, TERAPIA E CONTINUITA' ASSISTENZIALE

Il ruolo del Fracture Liaison Service



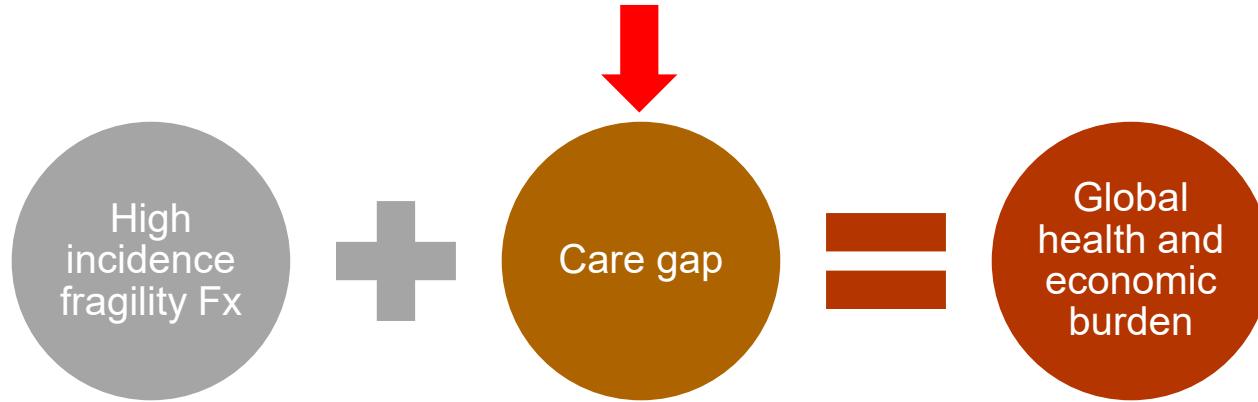
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Outline

- FLS to close the care gap in secondary prevention of fragility fractures
 - main features and scope
- Tips to setting up and FLS
 - what does it takes? methodology and resources

Why Fracture Liaison Service?

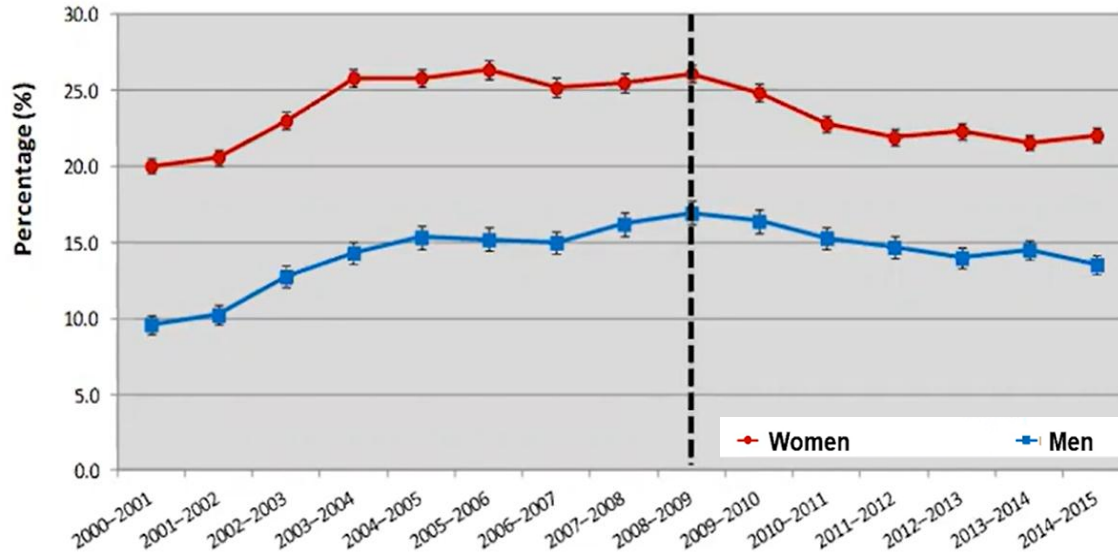


FLS is a clinically and cost-effective
model of care

for secondary prevention

if we do it right!

Percentage of individuals who received OP medication 1 year following major fracture in Canada, 2000- 2015



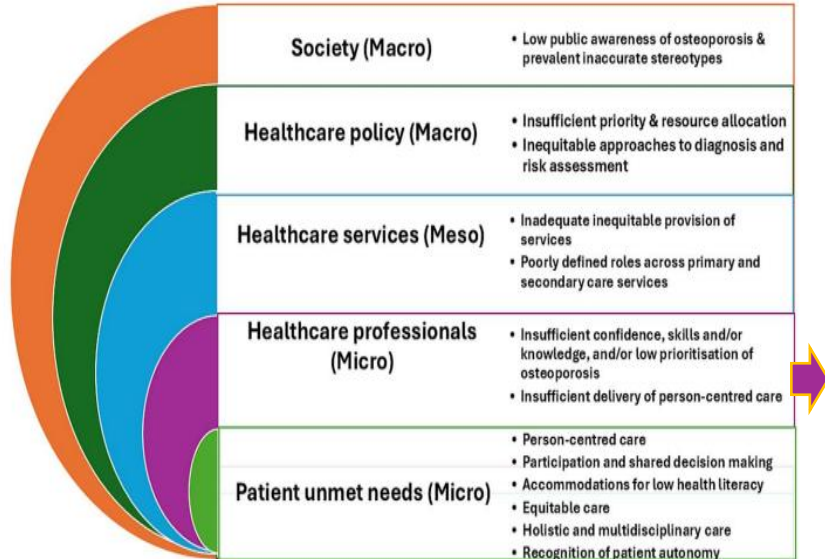
Up to 26.1% in Women and 16.9% in Men
Increase up to 2008-2009 (p for trend <0001)
Followed by decline to 2014- 2015 (p for trend <.0001)

Care Gap
73.9% in women
83.1% in men

Failure of the **non-target interventions** that try to change patients outcomes without connecting with the patients (i.e. education, protocols, guidelines, etc).

Time to reframe osteoporosis: a position statement to characterize the osteoporosis care gap

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Components of osteoporosis healthcare

Case finding

- Primary and secondary fracture prevention identification of adult patients based on risk of fracture and osteoporosis and not access to healthcare
- Identification of those with low or no trauma osteoporotic fractures, particularly spinal and other major osteoporotic fractures

Osteoporosis and fracture risk assessment

- Appropriate timely risk assessment based on comprehensive approach to identify diseases and drugs affecting bone health and investigations including bone density scans where needed and available
- Impact of fracture(s)
- Information needs

Treatment options and information

- Fracture risk reduction strategies, including:
 - Pharmacological treatments personalized to patient's fracture risk
 - Lifestyle changes including diet and exercise which promote bone health and reduce falls risk
 - Reducing falls risk
 - Identification and treatment of secondary causes of osteoporosis
- Management of patient needs relating to fracture symptoms and recovery, including:
 - Quality of life
 - Pain, physical, and psychological function
 - Ability to undertake self-care and activities of daily living
 - Emotional and spiritual needs
 - Social participation, education, and employment
- Tailored patient education and information, which is accessible, understandable, useable and
 - Clearly trustworthy and evidence based
 - Addresses individual information needs, expectations, and goals
 - Clearly explains osteoporosis and its treatments
 - Advices on fracture symptom management
 - Explains what to expect from healthcare services
 - Supports self-management
 - Supports shared and informed decision-making
 - Supports patients to ask questions

Review

- Medicines optimization[†]
- Non-pharmacological treatment review (eg. exercise, nutrition)
- Monitoring of the condition, including re-review of falls and fracture risk
- Review and address fracture impacts, as outlined above
- Elicit and address information needs for individuals, their family and caregivers
- Onward referral as needed (specialist, occupational therapy, physiotherapy, falls)

Figure 1 Osteoporosis care gap problem description.

How does Fracture Liaison Service work?

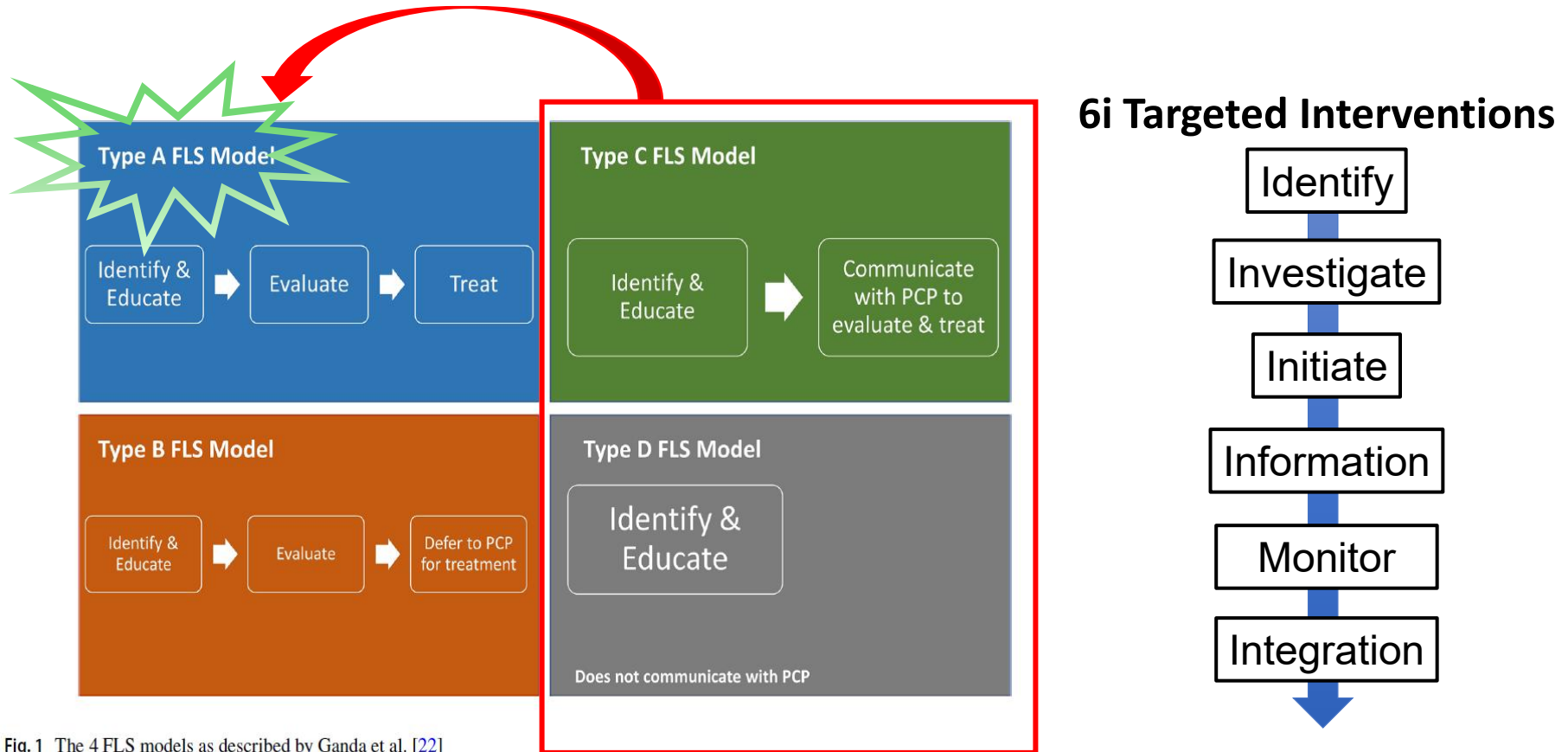
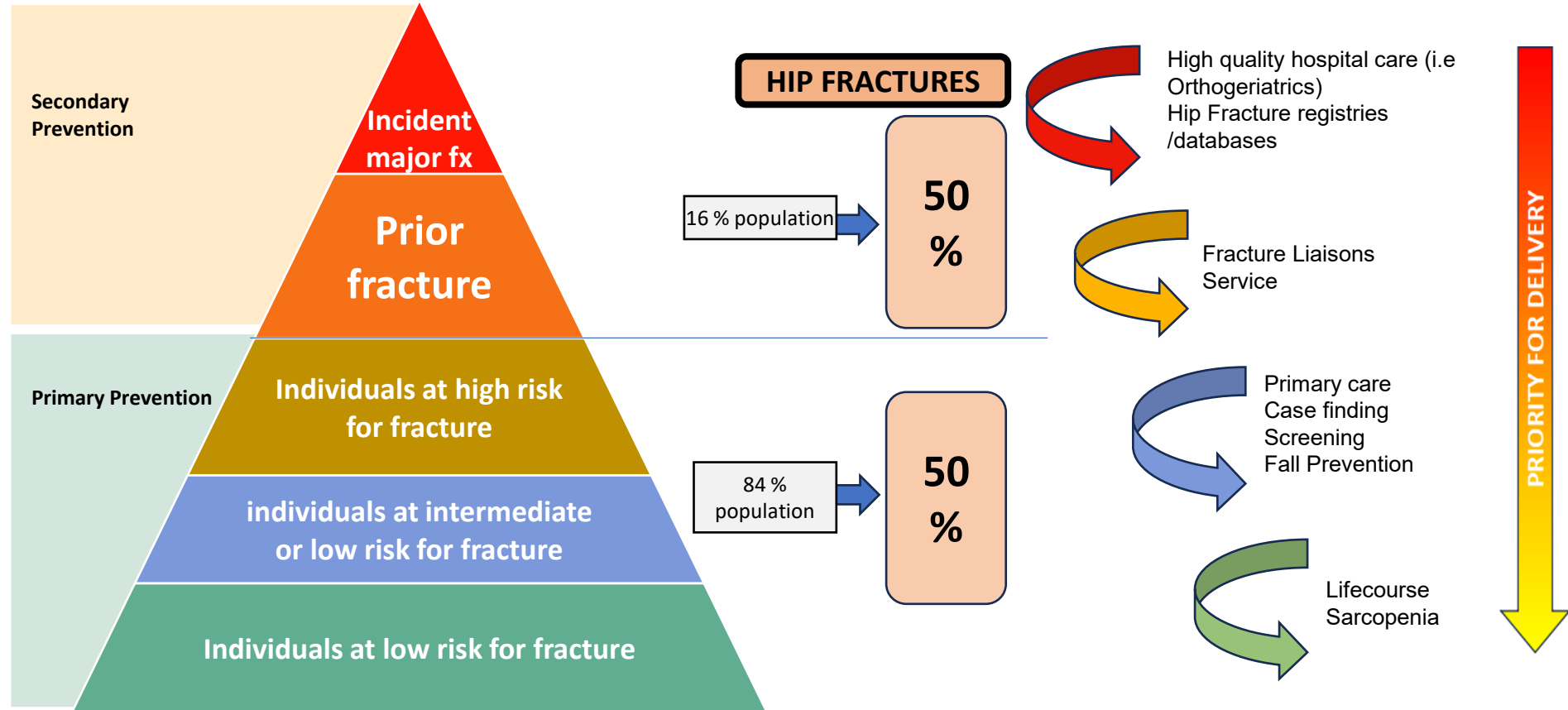
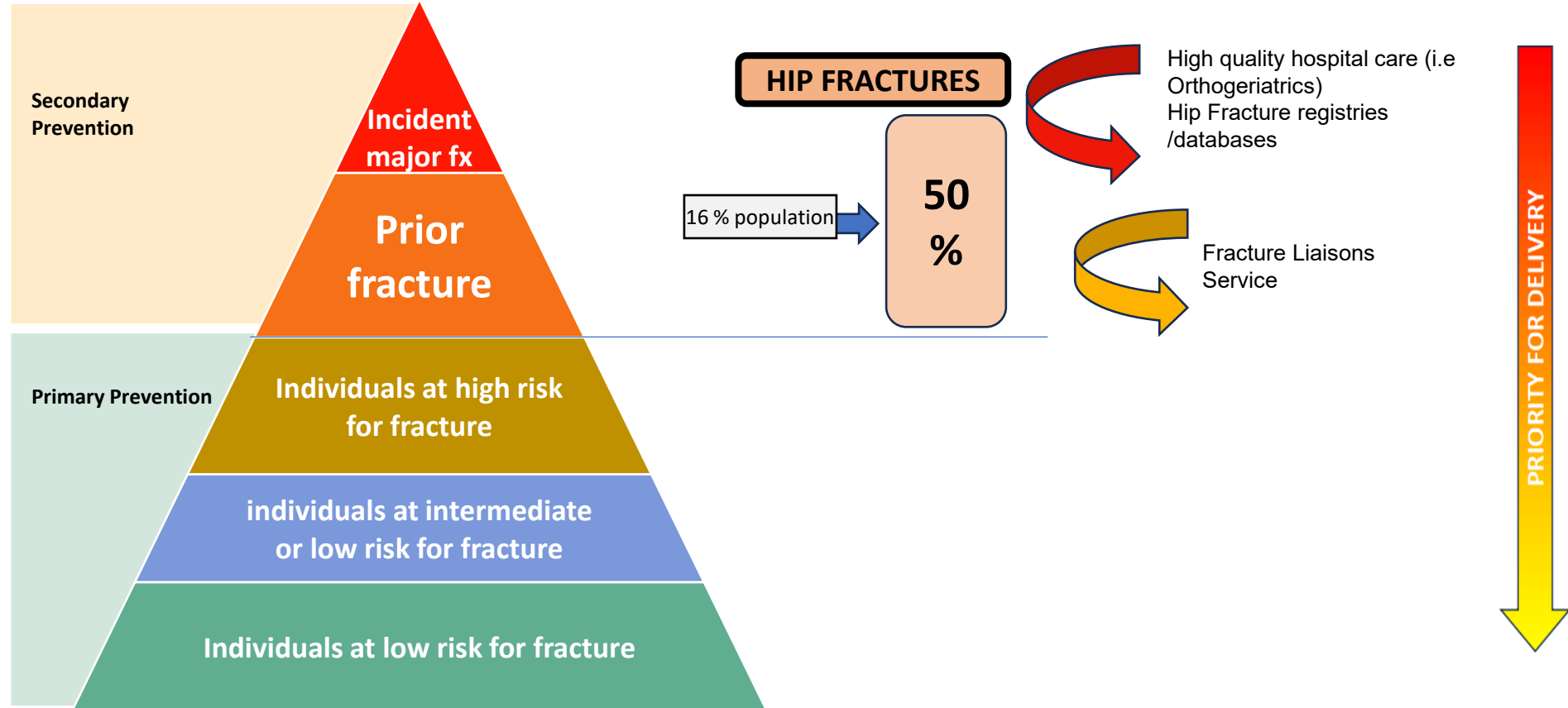


