

Experiences from Sweden's First Digi-Physical, High-Acuity Early Discharge Hospital at Home Program

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Introduction

- Early discharge HaH program (>95% of all admissions) for Capio S:t Görans, a tertiary referral hospital with ≈ 300 bed capacity
- Location: Stockholm, Sweden
- Clinical pathway: Department of Medicine (84 hospital beds)
- Inclusion period: October 2022 to October 2024
- Study cohort: 579 unique patients and 618 care episodes

HaH Study Population

Female sex	305 (49)	No. (%)
Age	62 (46-76)	Median (IQR)
ADL independency index [†]	2 (2-3)	Median (IQR)
Chronic conditions ^{††}	1 (0-2)	Median (IQR)
> 1 chronic conditions	320 (52)	No. (%)
LOS before HaH admission	2.1 (1.0-3.8)	Median (IQR)
LOS HaH	3.1 (2.0-5.1)	Median (IQR)
LOS total	5.9 (3.9-9.3)	Median (IQR)
Escalation rate	39 (6.3)	No. (%)
30-day readmission	43 (7.0)	No. (%)
30-day mortality	2 (0.3)	No. (%)
Serious adverse events ^{†††}	0 (0)	Median (IQR)
Patient satisfaction ^{††††}	10 (10-10)	Median (IQR)

ADL, activities of daily life; LOS, length of stay

[†] Local hospital index of ADL independency: 6 p = total dependence; 0 p fully independent

^{††} Chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, congestive heart failure, atrial fibrillation and flutter, chronic kidney disease, diabetes mellitus, hyperlipidemia, hypertension

^{†††} Fall trauma, pressure ulcer, delirium

^{††††} Scale 0-10

The Hybrid Care Model

30%

Remote care

30%

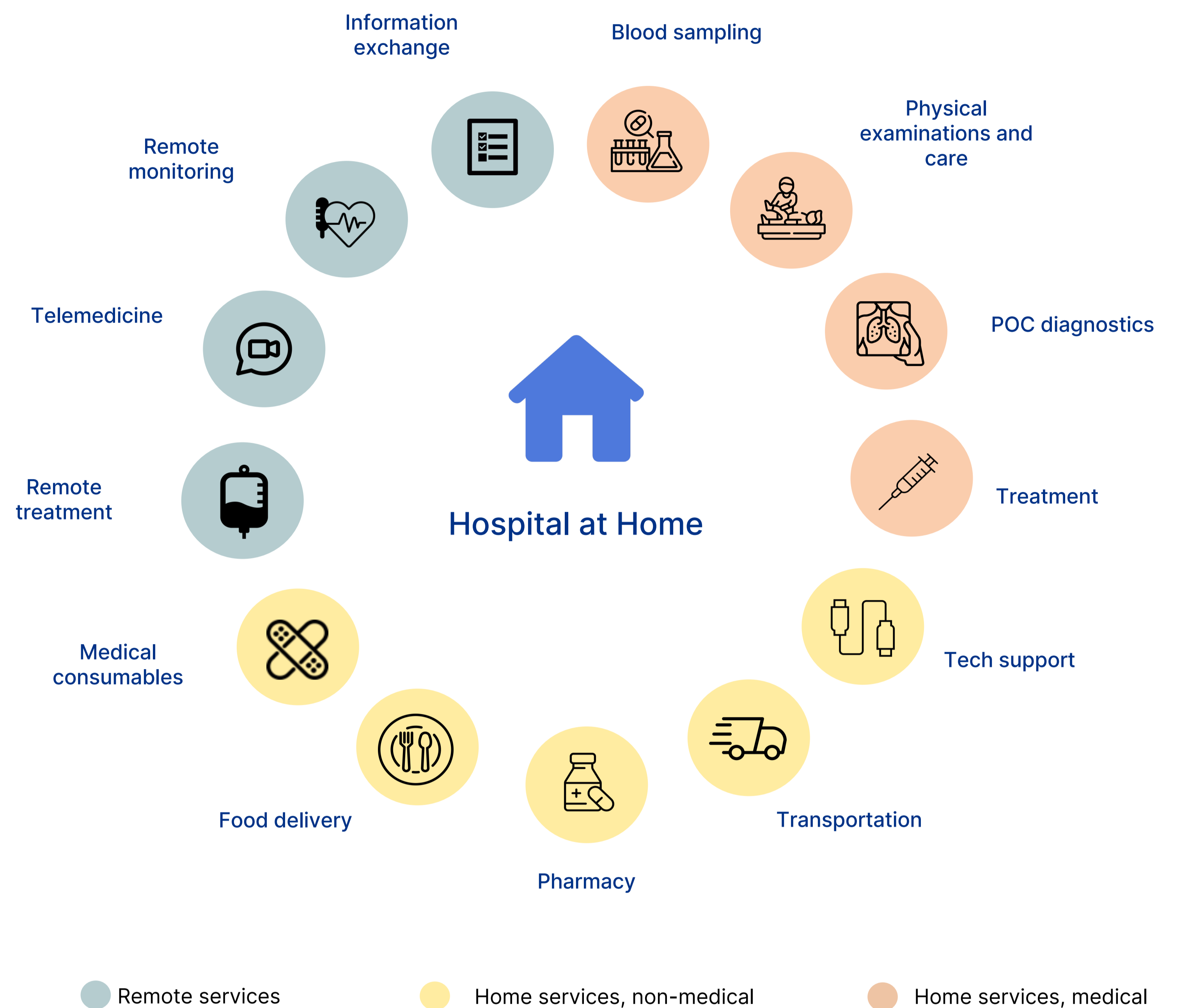
Of all home services can be performed by non-medical personnel

