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**BREAKING DOWN WICKED PROBLEMS – THE DRIVER DIAGRAM**

With DOUG CAMPBELL



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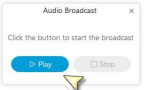
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
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**TREATY 6 TERRITORY & HOMELAND OF THE METIS**

HQC is situated on Treaty 6 Territory and the Traditional Land of the Dakota, Lakota and Nakota, and is the Homeland of the Métis.

We pay respect to the treaties that were made on this land and acknowledge the harms and mistakes of the past. We are committed to move forward in partnership with Indigenous Nations in the spirit of reconciliation and collaboration.



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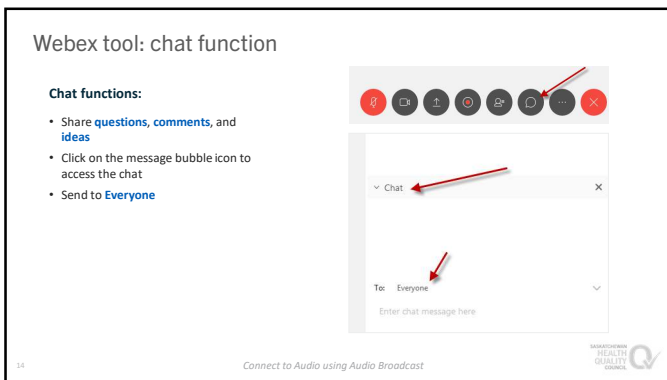
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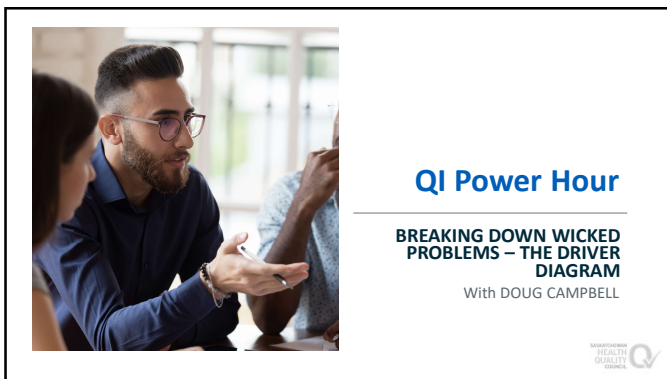
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**Breaking Down Wicked Problems**  
The Driver Diagram

Our People

Connected Care

Information and Infrastructure

Saskatchewan Health Authority

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**SHA Treaty and Land Acknowledgement**  
**Honouring Relationships with Indigenous People**

We would like to acknowledge that we are gathering on Treaty 2, 4, 5, 6, 8, and 10 territory and the Homeland of the Métis.

Recognizing this history is important to our future and our efforts to close the gap in health outcomes between Indigenous and non-Indigenous peoples.

I pay my respects to the traditional caretakers of this land.

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**Treaty Territories and Saskatchewan Health Authority Areas**

Depictions of Treaty boundaries are subject to variation. These boundaries are usually not surveyed and are estimated based on written descriptions.

This map displays the Pre-1975 Treaties (Historic Treaties) in colour, as provided by Crown-Indigenous Relations and Northern Affairs Canada. The grey lines indicate alternate boundaries compiled from various sources.

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**Strategy and Innovation**  
**Who Are We?**

Saskatchewan Health Authority

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**VISION**  
Healthy People, Healthy Saskatchewan

**MISSION**  
We work together to improve health and well-being. Every day. For everyone.

**VALUES**  
**SAFETY: Be aware.** Commit to physical, psychological, social, cultural and environmental safety. Every day. For everyone.  
**ACCOUNTABILITY: Be responsible.** Own each action and decision. Be transparent and have courage to speak up.  
**RESPECT: Be kind.** Honour diversity with dignity and empathy. Value each person as an individual.  
**COLLABORATION: Be better together.** Include and acknowledge the contributions of employees, physicians, patients, families and partners.  
**COMPASSION: Be caring.** Practice empathy. Listen actively to understand each other's experiences.  
**PHILOSOPHY OF CARE:** Our commitment to a philosophy of Patient and Family Centred Care is at the heart of everything we do and provides the foundation of our values.