Fig. 1 The 4 FLS models as described by Ganda et al. [22]

FLS starts where the patient is

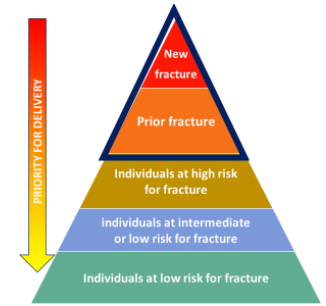
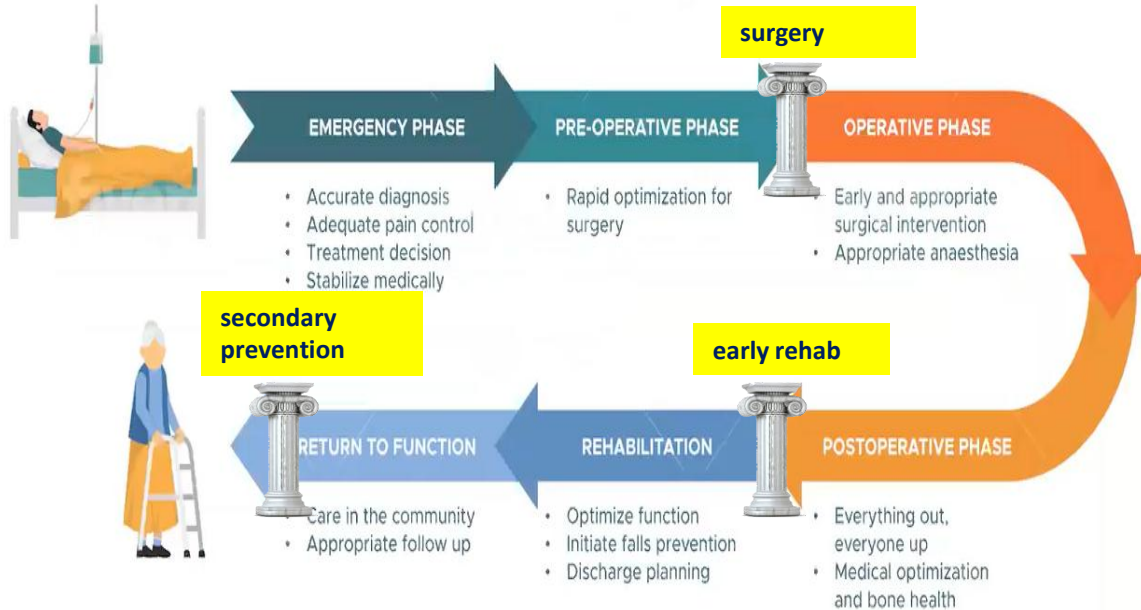


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How facing the problem?

orthogeriatrics is patient-centered care model



Orthogeriatric care manages the fracture and treats the whole person using **pathways maximizing the quality of care** whatever resources are available.

Support measurement of care: process and outcome indicators recommended for in hospital care, discharge to the community and fracture liaison services

The Fracture Phenotypes in Women and Men of 50 Years and Older with a Recent Clinical Fracture

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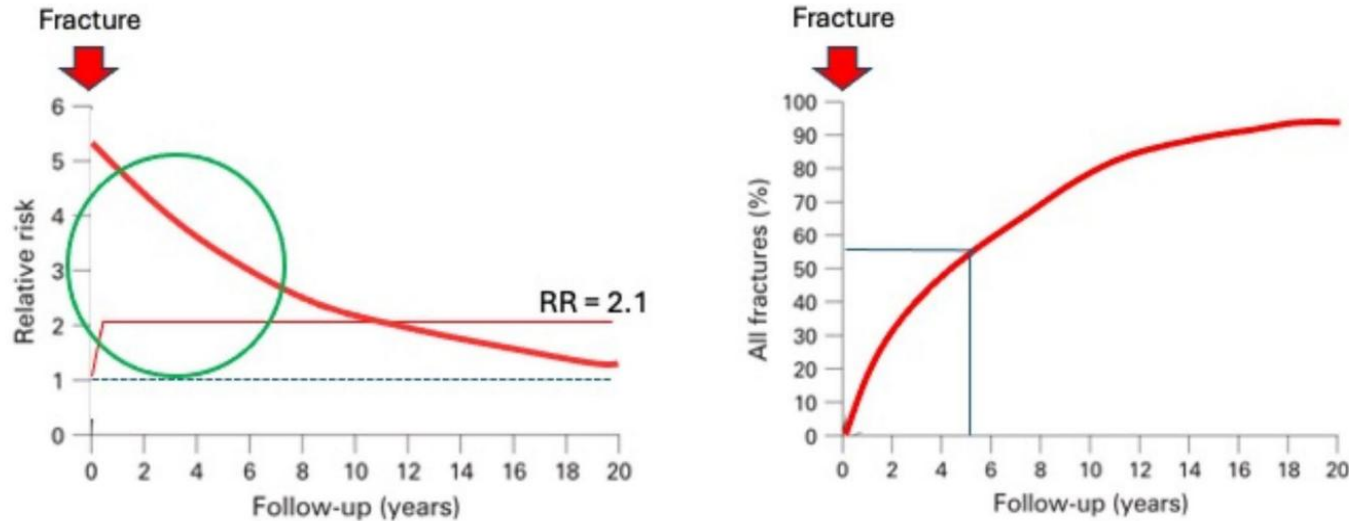


Fig. 1 Left panel: the relative risk (RR) of subsequent clinical fractures is doubled over the long term (fine red line). It is highest in the first years after a clinical fracture (bold red line circled in green) and decreases over time but remains increased at long term. Right panel:

cumulative incidence of subsequent clinical fractures as percentage of all subsequent clinical fractures for 20 years follow-up. More than 50% of all subsequent clinical fractures occurred during the first five years. (adapted from van Geel *et al.*) [19].

Call to action: a five nations consensus on the use of intravenous zoledronate after hip fracture

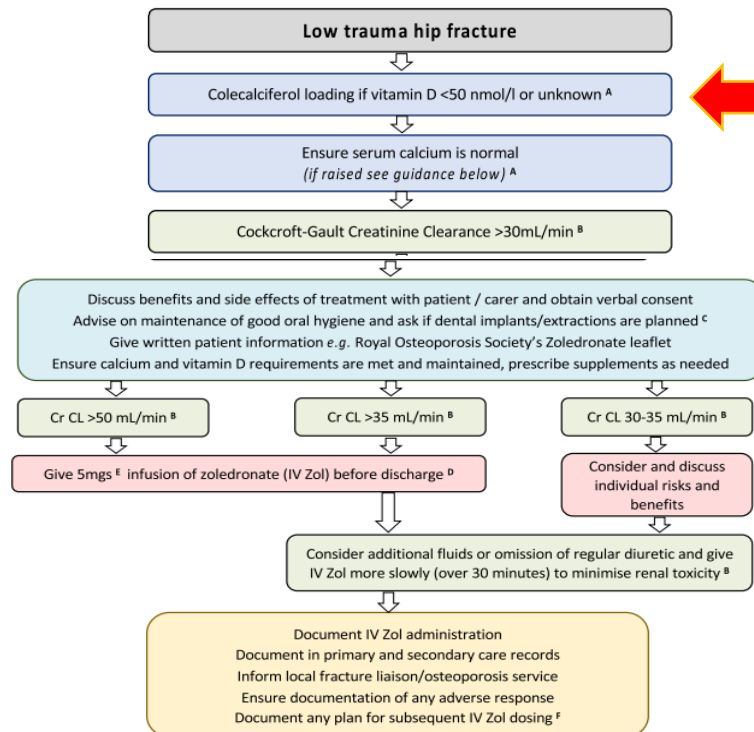
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1. Secondary Prevention starts hospital admission



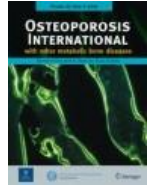
A single dose
shown to be
Hence, a low
in 'split' doses

- AOPg protocol
- a) Colecalciferol
- 300.000
 - b) Colecalciferol
- 300.0



Post-fracture care programs for prevention of subsequent fragility fractures: a literature assessment of current trends

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Orthogeriatric Service

Primary goal: improve overall patient's outcomes (morbidity/mortality/ physical function)

