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Medical Director's Update for Base Station Physicians' Committee October, 2013

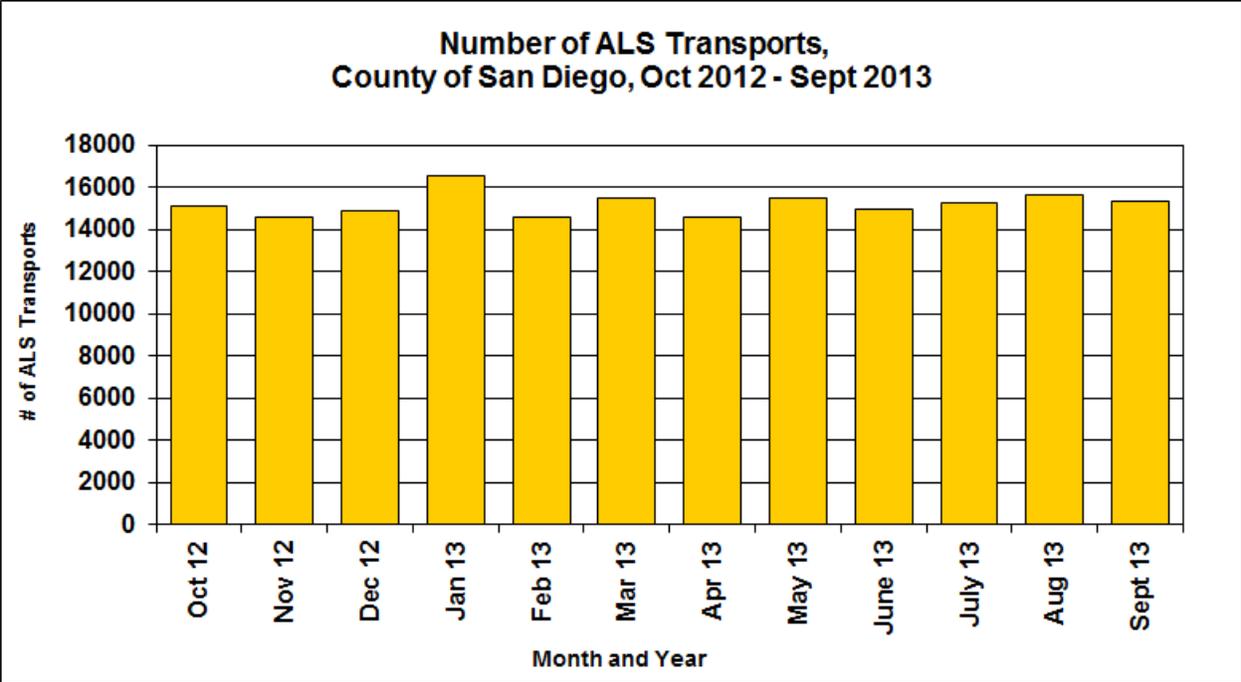
We have a new air ambulance service in the county. Reach Air was granted a permit and began service on October 1, 2013. Reach is based in Northern California, but serves several other areas in Southern California. County EMS is required to establish an aeromedical dispatch agency when there is more than one air ambulance in the county. AMR is serving in this role. Calls for an air ambulance will go to the field providers dispatch and then go to AMR for assignment of the air ambulance, based on which is closest to the scene. Reach is stationed at the Oceanside airport, while Mercy Air is stationed at Palomar airport and Gillespie Field. Mercy maintains its Rady Children's unit for interfacility transfers.

Temecula Valley Hospital is a new Riverside County facility just off the 15 freeway. The hospital opened Monday October 14, 2013. The Temecula hospital is "stroke ready" to administer tPA, although will not go through Joint Commission stroke designation until they build data. They plan on having STEMI capability on November 1. The hospital does not have labor and delivery services or in-patient pediatrics. Patients may request Temecula, but other patients in San Diego County will go to Fallbrook Hospital.