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- Identify areas for improvement through measurement cascades from system level to the point of care
- Monitor and understand health system performance
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- Apply project management best practices
- Support system leaders with change tools and facilitation expertise

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**Partner**

- Effectively partner with SHA colleagues to lead planning, innovation and transformation
- Connect with researchers to identify emerging practices and opportunities for innovation
- Work collaboratively with health system partners
- Actively seek external partnerships to accelerate health system transformation

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Who Am I?	
<p><b>The Person</b></p> 	<p><b>My Background</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>M.Sc. Biomedical Engineering </li> <li>M.Eng Biomedical Engineering </li> <li>Mini-ATP in Healthcare Delivery </li> <li>Clinical Microsystems Academy </li> <li>Excellence in Healthcare Leadership </li> <li>Mini-MBA in HealthCare  </li> </ul>
<p><b>My Work</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Director, Strategy and Innovation – Performance Measurement</li> </ul> 	<p><b>The Other Stuff</b></p> 

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What is a Wicked Problem?
<p><i>Wicked problems are problems with many interdependent factors making them seem <b>impossible to solve</b>.</i></p> <p><i>Because the factors are often incomplete, in flux, and difficult to define, solving wicked problems requires a deep understanding of the stakeholders involved, and an <b>innovative approach provided by design thinking</b>.</i></p> <p>Source: <a href="https://www.interaction-design.org/literature/topics/wicked-problems">https://www.interaction-design.org/literature/topics/wicked-problems</a></p> 

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**Characteristics of Wicked Problems**

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6. Are socially complex
7. **Hardly ever sit conveniently within the responsibility of any one organization**

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**Wicked Problems in Health-Care**

Using the chat, share with the group what wicked problems you've seen or experienced.



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**Driver Diagrams**  
**The Basics**



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### Driver Diagram: What is it?

- A tool for **organizing** and **displaying** our theory for improvement in a project
- Illustrates what is required to **change our system**
- A driver diagram is a **picture** of the **logic** of your project plan
- It makes explicit the relationships between what you want to **accomplish** and what you believe will have the **greatest impact** on how you get there



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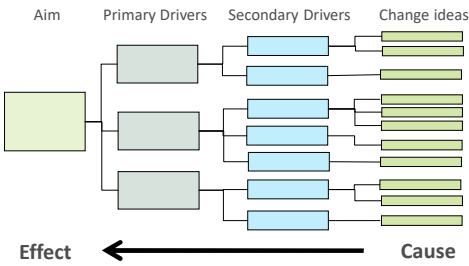
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### Driver Diagram: What does it look like?



Aim    Primary Drivers    Secondary Drivers    Change ideas

Effect ← Cause



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### Driver Diagram: AIM

**Aim**

Reduction of Long Wait Times in the Emergency Department

**Determining the Aim:**

- What is it you're trying to achieve?
- What is the impact you intend to have?
- What is the big problem we need to address?



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### Developing the Drivers

- Literature reviews
- Content experts
- Brainstorming
- Affinity diagram exercises
- Leveraging work of other teams



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### Driver Diagram: Primary Drivers


**Aim**

Reduction of Long Wait Times in the Emergency Department

**Primary Drivers**

- Hospital Occupancy
- High Volumes Presenting to ED
- Operational Efficiencies in the ED

- The **main** factors believed to have a **direct impact** on the aim.
- Key leverage points



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### Driver Diagram: Secondary Drivers

**Aim**

Reduction of Long Wait Times in the Emergency Department

<b>Primary Drivers</b>	<b>Secondary Drivers</b>
Hospital Occupancy	Length of Stay
	# of Admissions
High Volumes Presenting to ED	Access to Primary Care Services
	Access to consultants
	Access to Diagnostics
Operational Efficiencies in the ED	Models of Care
	Human/Health Resources

- What we need to address **locally** to achieve success with the primary drivers
- The **main processes** we'll seek to improve