1.5

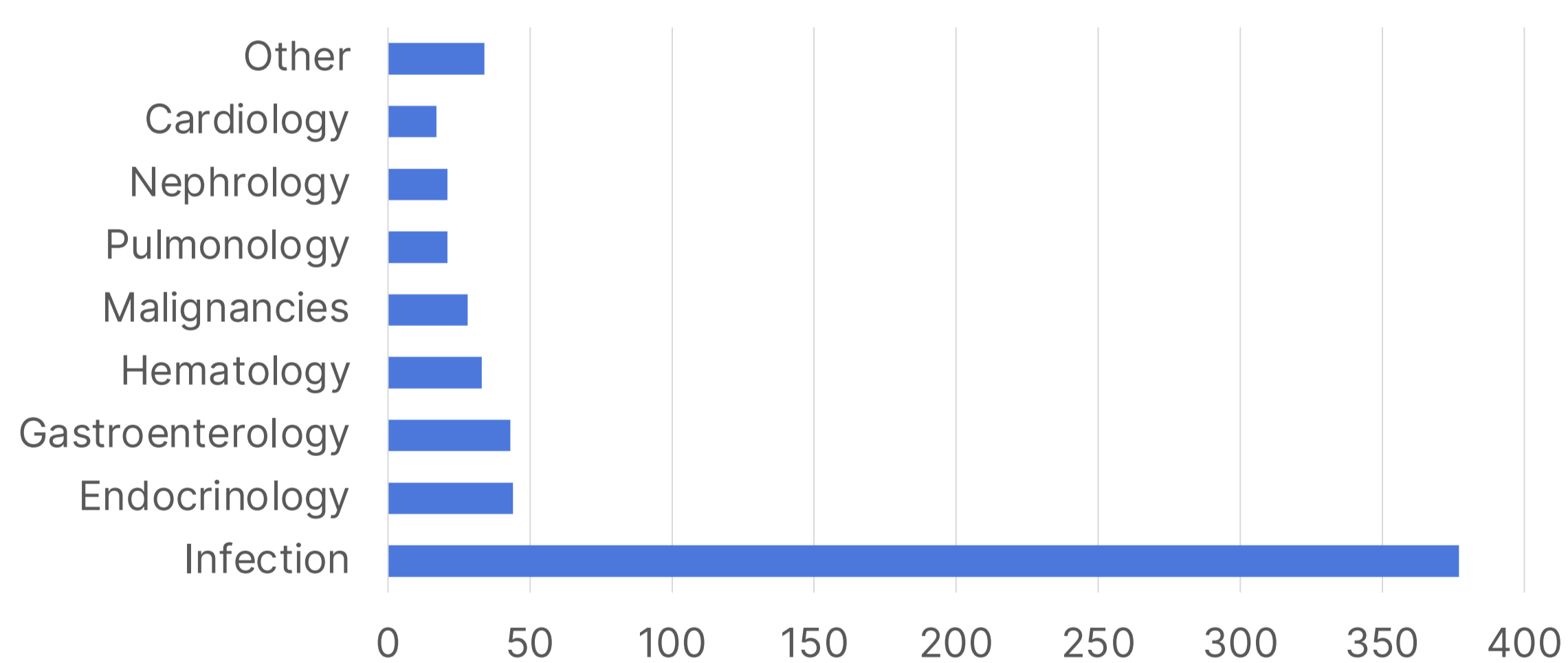
Home visits per patient per day

20%

More patients per nurse

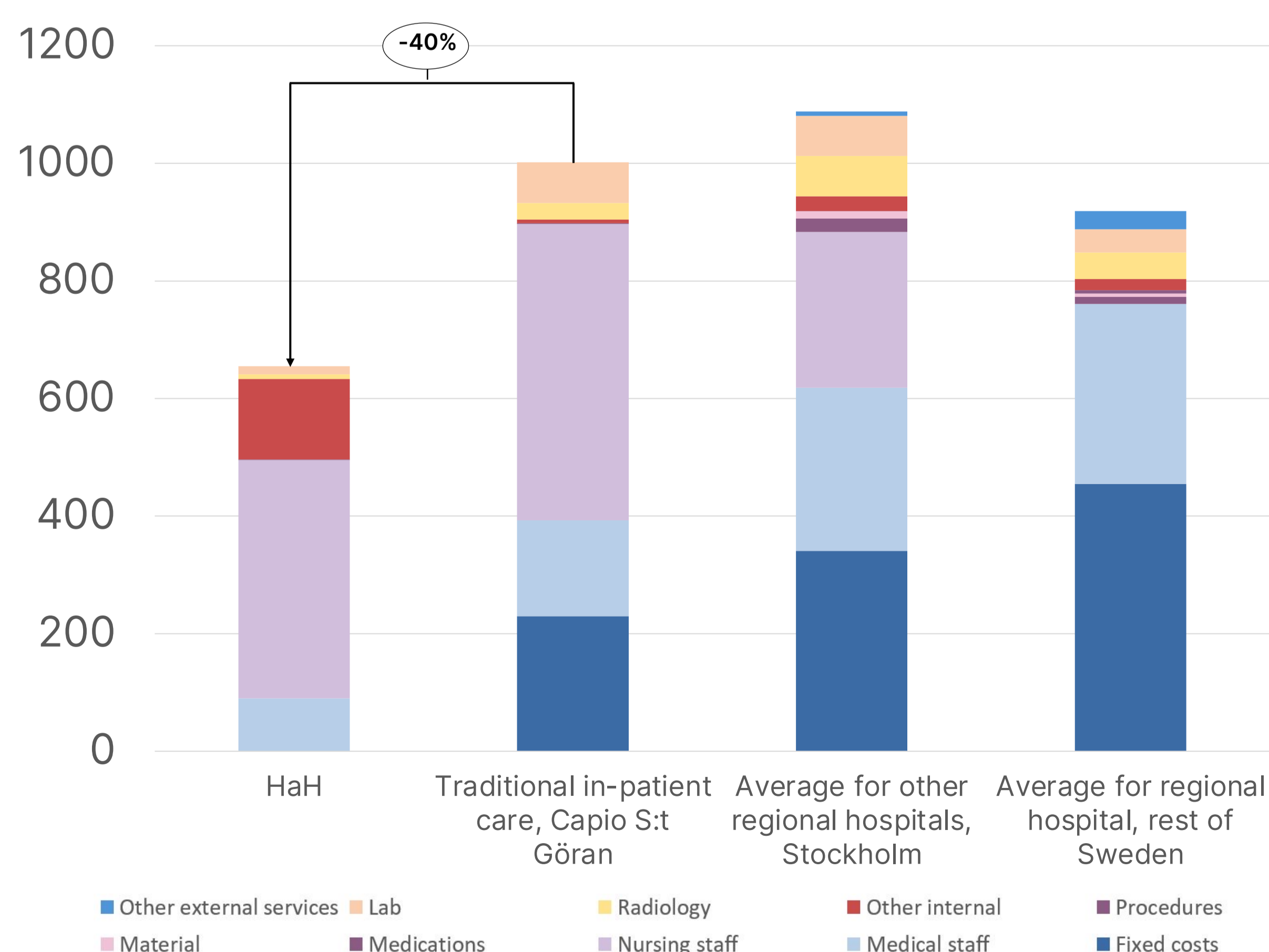


Main Causes of Admission



Cost of Care – HaH vs Traditional Inpatient Care

Cost per patient per day for unspecified pneumonia (ICD J18.9), euro.