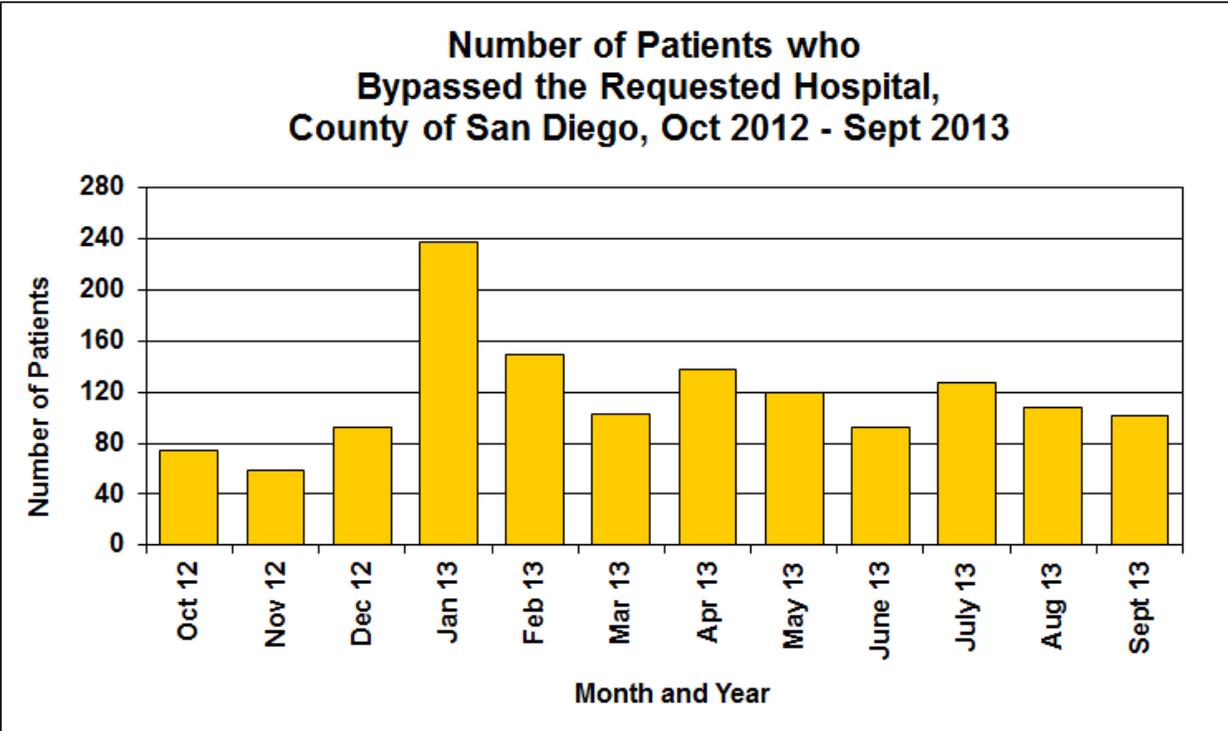
The flu season is approaching. We strongly encourage all health care personnel to get vaccinated. This may help you in avoiding influenza and being unable to work, and/or keep your family from becoming ill with influenza. Also, our patients, especially high risk such as the elderly are less likely to become ill with flu if healthcare providers are vaccinated. Consider wearing a mask if you are not vaccinated.

The 2013 Day of Trauma is November 1, 2013. This year's theme is "Trauma Myth Busters." It should be a great day examining what we do.