Fracture Liaison Service

Primary goal: **prevent subsequent fragility fractures**

Combination



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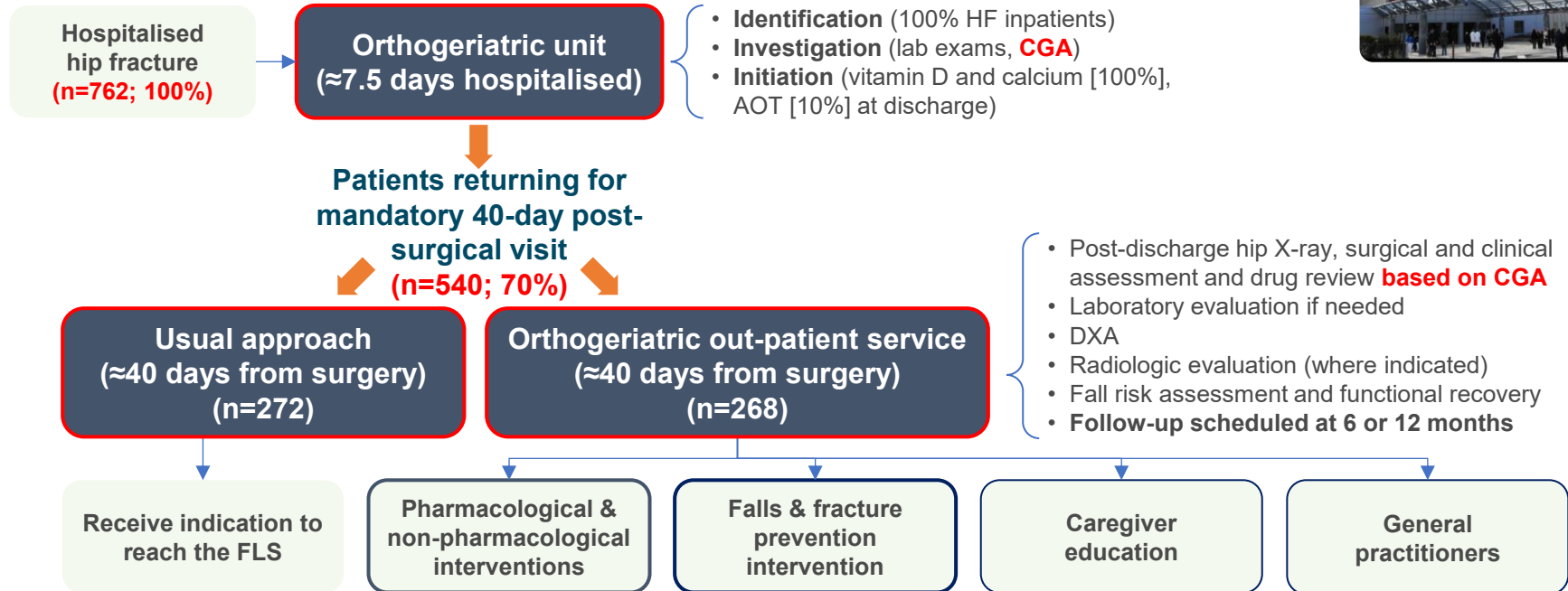


Improvement in osteoporosis detection in a fracture liaison service with integration of a geriatric hip fracture care program

Implementation of a fracture liaison service for patients with hip fracture cared for on a hospital medicine service

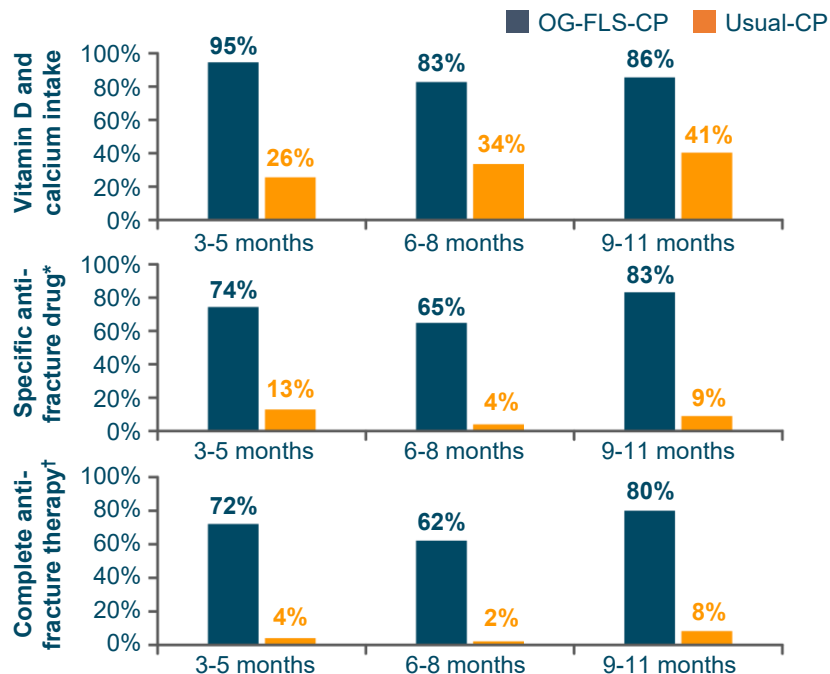
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Orthogeriatric pathway: focus on patient' needs



Orthogeriatric pathway: approaching threshold for value

Patient adherence to treatment¹



The OG-FLS Care Programme works!

- 72% initiated complete anti-fracture treatment within 3 months¹
- 80% were adherent to complete anti-fracture treatment at 9 months¹

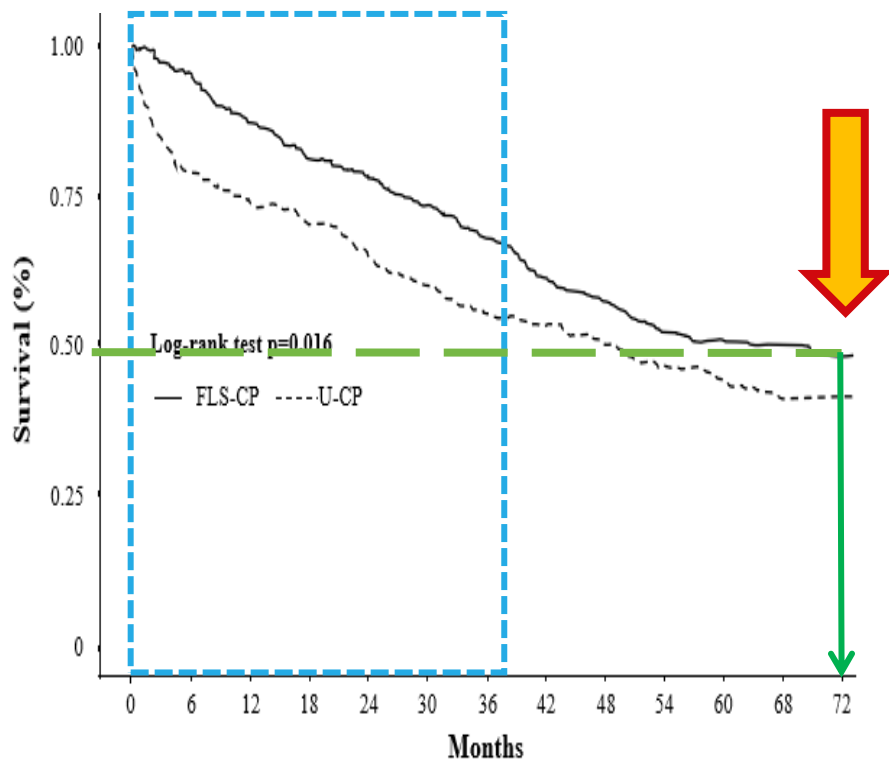
Treated: 48%² → **80%¹**
Eligible: n=248

Main limitations: this was not a systematic approach for all eligible patients since we did not have evidence, at that time, to set up the OG-OS in the real clinical world. It was a sort of **pragmatic randomised approach based on patients' and caregivers' preference!**



The interdisciplinary Fracture Liaison Service improves health-related outcomes and survival of older adults after hip fracture surgical repair

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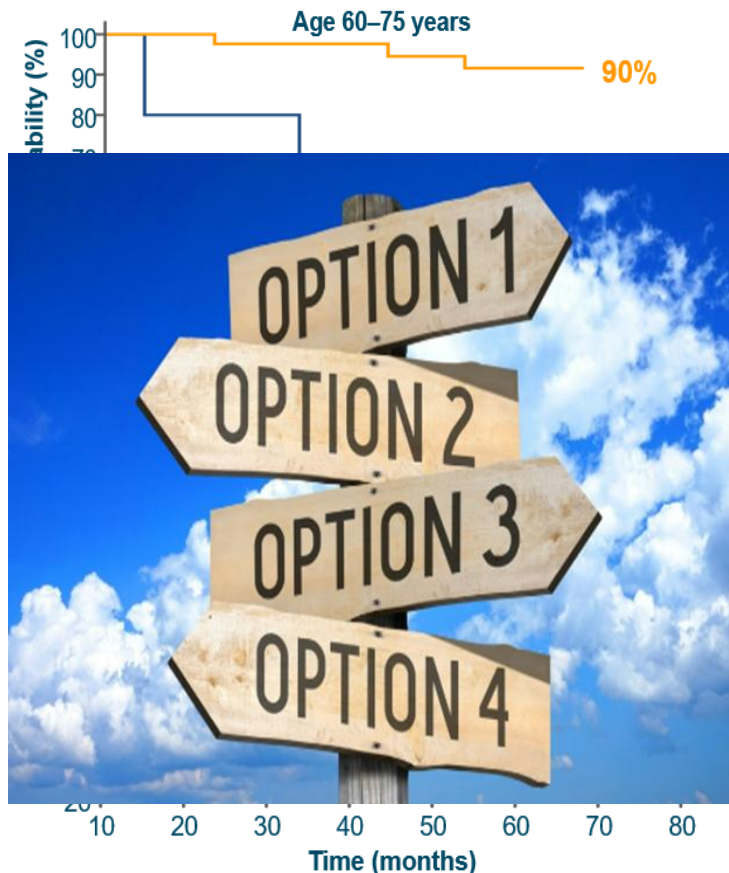
	FLS-CP	U-CP	FLS vs U-CP (95% CI)	p-value
Falls (number)	31.1 (20.8; 44.6)	24.4 (16.7; 34.5)	RR = 1.021 (0.607; 1.717)	0.9366
- Multiple fallers (% patients)	19% (6.3; 42.6)	34.8% (17.2; 57.2)	OR=0.057 (0.004; 0.876)	0.0399
Fractures	5.4 (1.7; 12.5)	6.9 (3.1; 13.0)	RR = 0.783 (0.261; 2.353)	0.6640
Health facility admissions*	40.7 (28.8; 55.9)	58.0 (45.7; 72.6)	RR = 0.597 (0.398; 0.895)	0.0125
HFS (days)	176.4 (89; 263)	88.7 (49.2; 128.2)	Δ = 85.8 (23.9; 147.7)	0.0152

Orthogeriatric: predict and personalize care

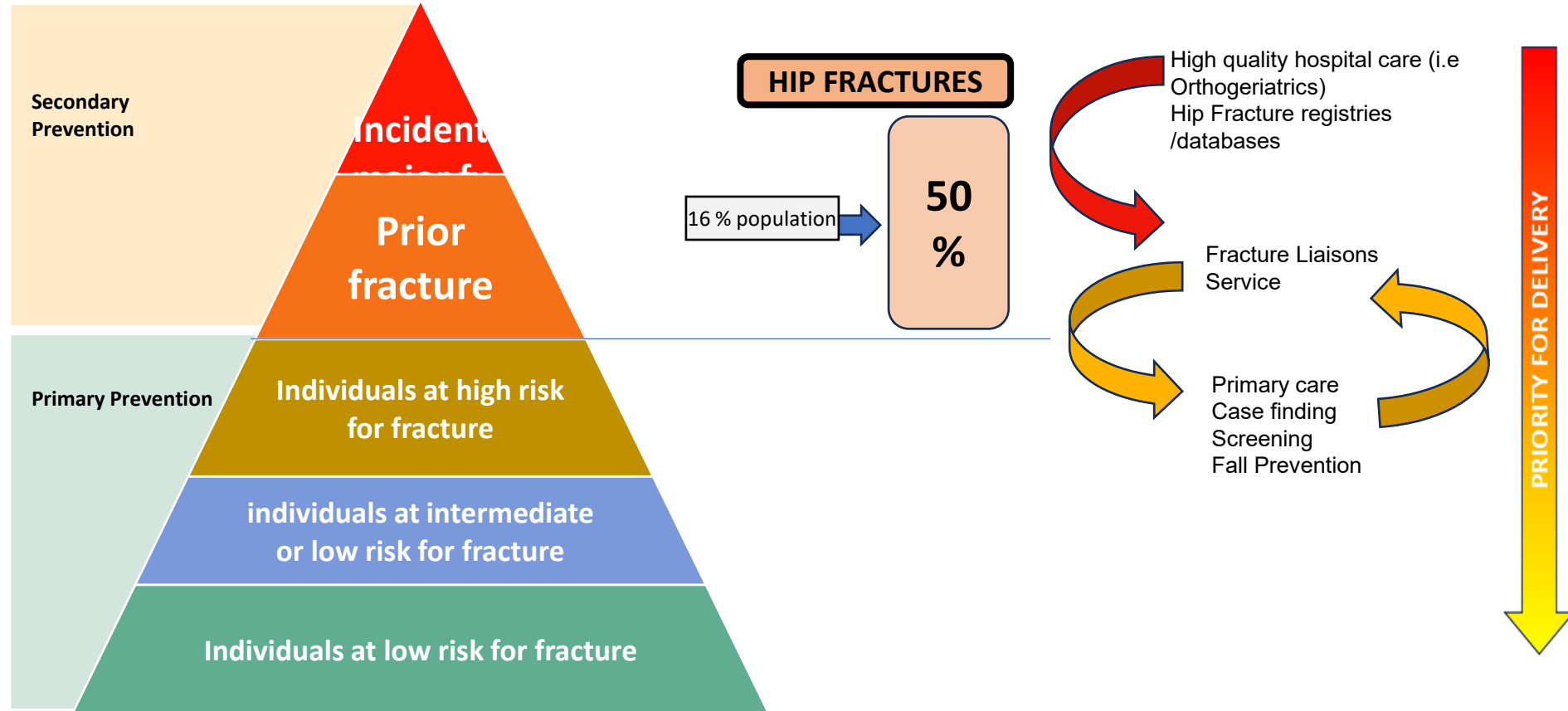
Pre-fracture functional status and early recovery are main predictors of 5-year survival in pts with hip fractures