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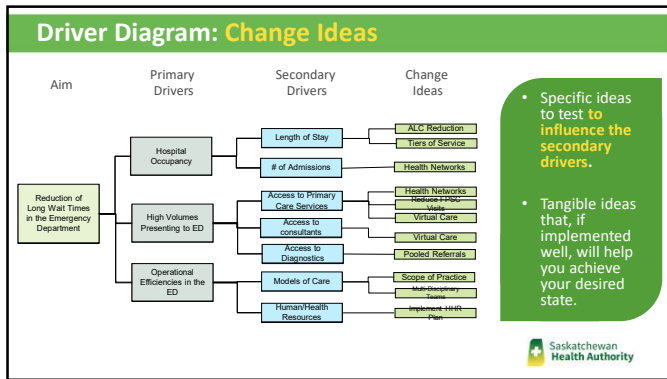
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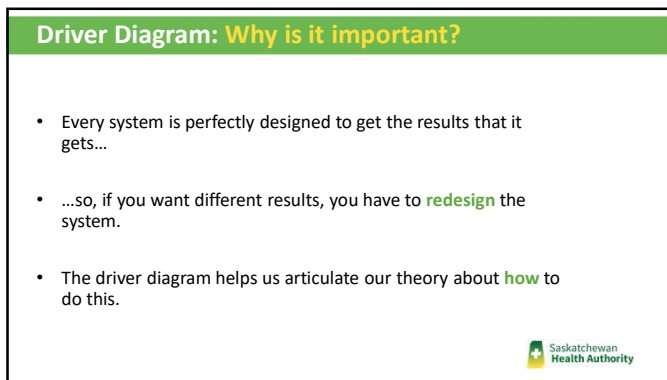
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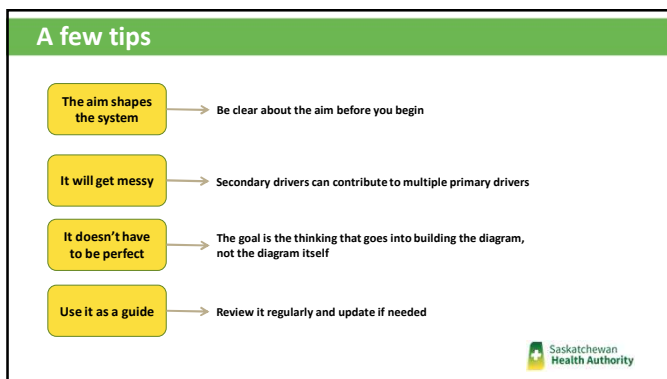
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# Measuring Success

