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A hip fracture is a break at the top of the thigh bone (femur), near the pelvis. Estimated number of patients aged 50+ that are hospitalised for hip fracture each year:

19 000 Australia 3500 New Zealand



Hip fractures are expected to increase



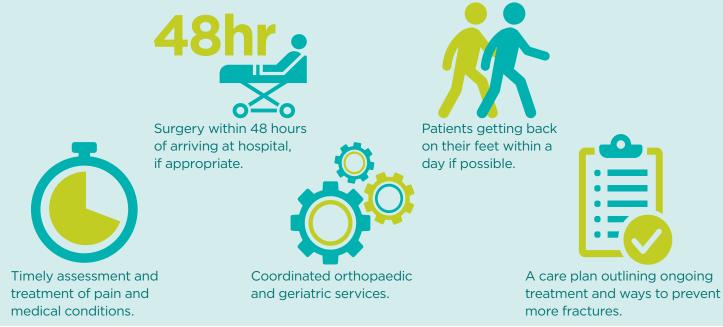
Most hip fractures occur in people aged over 65. This will increase with an ageing population. Despite well-developed treatment guidelines, there is much variation in care.





Right care, right time, right place

The Hip Fracture Care Clinical Care Standard relates to the care that patients with a suspected hip fracture should be offered from presentation to hospital through to completion of treatment in hospital. This care should involve:





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