Model 1 (at admission)

	B (SE)	P-value	HR (95% CI)
Gender			
Female (reference)			0
Male	0.610 (0.222)	0.006	1.840 (1.192–2.841)
Age	0.068 (0.016)	<0.0001	1.070 (1.037–1.105)
Pre-fracture BADL independence	–0.298 (0.054)	<0.0001	0.742 (0.668–0.825)
Chronic diseases, number	0.092 (0.043)	0.033	1.096 (1.007–1.193)

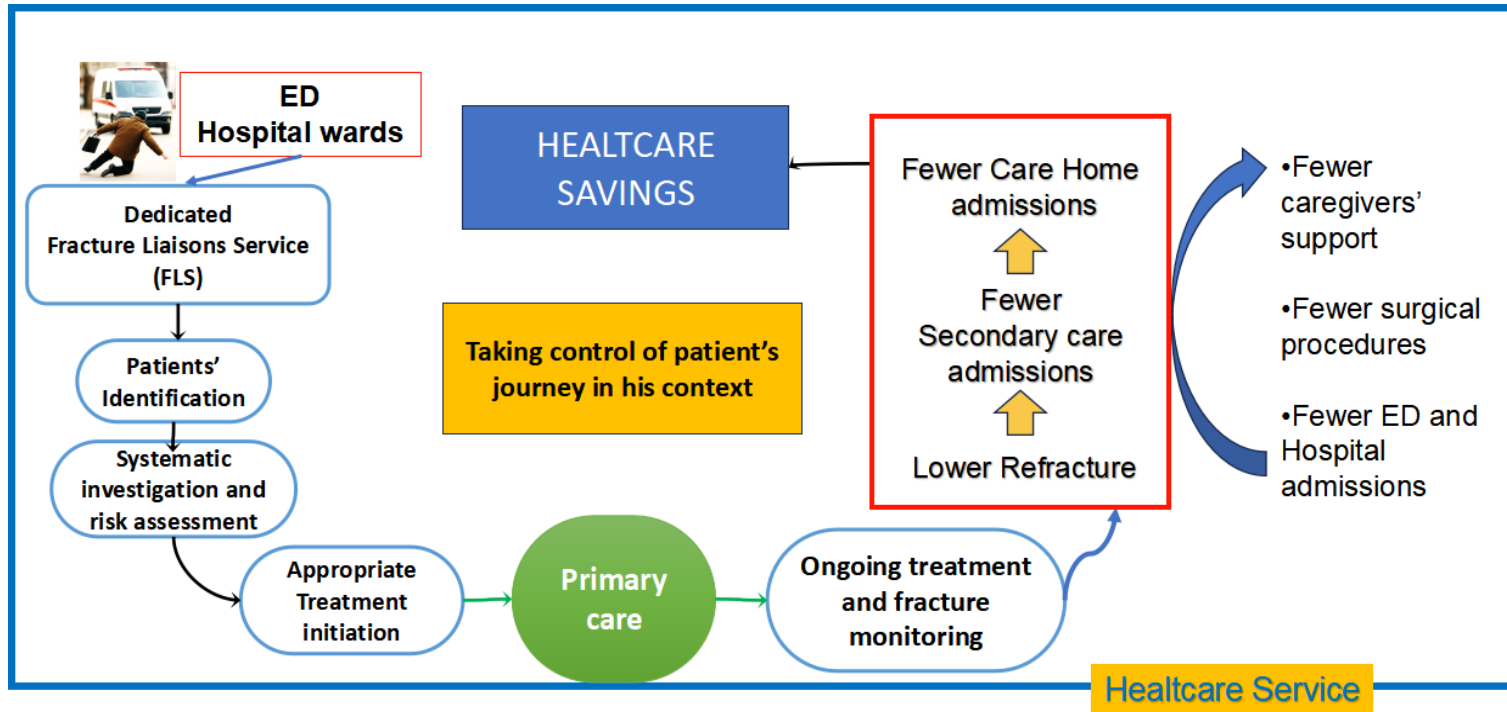


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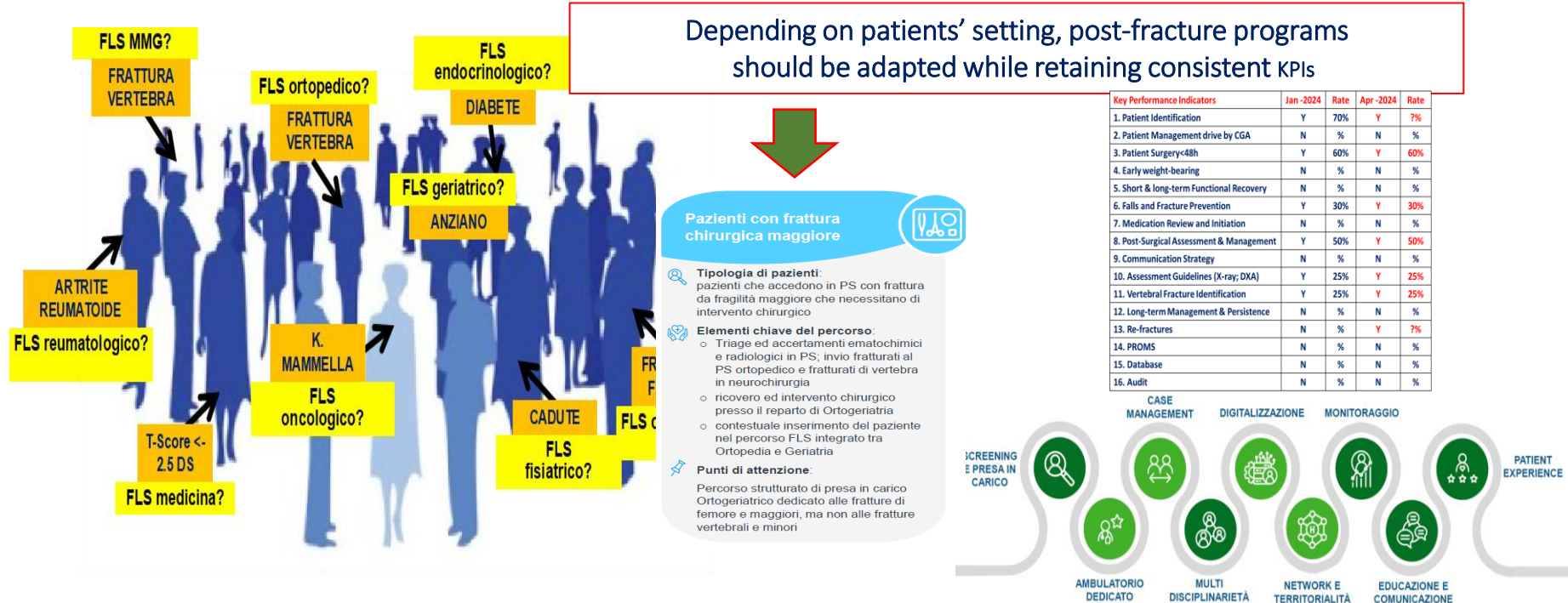
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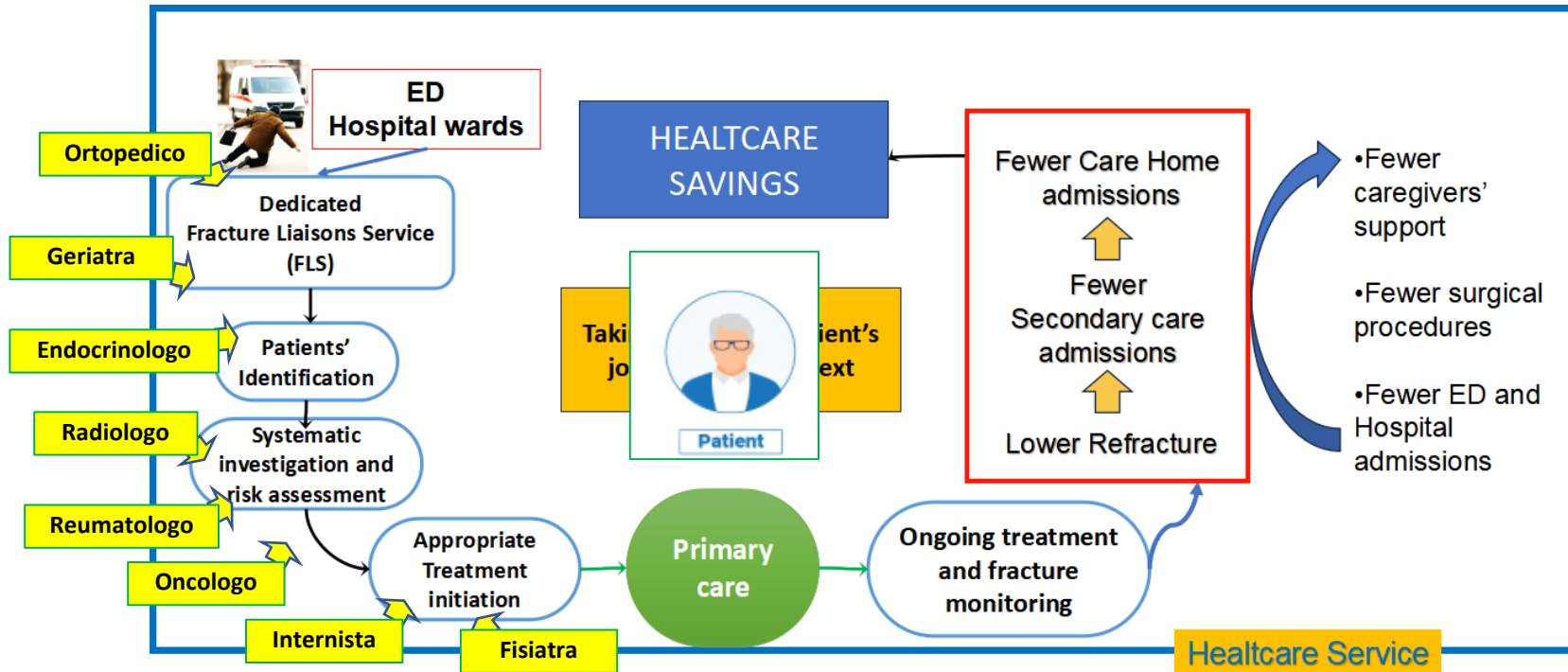
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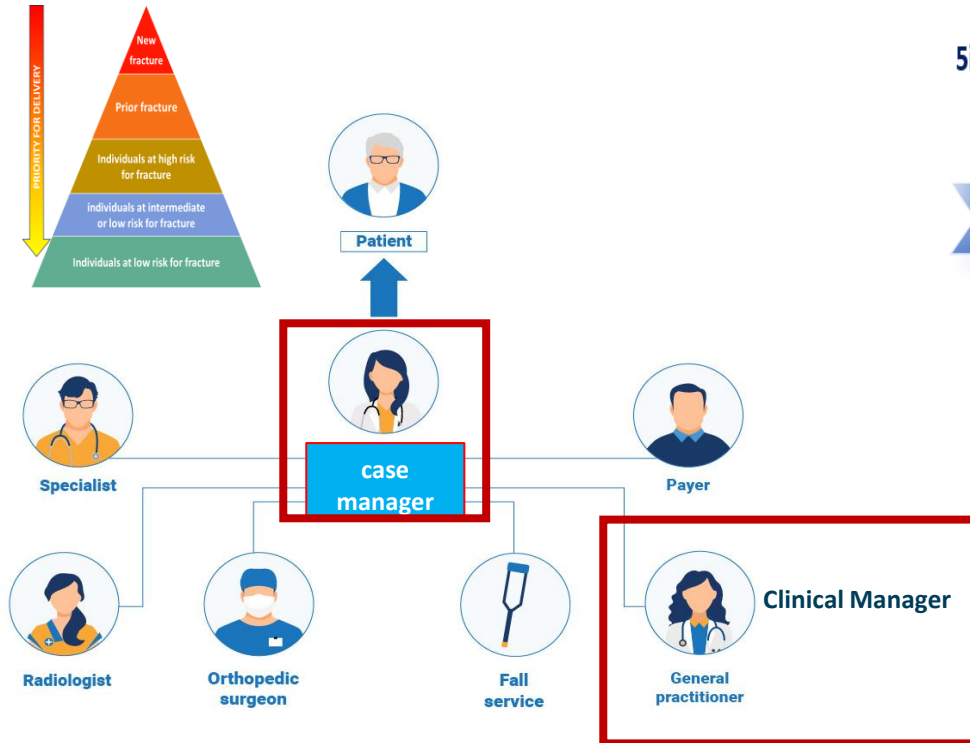
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Fracture Liaison Service e Casa della Comunità