## Connecting Driver Diagrams and Measurement



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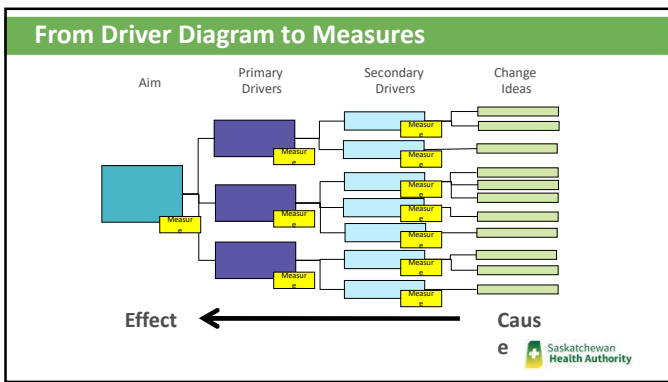
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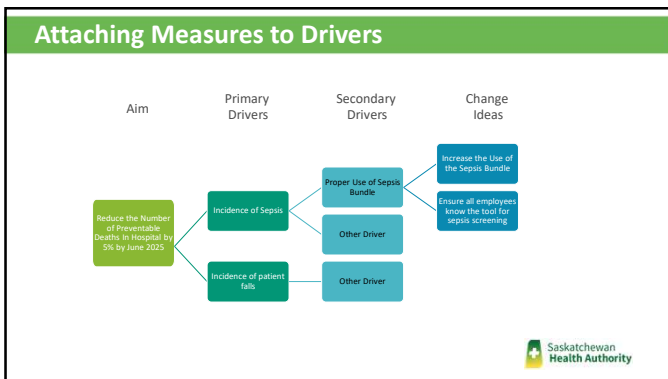
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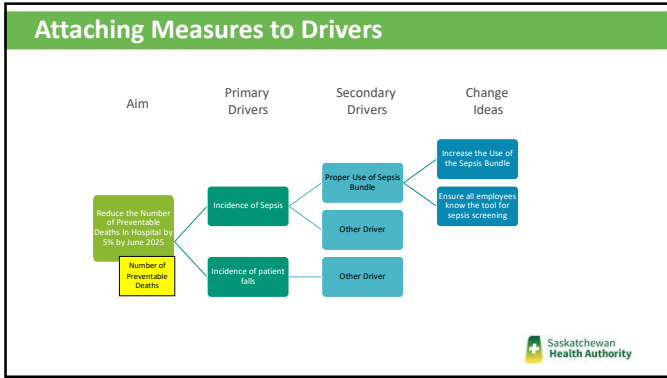
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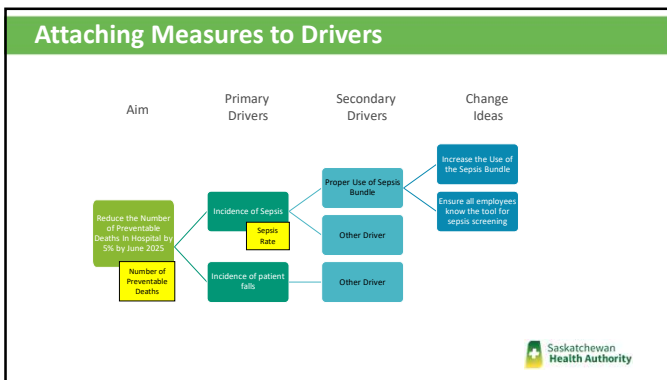
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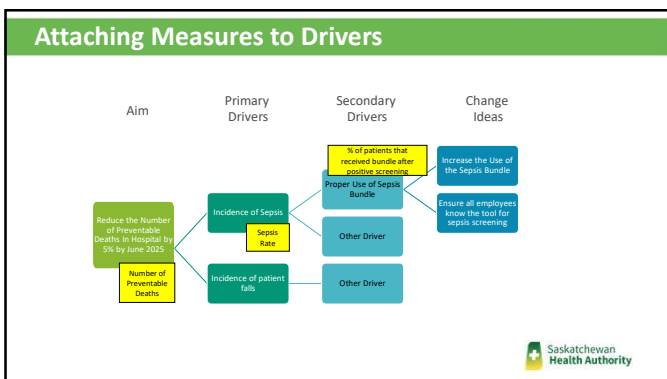
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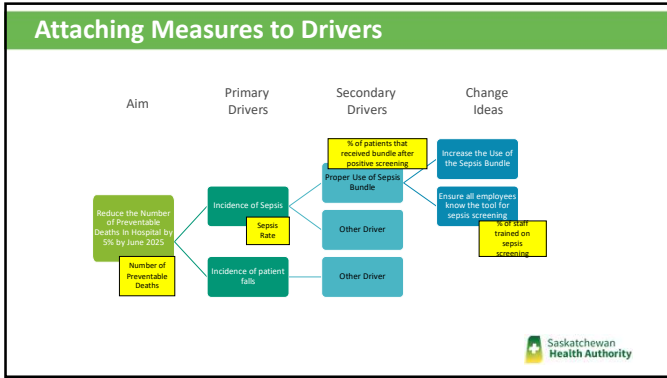
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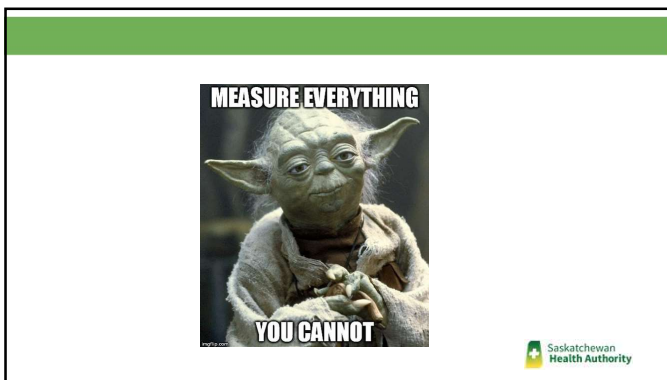
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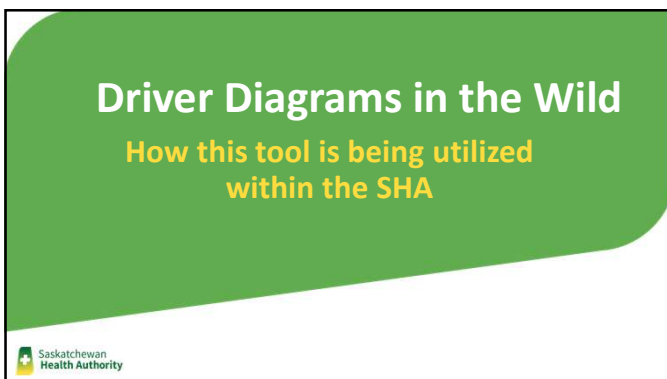
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## GOAL 2 – CONNECTED CARE