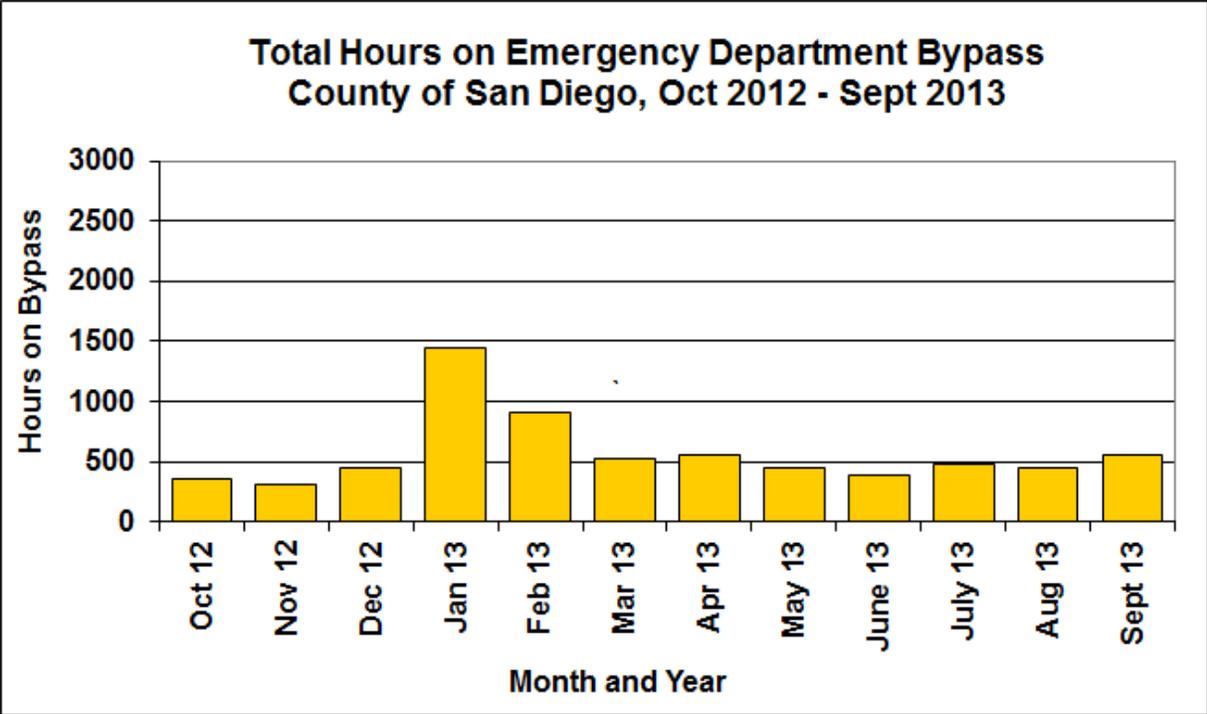
Trauma resource designation is a physician order. It is alright to state your belief the patient is a resource, but a full report must be