Patient-Centered - Transmural- Multiprofessional and **Coordinated** care model usually hospital-based and transitioning to home

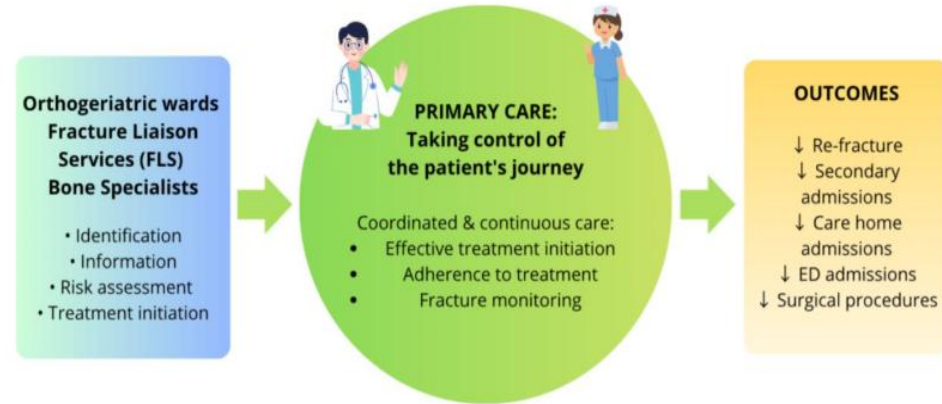


5i and more Targeted Interventions



Fracture Liaison Service: state of the art

1. Coordinated -Transmural-
Multiprofessional care model usually
hospital-based and **strongly connected
with community**



2. Designed to provide Systematic case-finding and initiation to the most appropriate treatments patients aged 50 and over at risk of fragility fracture

3. Aimed to reduce the burden of subsequent falls and fractures at individual and HC level starting from those at the highest risk

The 2024 UK clinical guideline for the prevention and treatment of osteoporosis

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The guideline is intended for all healthcare professionals involved in the prevention and treatment of osteoporosis and fragility fractures, *including **primary care practitioners** and relevant specialists in secondary care* including rheumatologists, gerontologists, gynaecologists, endocrinologists, and orthopaedic surgeons.....***Primary care physicians should have sufficient training in this area with efficient access to up-to-date evidence-based resources and guidelines, and continual professional development (CPD) opportunities*** (Strong recommendation).

1. Pharmacological treatment options
2. Falls interventions
3. Screening and case finding

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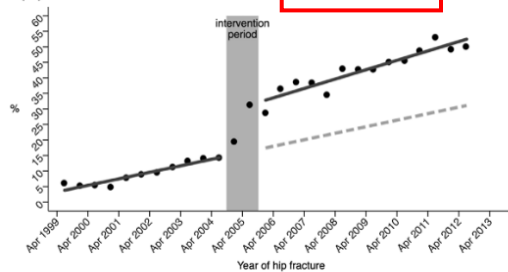
1. Pharmacological treatment options for Primary Care

- Offer oral **bisphosphonates** (alendronate or risedronate) or intravenous zoledronate as the most costeffective interventions.
- Availability of **parenteral drug therapies in primary care and community healthcare** settings (Strong recommendation).
- The patient and the primary care practitioner are **made aware that denosumab treatment** should not be stopped or delayed without discussion with a healthcare professional (Strong recommendation).
- Primary care clinicians should **always have in mind the possibility of vertebral fracture in postmenopausal women and men aged ≥ 50 years who present with acute onset back pain**, especially thoracic pain, if they have risk factors for osteoporosis (Strong recommendation).

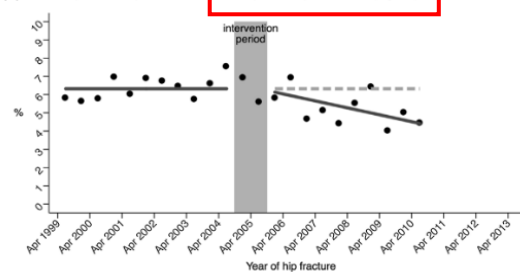
Anti-osteoporosis medication prescriptions and incidence of subsequent fracture among primary hip fracture patients in England and Wales: an interrupted time-series analysis

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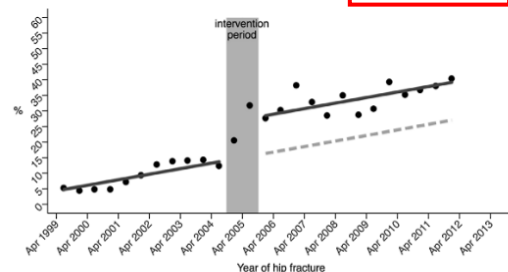
(a): Index hip fracture patients initiating anti-OP therapy (0-12 months)



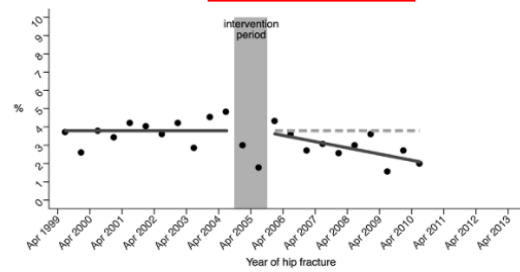
(a): Index hip fracture patients with subsequent major fracture (3-year)



(b): Index hip fracture survivors with ≥ 1 bisphosphonate prescription (12-14 months)



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● observed bi-annual proportions (standardised)
— estimated pre- and post-intervention trends based on observed values
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Sample: 11.3 million patients - UK practices- 7% UK population.

Intervention: NICE TA 87 in January 2005 and the first authorisation of generic forms of alendronic acid in August 2005.

NICE TA 87 gave for the first time guidance on clinical thresholds for prescribing various anti-osteoporosis medications among post-menopausal women having sustained a clinically apparent osteoporotic fracture (i.e. in secondary prevention).

It recommended the use of bisphosphonates for the treatment of women aged 75 years or older without the need for prior dual energy X-ray absorptiometry (DEXA) scanning.

Effectiveness of an integrated hospital-community care pathway for fragility fractures' secondary prevention: the PROMOTER-II study



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- **9186 subjects from 50 years**, resident in Pavia province (**n: 436.406**), enrolled at the time of hospital admission due to ICD-9-CM codes

- admission due to major FF, in the period **2016–2018** and **2019–2020** before and after the implementation of the IHCP

- **re-fracture rate**: 5.2/100 person/year

- **mortality rate**: 13.4/100 person/year

Variable	Refractures rate per 100 person-year (95%CI)	Refractures Multivariable model Model chi ² (10) 107.94, <i>p</i> < 0.001 Harrell's <i>C</i> 0.62		Mortality rate per 100 person-year (95%CI)	Mortality Multivariable model Model chi ² (10) 1323.68, <i>p</i> < 0.001 Harrell's <i>C</i> 0.74	
	<i>N</i> = 5.2 per 100 <i>p</i> /year (4.8–5.7)	HR (95%CI)	<i>p</i> -value	<i>N</i> = 13.4 per 100 <i>p</i> /year (12.7–14)	HR (95%CI)	<i>p</i> -value
Age			< 0.001			< 0.001
< = 71	2.7 (2.2–3.3)	1		3.1 (2.6–3.7)	1	
72–80	5.6 (4.9–5.6)	1.83 (1.43–2.36)	< 0.001	8.8 (7.8–10.0)	2.70 (2.17–3.36)	< 0.001
81–87	6.6 (5.7–7.6)	2.00 (1.56–2.58)	< 0.001	15.4 (14.1–17.0)	4.15 (3.37–5.11)	< 0.001
> 87	6.7 (5.8–7.8)	1.80 (1.38–2.34)	< 0.001	30.2 (28.2–32.4)	7.06 (5.77–8.65)	< 0.001
Sex			0.310			< 0.001
F	5.4 (4.9–5.9)	1		11.6 (10.9–12.3)	1	
M	4.7 (4.0–5.6)	0.90 (0.75–1.10)		19.1 (17.6–20.7)	1.78 (1.61–1.98)	
IHCP implementation			< 0.001			0.046
Before	4.5 84.0–5.0)	1		12.7 (11.9–13.6)	1	
After	6.1 (5.5–6.8)	1.34 (1.15–1.57)		14.1 (13.2–15.1)	1.10 (1.00–1.21)	
Treatment			0.139			< 0.001
Untreated	5.2 (4.8–5.7)	1		15.2 (14.5–16.0)	1	
Inappropriately	6.0 (4.6–7.8)	1.34 (1.00–1.80)	0.048	0.4 (0.2–1.1)	0.05 (0.02–0.14)	< 0.001
Appropriately	3.9 (2.3–6.5)	0.81 (0.48–1.35)	0.416	6.2 (4.2–9.2)	0.55 (0.37–0.82)	0.003
Appropriately and adherent	4.3 (3.0–6.7)	0.85 (0.54–1.34)	0.487	2.1 (1.1–3.8)	0.18 (0.10–0.34)	< 0.001
Site of index FF			< 0.001			< 0.001
Humerus/wrist	3.6 (3.1–4.2)	1		6.4 (5.7–7.1)	1	
Vertebra	4.2 (3.4–5.1)	1.13 (0.88–1.45)	0.349	10.1 (8.9–11.4)	1.40 (1.19–1.66)	< 0.001
Hip	7.2 (6.5–8.0)	1.64 (1.35–1.98)#	< 0.001	21.0 (19.8–22.3)	1.98 (1.74–2.25)#	< 0.001
		#hip vs vertebra <i>p</i> = 0.001			#hip vs vertebra <i>p</i> < 0.001	

Integrated care for fragility fractures under DM 77/2022

From hospital to community, together for lifelong bone health

1. ACUTE CARE

Fracture and stabilisation

Hospital (Orthopaedics / Orthogeriatrics)



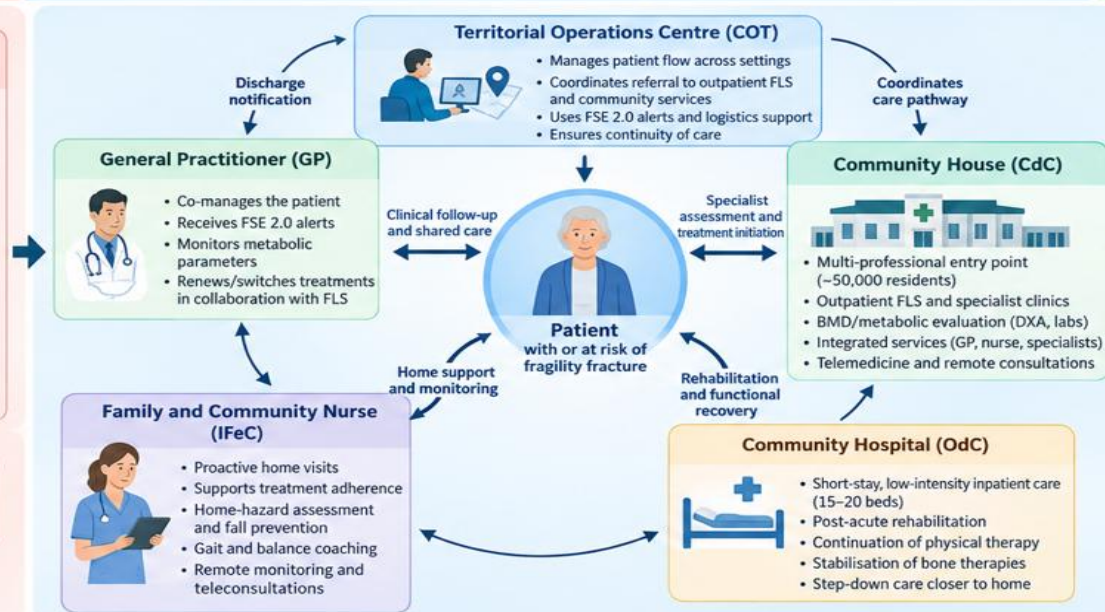
- Diagnosis and surgical stabilisation
- Early geriatric assessment
- Identification of fragility fracture
- Alert to COT and FSE 2.0

Discharge planning

Automated hand-off to community services (COT, FLS, GP)

2. TRANSITION AND COMMUNITY CARE

Integrated services through DM 77/2022



3. LONG-TERM MANAGEMENT

Adherence, monitoring and fall prevention



Treatment adherence

- Regular monitoring (3, 6, 12 months)
- Long-term therapy (5–10 years)



Fall prevention

- Home safety interventions
- Physical activity and balance training



Remote care and telemedicine

- Virtual check-ins (CdC or home)
- Reduced geographical barriers



Ongoing coordination

- GP, IFeC, FLS and community services
- Shared data via FSE 2.0



Quality indicators and audit

- Capture, assessment, treatment initiation
- Adherence rates
- Outcomes and continuous improvement



Fascicolo Sanitario Elettronico 2.0 (FSE 2.0)