**Priority:** Reduce Surgical Wait Times

- Sponsors: Sharon Garratt and Dr. Stephanie Young
- Leads: Cindy Graham, Gayle Riendeau, and Shawn Phaneuf

**To be achieved by March 31, 2023:**

- Reduce surgical wait times by completing 97,000 surgeries
- No one waiting more than 24 months; 90 per cent of surgical patients receive first offer within 12 months and 90 per cent of urgent cancer surgery patients receive a first offer of surgery within three weeks
- Plans for expansion of provincial surgery services program to 103,000 procedures in 2023-24 completed
- Third party providers will be maximized/optimized to provide appropriate surgeries
- Provincial orthopedic model line is implemented with plans developed to spread the model line to another service line





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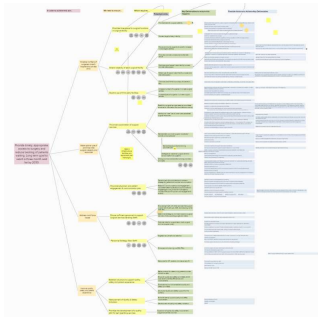
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## The Surgical Executive Committee Driver Diagram





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## Actioning the Driver Diagram


- ➔ Prioritize needs for surgical patients
- ➔ Streamline design of care in facility
- ➔ Increase opportunities, capacity to care for increase in discharged patients
- ➔ Maximize complete procedures for alternate services
- ➔ Optimize use of space in each facility (urgent and elective services)
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- ➔ Optimize use of time through steps of expansion etc.
- ➔ Increase numbers of surgeons to provide surgical services
- ➔ Increase levels of expertise to provide surgical services
- ➔ Establish a surgical planning steering committee structure for information flow and decision making
- ➔ Identify and make use of unutilized provincial surgical resources

**List of Initiatives**


Immediate Q3/Q4 2020/21




Longer Term



**Rank Immediate Initiatives**



**Rank Longer Term Initiatives**



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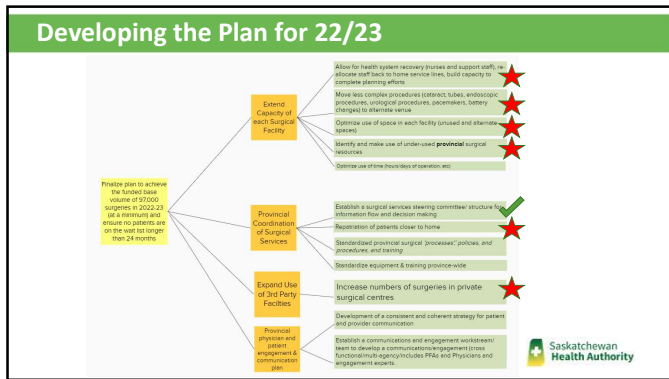
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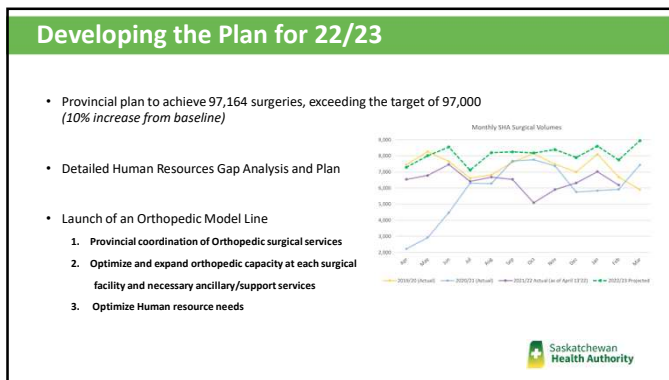
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### Questions?

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