Cost analysis based on national registry data with detailed per-patient costs and the following assumptions:

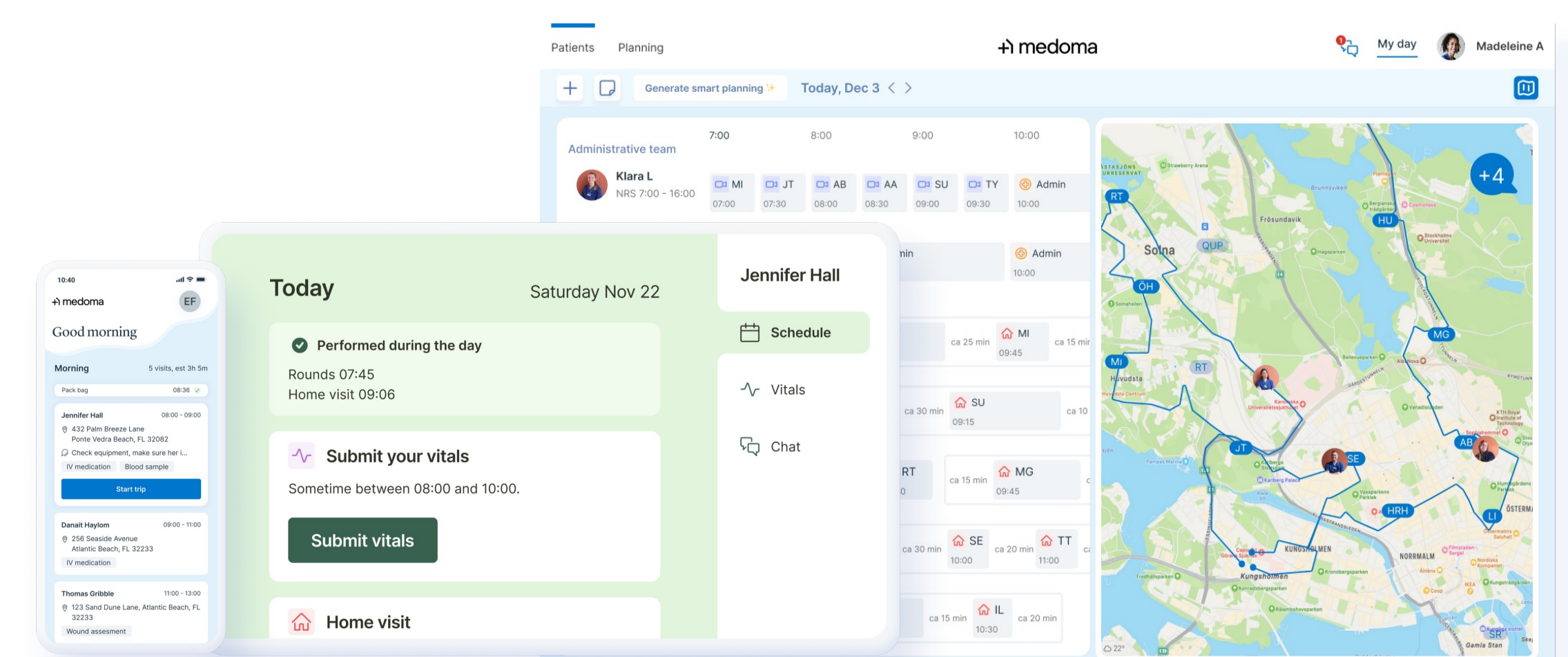
1. Increased internal costs by €130 per patient for HaH due to technology and logistics-related expenses.
2. Reduced lab and medical imaging costs for HaH by 72–80%, based on Levine et al., 2020.
3. Lower staffing costs, as estimated by Medoma, assuming full occupancy.

Conclusions

- **Early discharge HaH offers a resource-efficient and high-quality alternative to traditional inpatient care.**
- Effective implementation requires **continuously optimized workflows**, achieved through **iterative refinement of care routines** and a **smart orchestration platform that enables planning, route optimization, and capacity forecasting.**
- One of the greatest challenges remains **patient recruitment**—ensuring the **right patients are identified and included at the right time.**

Planned Future Research

- Matched case-control study comparing HaH to traditional inpatient care for a more detailed evaluation of clinical and resource outcomes.
- Development of a predictive model for resource utilization based on individual patient characteristics, aiming to optimize HaH care planning and enhance capacity forecasting.



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