

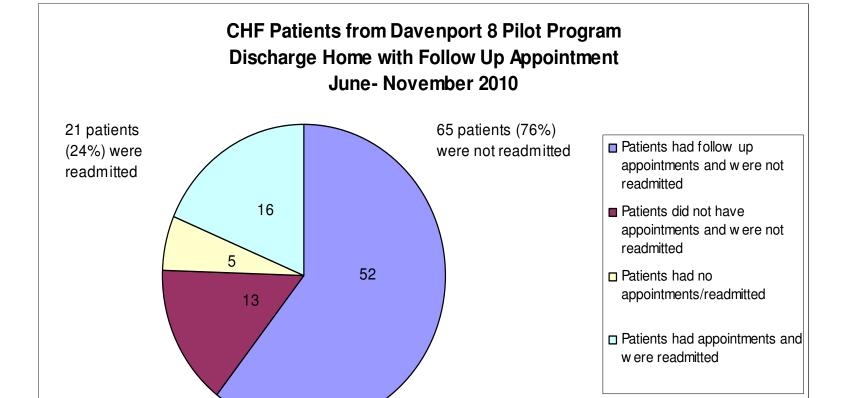
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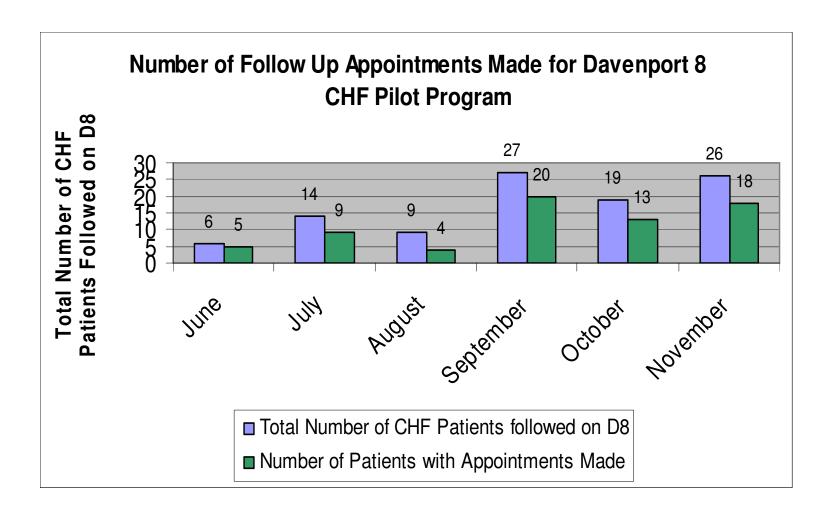
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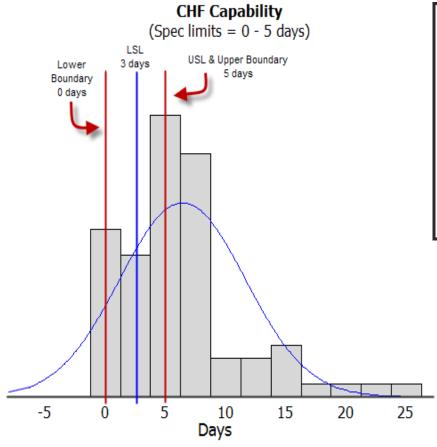
Process

- Case Management reviews cases
 - Confirms CHF diagnosis Day 1 hands off to assistant who makes appointment
 - Added risk assessment tool in July
- Case Management Assistant
 - Makes appointment generally within 24 hours of admission to decrease delays in appointments
 - Appointment is added to discharge instruction tool
 - Tracks through stay and will cancel if patient discharges to SNF or has delay in discharge
 - Information turned in on discharge and tracked on spreadsheet





CHF Post hospital follow up appointment



Customer Requirements	
Upper Spec (days)	5
Lower Spec (days)	3
Process Characterization	
Mean (days)	6.4051
Standard deviation (days)	5.2073
% Out of spec (> 5 days)	71.57

Sustainability and Spread

- CHF initiative will be reporting to newly formed Cardiology council
- Will be focusing on patients who bounce back to see why they are readmitted
- Who should appointment be with:
 - PCP?
 - Cardiology?
 - Living well with heart failure
- Looking to move program to other units and across campus
- Feedback to PCP groups
- Scripting for staff regarding calls to make appointments
- Working with Transition team to establish consistent follow up appointment on D/C from SNF – target 7 days