given to convey the necessary information to the base physician.



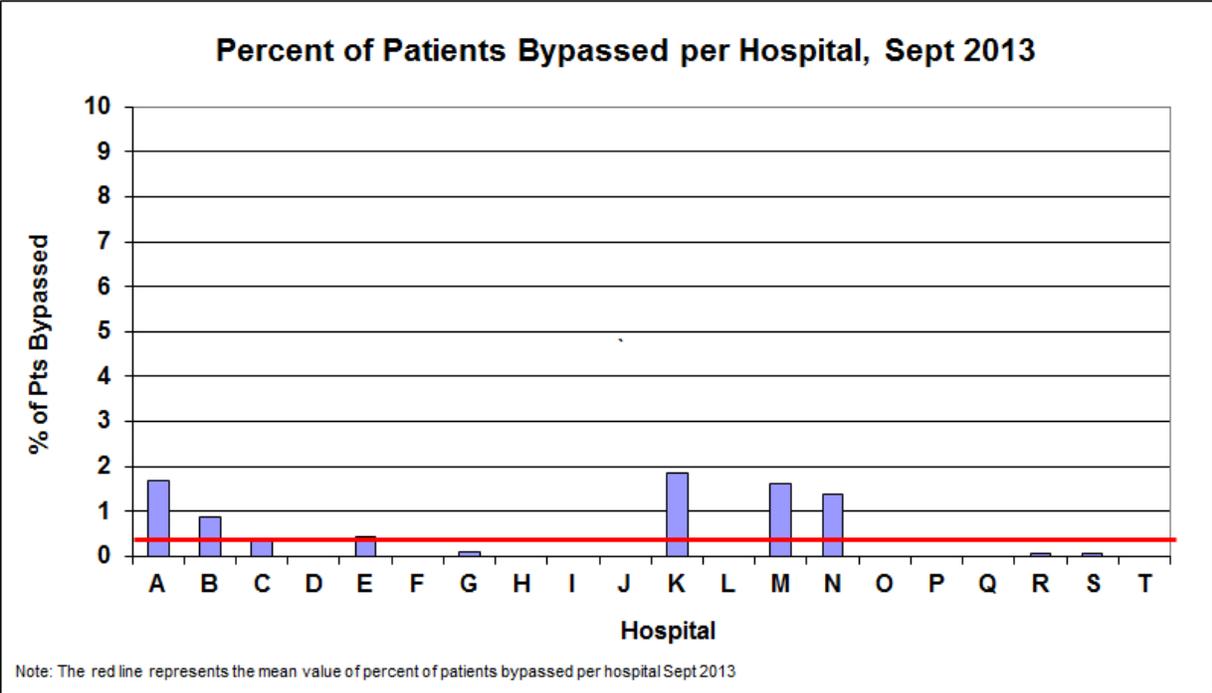
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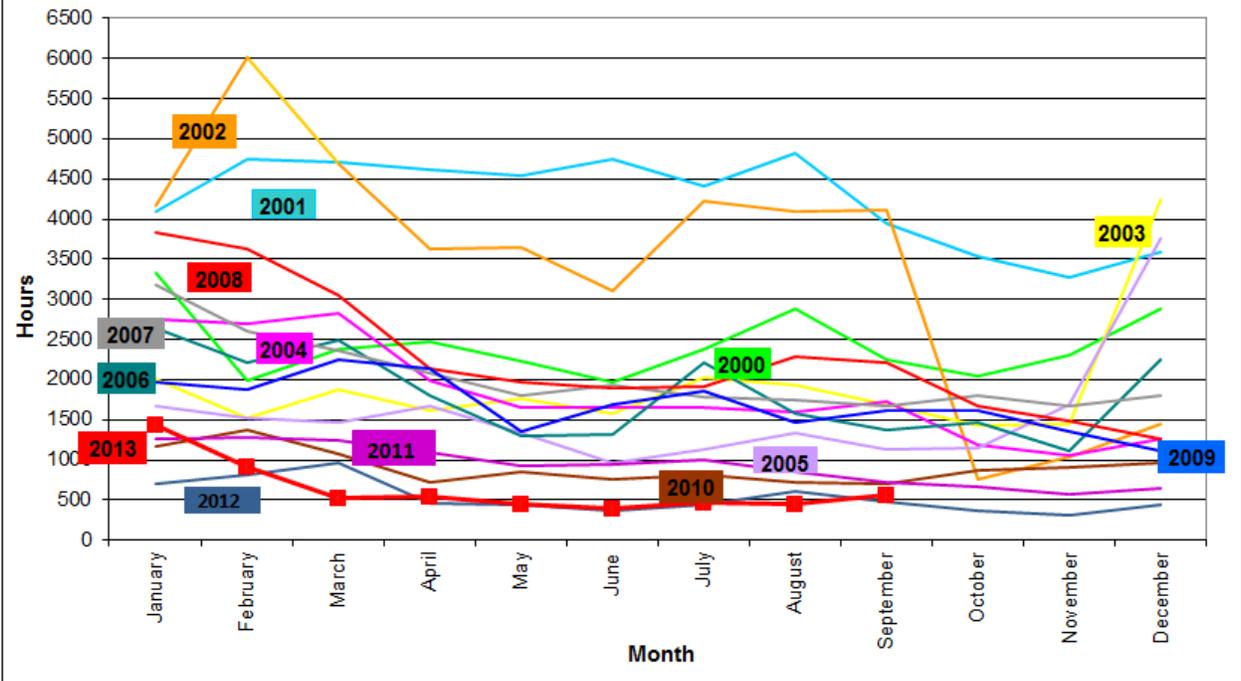