Shared data, real-time alerts, notifications and performance monitoring

----- Clinical data and alerts -----

----- Shared access -----

----- Monitoring and reporting -----



Regional and national monitoring

Quality indicators (QIs), audits and population health evaluation

EXPECTED OUTCOMES



Appropriate and timely treatment initiation

With personalised bone protection



Sustained adherence

1- to 2-year adherence rates >75%



Fewer secondary fractures and falls

Improved mobility and function



Lower mortality and long-term dependency

Better quality of life

A more connected system for stronger bones and healthier lives

Outline

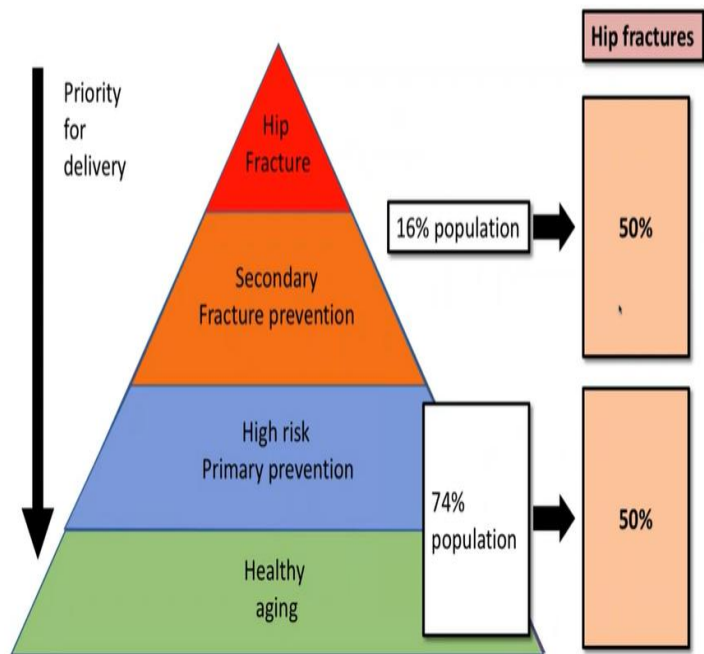
- FLS to close the care gap in secondary prevention of fragility fractures
 - main features and scope
- Tips to setting up and FLS
 - what does it takes? methodology and resources



How setting up a Fracture Liaison Service

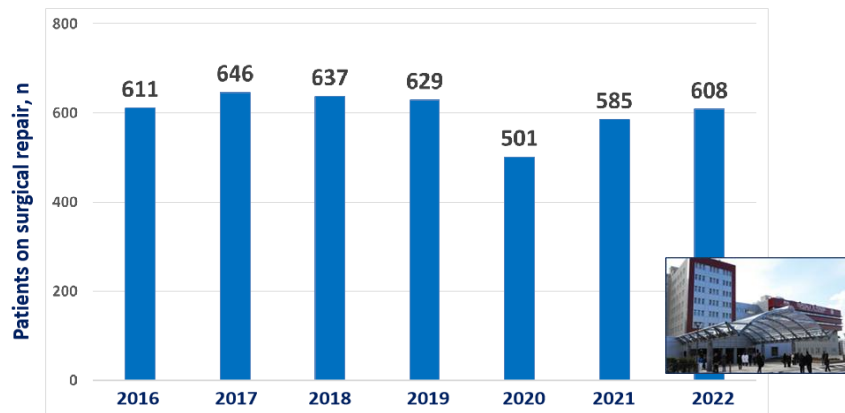
1. Not every FLS is effective — outcomes scale with model intensity.

Conoscere il contesto nosologico per valutare le modalità e la fattibilità dell'intervento



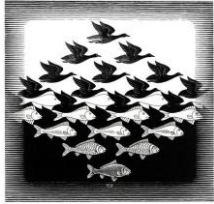
Department of Health Prevention Package for Older People: Falls and Fractures - Effective interventions in health and social care, 2009

% = Identify- Initiate - Investigation
To be Identified -Initiated- Investigated

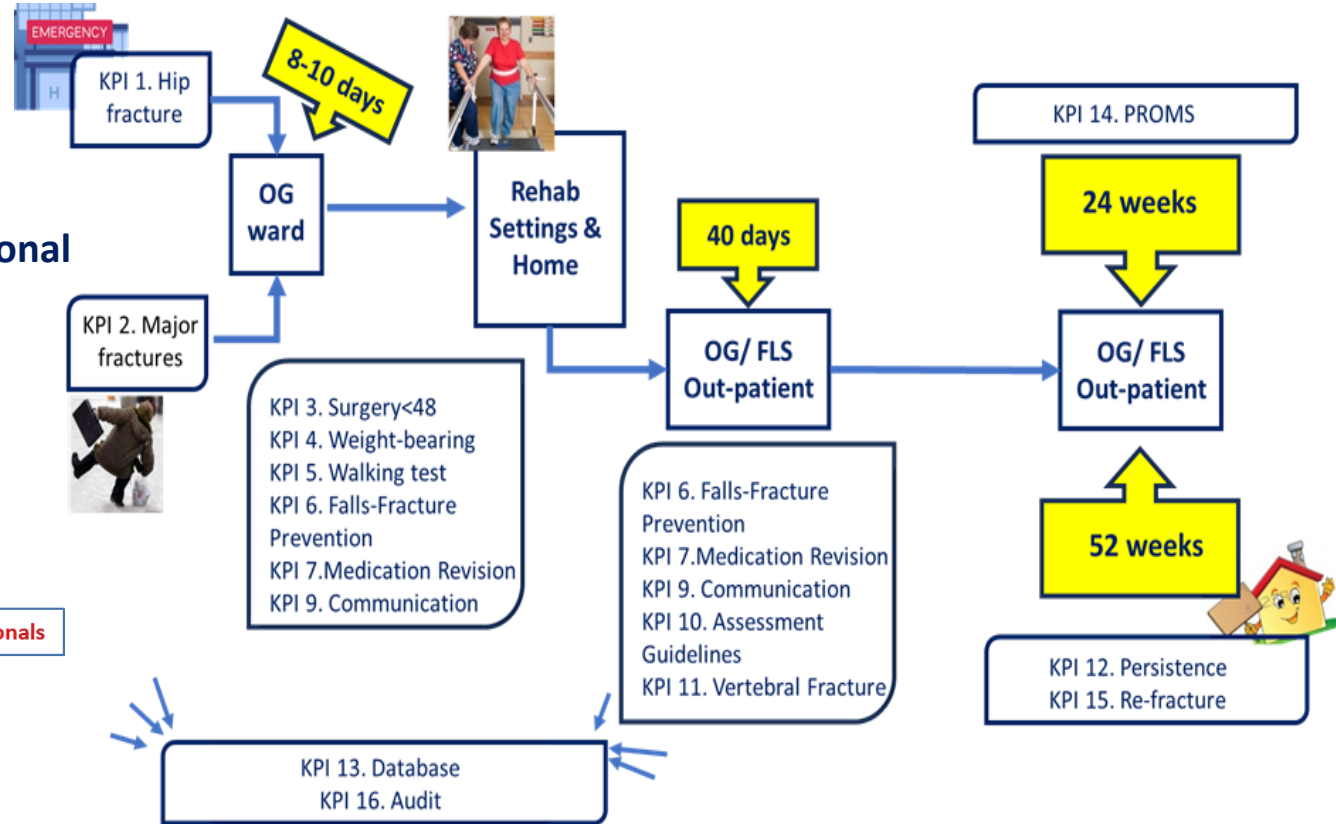


1°: dobbiamo conoscere il denominatore - Fonte SDO

SPECIFIC KPIs in a feasible care PATHWAY



1. Directional & Organizational
2. Core & All Professionals
3. Transmural Actors





How setting up a Fracture Liaison Service



1. Patient Identification
2. Patient Assessment
3. Timing of Post-Fracture Assessment
4. Identification of Vertebral Fx
5. Adherence to Guidelines
6. Secondary Causes of Osteoporosis
7. Falls Prevention Service
8. Multidimensional Assessment
9. Treatment Initiation
10. Treatment Review
11. Communication Strategy
12. Long-Term Management
13. Database



Key Performance Indicators required to track and measure performance at each stage of the care pathway.

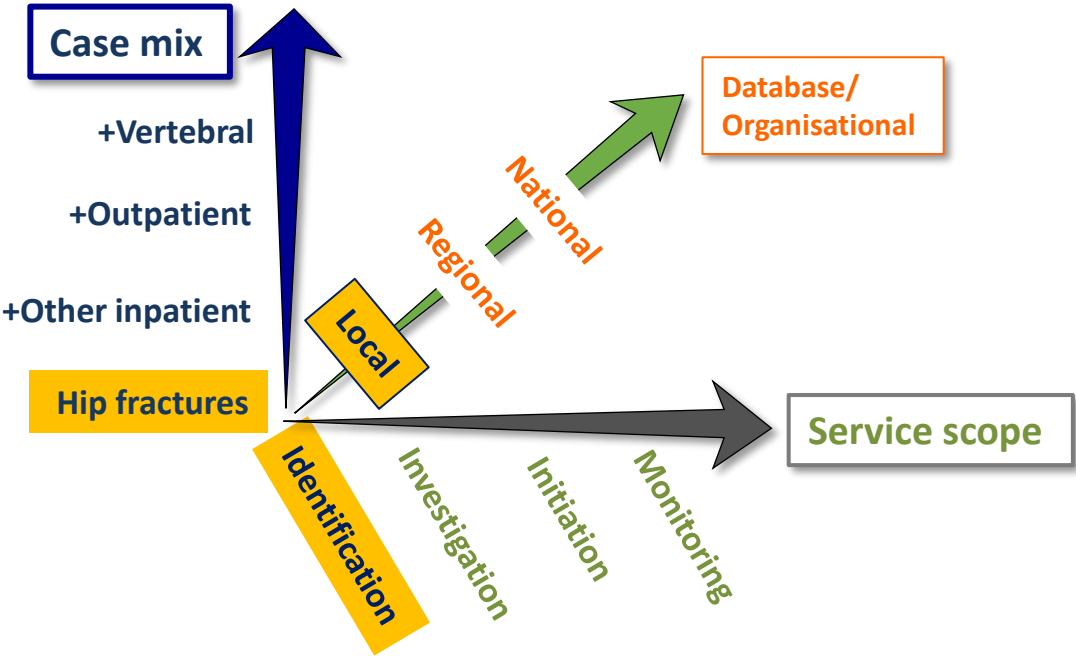


Identify and intervene for the **largest possible number** of patients at high risk of fracture; these patients **should be started on the most effective treatments as soon as possible (0–90 days)** following a fracture and monitored over time.



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4. start with the smallest scalabel unit



Rule of thumb

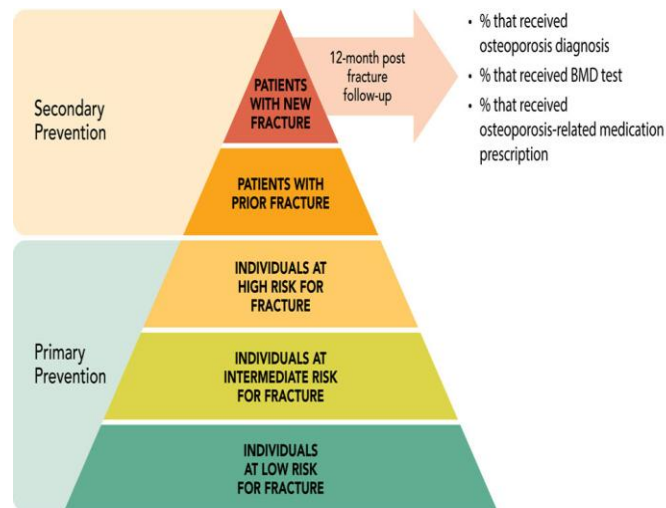


How setting up a Fracture Liaison Service

4. start with the smallest scabel unit by measuring what you are doing

Gennaio- Giugno 2020	Frattura femorale			Nov- Dic 2020
KPIs and standars of care	Attivo	Inattivo	N (%) <90gg	Obiettivo
1. Identificazione paziente	x		100 (30%)	Identificati e monitorati
2. Valutazione paziente	x		30%	70-90%
3. Tempi valutazione post-frattura	x			8-12 settimane
4. Identificazione Fx vertebrali		x		Approccio clinico-strumentale/FLS
5. Attinenza linee guida	x		50%	Lg regionali-nazionali
6. Cause secondarie OP	x		15%	70-90%
7. Servizio prevenzione cadute		x		70-90%
8. Valutazione multidimensionale	x			70-90%
9. Avvio trattamento	x		90%	70-90%
10. Revisione trattamento	x			70-90%
11. Strategia comunicazione		x		Comunicato al MMG/ 50-90% criteri
12. Gestione lungo-termine	x			>12 mesi frattura
13. Database	x		20%	Sistema rgionale-nazionale

Revisionare il processo dal punto di vista del paziente e del servizio





5. Use local data not impressions and methodology for improvement

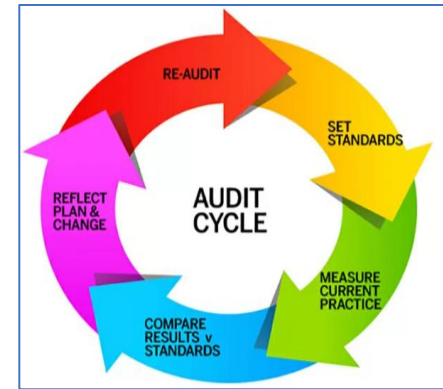
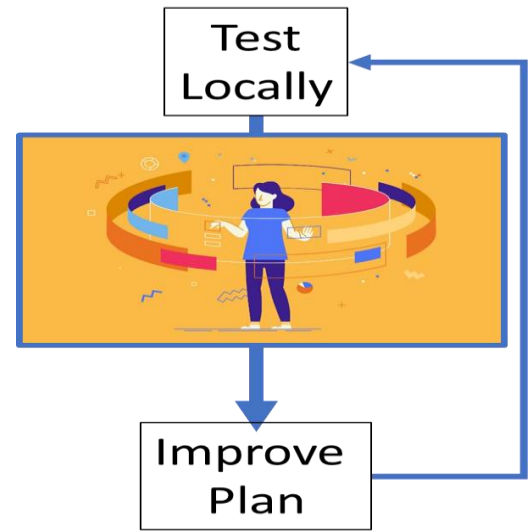
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1. Effective
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3. Patient Experience

