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Norfolk General Hospital has achieved some significant improvement in Emergency Department Wait Times. Latest reported numbers show NGH ED patients will wait 14.4* hours before moving to an inpatient bed on one of the units. This wait time represents the average experience of 9 out of 10 admitted patients. It also reflects a decrease greater than 15% over the same period in the previous year and is the shortest wait time in the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant Local Health Integrated Network. (HNHB LHIN) Further, NGH scores below the Provincial target of 25 hours and well below the LHIN average of 48.6 hours.

“This is wonderful news for the sickest of our patients” said Ben Speers NGH Director of Emergency Department “The NGH ED physicians and nurses are focused on ensuring that those patients in greatest need will get to where they need to be as quickly as possible.”

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