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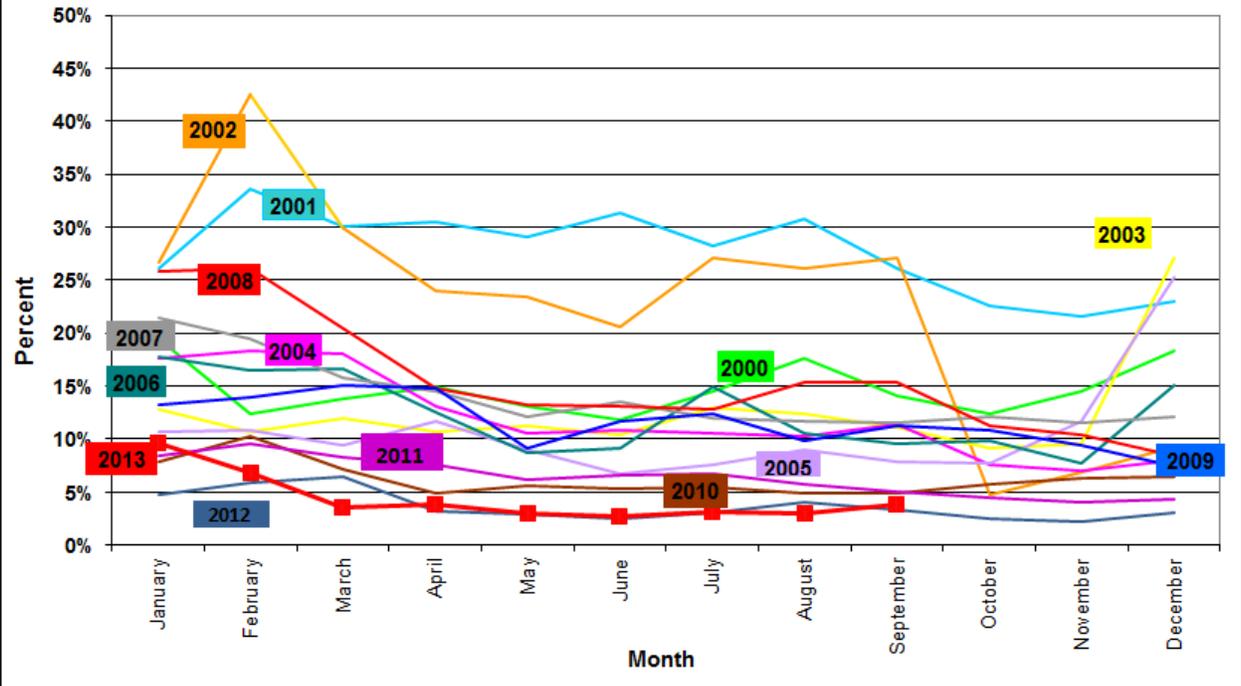
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