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SMART aim

Specific, Measurable, Attainable, Relevant, Time-bound





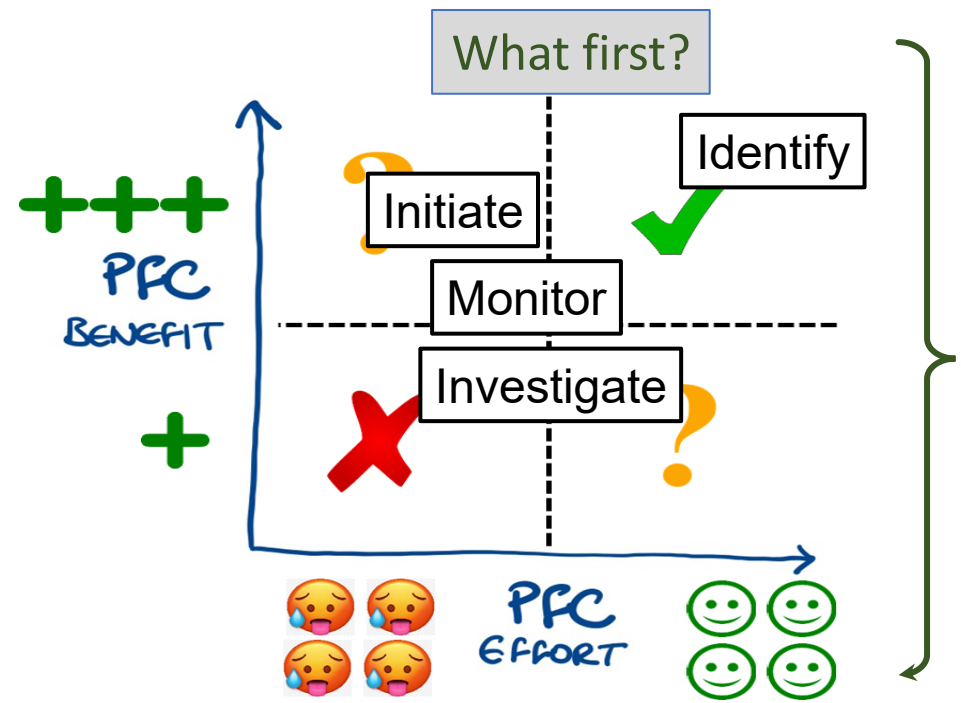
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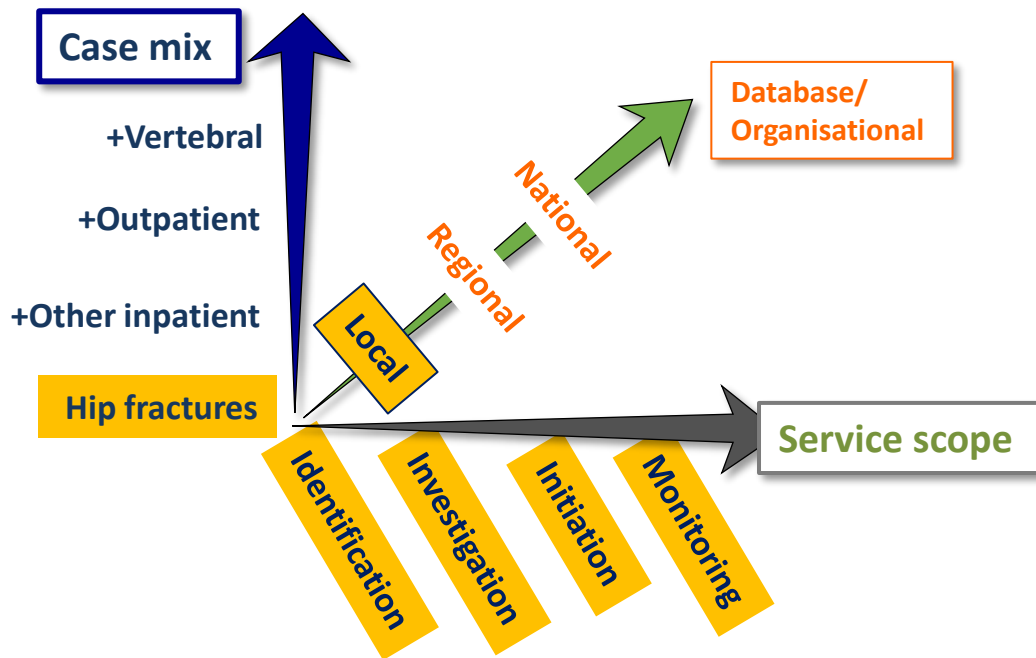
How does it affect measures of

- outcome
- process
- balancing



Fragility Fracture Prevention

Efficacy and Sustainability and Scalability



Ottimizzazione del percorso ortogeriatrico del paziente con frattura di femore

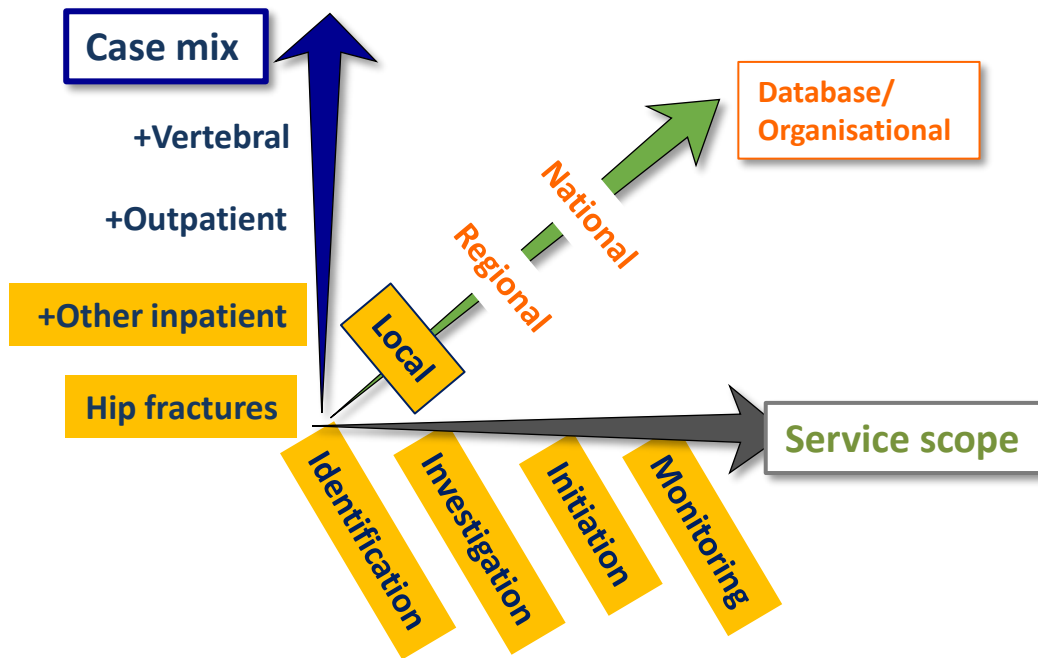
Presenza di una figura di **Case Manager** che predispone e riporta in relazione di dimissione l'appuntamento per:

- **Visita ortogeriatrica multidisciplinare** a 30-40 giorno
- **Esami biumorali** programmati 7 giorni prima della visita
- **Esami strumentali** da programmare contestualmente alla visita



Fragility Fracture Prevention

Efficacy and Sustainability and Scalability



Attivazione del percorso per la gestione dei pazienti dimessi dopo ricovero per frattura Maggiore

- Target: paziente ricoverato per frattura da fragilità extra-femore (circa 300 pazienti/anno)
- Attribuzione di diagnosi di frattura da fragilità, indicazione a ricovero, attivazione case manager
- Indicazione entro 90 giorni dalla dimissione a esami strumentali e visita osteometabolica

Fragility Fracture Prevention - Efficacy and Sustainability



Competencies:

- bone specialists
- case managers
- clinical manager (GPs)

Methodology:

- tools
- oriented to priorities

Background

$$\text{High Added Value for the System} = \frac{\text{Big Population benefit (Denominator)}}{\text{What about MI recurrence?}}$$

MI recurrence is estimated at 5-7% over a median follow-up of 10 years, with higher risk in the first year and lower rates in subsequent years.

(Smolina K et al, Circulation, 2012; Bruno F et al, Int J Card 2022)

Hip	630	19	3.02	42	6.67	84	13.33
Proximal humerus	997	26	2.61	52	5.22	117	11.74
Multiple fractures	214	13	6.07	20	9.35	42	19.63
All other fractures*	1138	30	2.64	57	5.01	120	10.54

*Includes femur, spine, pelvis, clavicle, elbow, tibia/fibula, and other fragility fractures

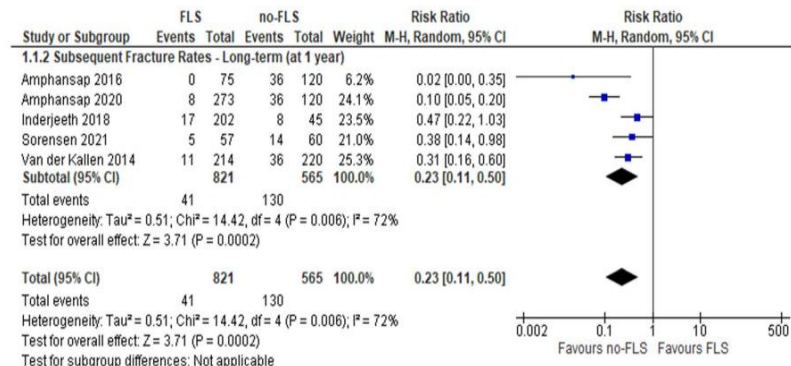
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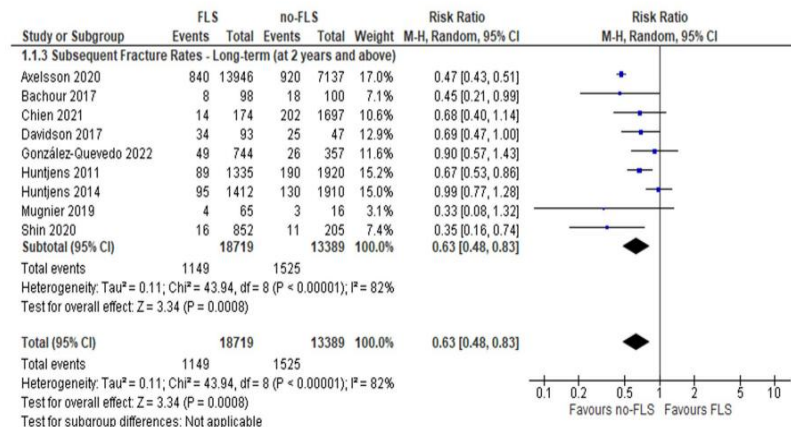
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The primary characteristics broadly included

- (1) identification of patients with fragility fracture **when patients access hospital care**;
- (2) **evaluation of risk** using different tests and/or procedures;
- (3) **establishment of a diagnosis**, treatment recommendations, and/or **initiation**;
- (4) outpatient follow-up either with the FLS or **referral to primary care doctor**;
- (5) education and communication with the patient's physician at **handover** from the FLS to the primary care physician.



b: Subsequent fracture rate – long-term (at 1 year)



c: Subsequent fracture rate – long-term (at 2 years and above)

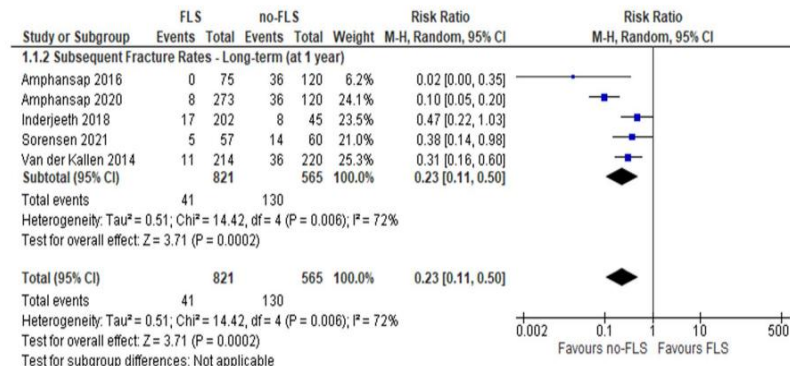
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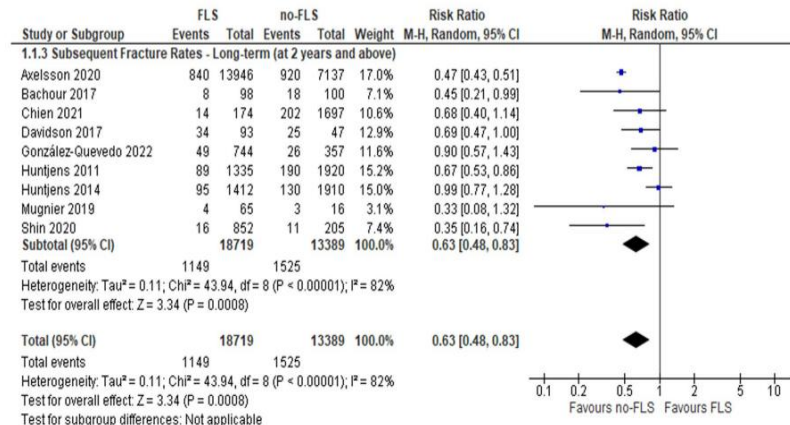
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The **process** of identifying patients at risk for secondary fracture varied based on the health system:

- 67%: identifies, investigates, and initiates treatment without a referral to primary care physicians (*best practice*)
- Inderjeeth et al: ED information system to detect minimal trauma fracture prior to discharge
- Eekman et al: direct referral from ED to FLS of minimal trauma fracture



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Fracture liaison services improve outcomes of patients with osteoporosis-related fractures: A systematic literature review and meta-analysis

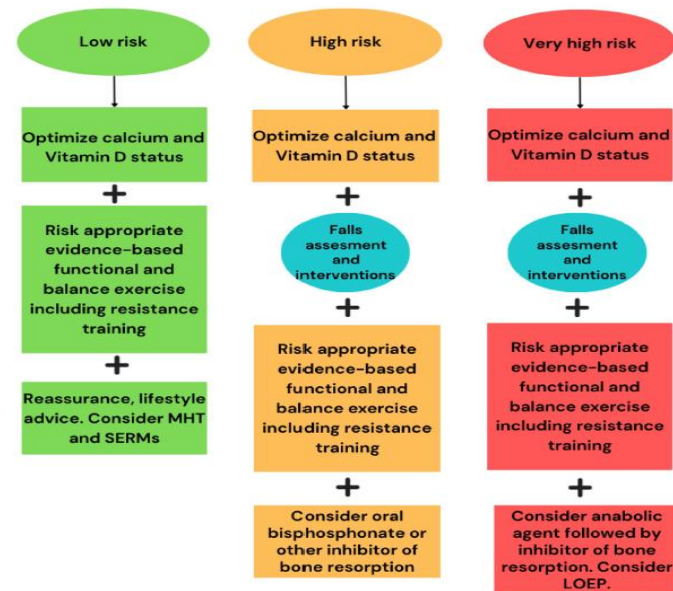
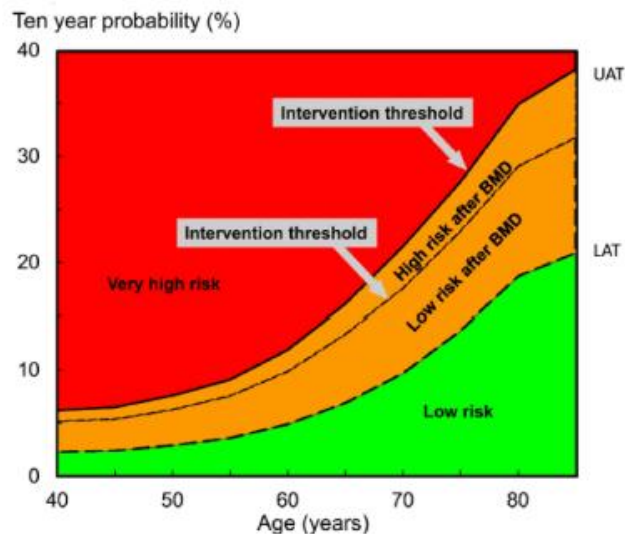


Chih-Hsing Wu ^{a,b,*}, Shih-Te Tu ^c, Yin-Fan Chang ^a, Ding-Cheng Chan ^{d,e,f}, Jui-Teng Chien ^g, Chih-Hsueh Lin ^h, Sonal Singh ⁱ, Manikanta Dasari ^j, Jung-Fu Chen ^k, Keh-Sung Tsai ^{l,**}

Patients' Outcome	Follow-up duration, m	Without FLS	With FLS	p	NNT
Subsequent Fractures	6-72	13.4%	6.4%	<.05	20
Mortality	6- 72	15.8%	10.4%	<.05	33
BMD testing	3- 26	48.0%	23.5%	<.05	4
Initiation	3- 72	17.2%	38.0%	<.05	5
Adherence	6- 48	34.1%	57.0%	<.05	5
Subsequent Falls	?	?	?	?	?

Position paper: a coordinated approach to fracture and fall prevention from seven international organizations

Nathalie van der Velde^{1,2} · Lotta J. Seppala^{1,2}  · Gullistan Bahat³  · Hubert Blain⁴ · Alvaro Casas Herrero^{5,6,7} · Nicholas C. Harvey^{8,9,10} · Tahir Masud¹¹  · René Rizzoli¹² · Jean-Yves Reginster¹³ · Carmelinda Ruggiero¹⁴



MHT=menopausal hormone therapy, SERM=selective estrogen receptor modulator, LOEP=local osteo-enhancement procedure. Low, high and very high risk correspond to risk categories in Figure 3. For exercise recommendations, we refer to *Strong, steady and straight: UK consensus statement on physical activity and exercise for osteoporosis* [30].

Fig. 4 Treatment pathways and fall assessment/management according to the categorization of fracture risk. Adapted from [20]

WHO benchmarks for equitable hip-fracture care and osteoporosis treatment in older people

Manju Chandran^{1,2,3}, Jotheeswaran A. Thiyagarajan⁴✉, Majed Alokail^{3,5}, Olivier Bruyère^{3,6}, Nic Rene Rizzoli^{3,8}, Nicola Veronese^{3,9,10} & Jean-Yves Reginster^{3,5}

- Hip-fracture surgery < 48 h

- Initiation of pharmacological treatment for osteoporosis soon after fracture

«**Sentinel measures** of a health system's readiness for rapidly ageing populations»

«Change requires sustained political commitment, investment in workforce and digital infrastructure, and a shift in mindset that treats a fracture **not as the end of care but as the starting point** for lifelong bone-health management.

Table 1 | Optimizing timely hip-fracture care barriers and actionable strategies

Event	Potential barriers	Solutions and strategic implementations
ED assessment and triage	Inefficient triage due to lack of clear protocols Inability of ED staff to recognize fragility fractures due to insufficient knowledge Lack of timely access to imaging	Clearly defined protocols for hip fracture triage in ED Fragility fracture recognition training for ED staff Standing orders for imaging if fracture suspected in older fallers Implementation of geriatric triage screening tools Pre-hospital notification systems to trigger hip-fracture care pathways
Surgical team consultation and planning; medical assessment and optimization	Presence of comorbidities that require assessment and stabilization Delays in acquisition of imaging tests Delays in obtaining laboratory results, ECGs or risk clearance Anticoagulation or polypharmacy concerns not addressed Delay in referrals to medical teams for management of comorbidities Delays in orthopaedic consultation No 24/7 orthopaedic team coverage (especially on weekends)	Standardized pre-operative care pathways Automated ED-to-orthopaedics alerts Hip fracture 'fast-track' protocol Multidisciplinary checklists for pre-surgical readiness Standing orders for labs and/or ECGs for suspected hip fractures Early orthogeriatric co-management
Hip-fracture surgery	Limited access to surgical scheduling systems and limited surgical slots Out-of-pocket expenses (especially in LMICs) Lack of theatre prioritization for hip fractures No target time for surgery set as standard (such as ≤48 h)	Dedicated surgical slots and/or teams Clinical checklists and care bundles Time-to-surgery audit benchmarks (e.g. national registry standards) Financial subsidies or bundled payment models Care Coordinator to ensure surgery readiness by 36–48 h
Post-operative care; in-hospital rehabilitative care; osteoporosis assessment and medication initiation	Insufficient inpatient physiotherapy and rehabilitative resources No delirium prevention protocols Osteoporosis not linked as the cause of the fracture Delays or inaccessibility to DXA and specialized labs to check for secondary osteoporosis Concern about starting osteoporosis medications too early after fracture and adverse effects of medicines No clear referral pathway to endocrinology and/or rheumatology No inpatient and/or bedside counselling of patients	Interdisciplinary rounds (physiotherapy, occupational therapy, nursing) Hip Fracture Care pathways with early mobilization targets Delirium screening and prevention protocols Referral to FLS for medication counselling, for treatment recommendations and to facilitate referrals to appropriate departments Standing orders for BMD testing post-fracture (as baseline for therapy monitoring once initiated) Digital health tools with embedded decision support for osteoporosis diagnosis and treatment and tracking of medication initiation
Discharge and outpatient follow-up	No post-discharge continuity of care No communication with primary care provider and no documentation of treatment plan Non-adherence to medications Inconsistent follow-up scheduling	FLS co-ordinator follow-up Discharge summaries with a clear osteoporosis treatment plan Integration with primary-care electronic medical record Telehealth follow-up with pharmacist and/or nurse National patient registries to track medication adherence

BMD, bone mineral density; DXA, dual-energy X-ray absorptiometry; ECG, electrocardiogram; ED, emergency department; FLS, fracture liaison services; LMICs, low- and middle-income countries.

What's matter to older persons?

Fracture Liaison/Prevention Service Patient Experience Survey

This survey aims to collect information about your experience of the care provided by the Fracture Liaison/Prevention Service. By completing this survey, you can help to improve the service for future patients. For each statement, please put a tick in the box that most closely represents how you feel.



	Statement	Strongly agree	Agree	Disagree	Strongly disagree	Not Applicable
Interactions	1 During my interactions with the Fracture Liaison/Prevention Service team I felt I was treated respectfully, as an individual.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Investigations	2 During my bone density assessment (DXA scan) the person doing the scan explained what was going to happen and why.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	3 The results of my bone density assessment (DXA scan) were explained to me clearly.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Information	4 I have been given information about bone health and reducing my future fracture risk in a way that I could understand.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	5 I have been given information about organisations where I can obtain further information or support (e.g. the Royal Osteoporosis Society).	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	6 I have had the opportunity to access information and/or education to help me manage my condition better.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
Intervention	7 I was as involved as I wanted to be in decisions about my care and treatment by the Fracture Liaison/Prevention Service team.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	8 I feel that the benefits and side effects of any treatment I was offered were adequately explained.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	9 I feel that I have a good understanding of the treatment I am taking or that I've been offered for my osteoporosis.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
	10 I know who to contact to discuss any concerns about my bone health and / or my treatment.	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐

**Aiutaci a migliorare
il tuo percorso di cura
e i servizi sanitari**

I professionisti e le Aziende sanitarie
ti invitano a valutare servizi e cure
dal tuo punto di vista.

Puoi aiutarci a capire
come il sistema sanitario
è riuscito a rispondere alle tue esigenze.

**Partecipa all'indagine
Aiutaci a chiudere il cerchio!**

Grazie per l'attenzione

Incidence, risk factors, prognosis of periprosthetic fractures post hip fracture: unveiling protective role of anti-osteoporotic medication

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Periprosthetic fractures: an unrecognized osteoporosis crisis

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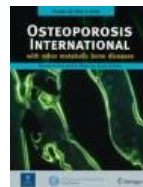
Outcome	Patient No	event	(%)	Failure probability (%)			
				1y	2y	3y	4y
All-cause mortality							
Periprosthetic fracture	443	146	(33.0)	16.3	28.7	37.9	46.7
Second hip fracture	2285	681	(29.8)	18.37	29.5	40.2	50.0
Subsequent major osteoporotic fracture							
Periprosthetic fracture	443	33	(7.5)	4.8	8.1	10.4	13.3
Second hip fracture	2285	85	(3.7)	2.2	4.8	6.9	8.1

Outline

- Services for secondary prevention of fragility fractures
 - main features and scope
- Tips to setting up and FLS
 - what does it takes? methodology and resources
- Brief summary of local experience
 - what traps should be avoided

Post-fracture care programs for prevention of subsequent fragility fractures: a literature assessment of current trends

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Program model	Inpatient care	Orthogeriatric inpatient care ^a	↓		↓	
			Outpatient care	Post-discharge care	Coordinator based	Primary prevention
Fracture liaison service (FLS) or Fracture prevention service (FPS)	Yes/no	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No
Orthogeriatric services (OGS) or Geriatric fracture center (GFC)	Yes/no	Yes	Usually no	Usually no	Yes/No	No
Osteoporosis liaison service (OLS)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Other post-fracture care (PFC)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Usually yes	Usually yes	No



• Orthogeriatric Care Program



The fourth step: watch your pathway using Key Performance Indicators (KPI)

1. Patient Identification

2. Patient Management drive by CGA

3. Patient Surgery<48h

4. Early weight-bearing

5. Short & long-term Functional Recovery

6. Falls and Fracture Prevention

7. Medication Review and Initiation

8. Post-Surgical Assessment & Management

9. Communication Strategy

10. Assessment Guidelines (X-ray; DXA)

11. Vertebral Fracture Identification

12. Long-term Management & Persistence

13. Re-fractures

14. PROMS

15. Database

16. Audit

Outcome measure: the measure ultimately you want to affect

i.e. number of patients >50 yrs on treatment after 12 months from index event

Process measures: reflects the way your system and your processes work to deliver what you want

i.e. number of patients able to be monitored at 12 months from index event

Balancing measures: they track if you are introducing problems in another part of the system
i.e. waiting list for assessment