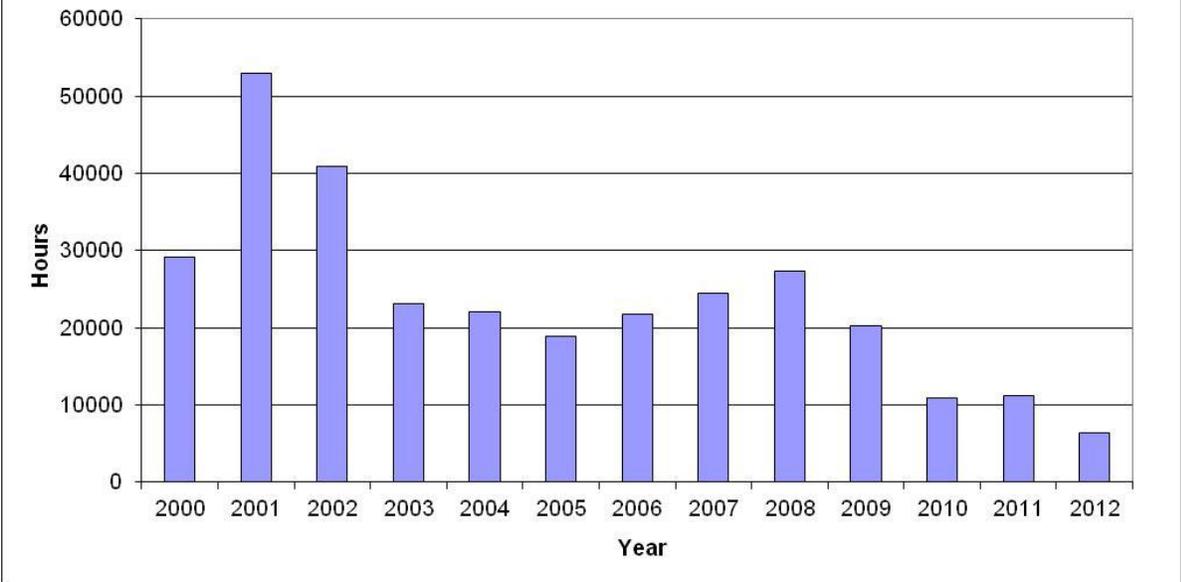
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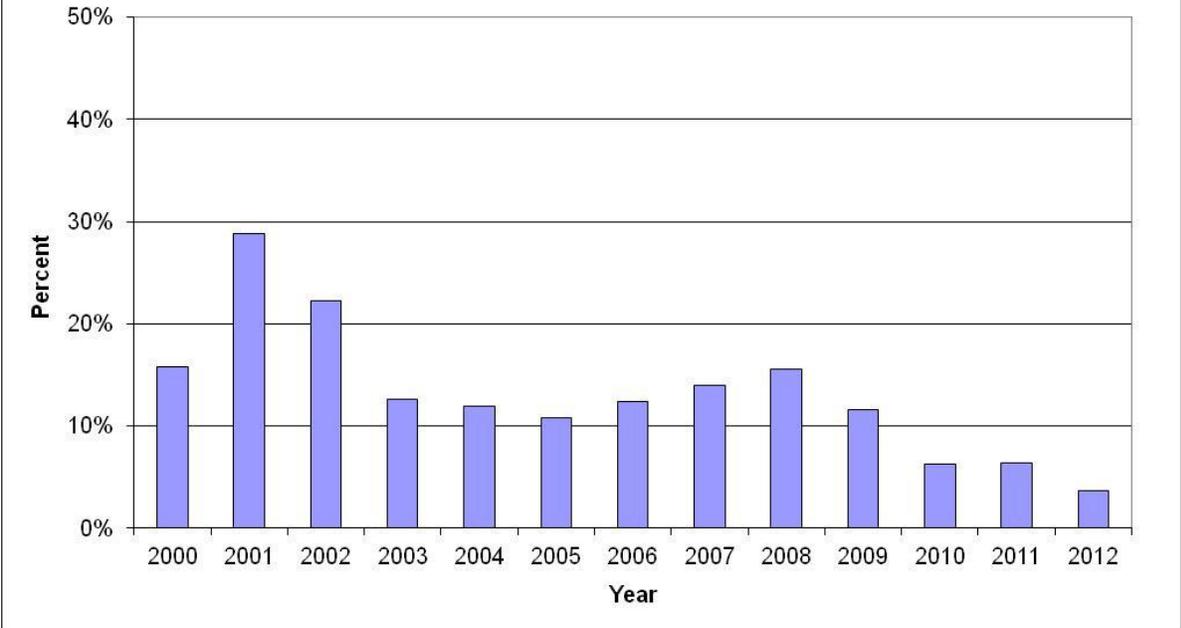
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