



THE CENTER FOR  
CANCER CARE  
AT EXETER HOSPITAL

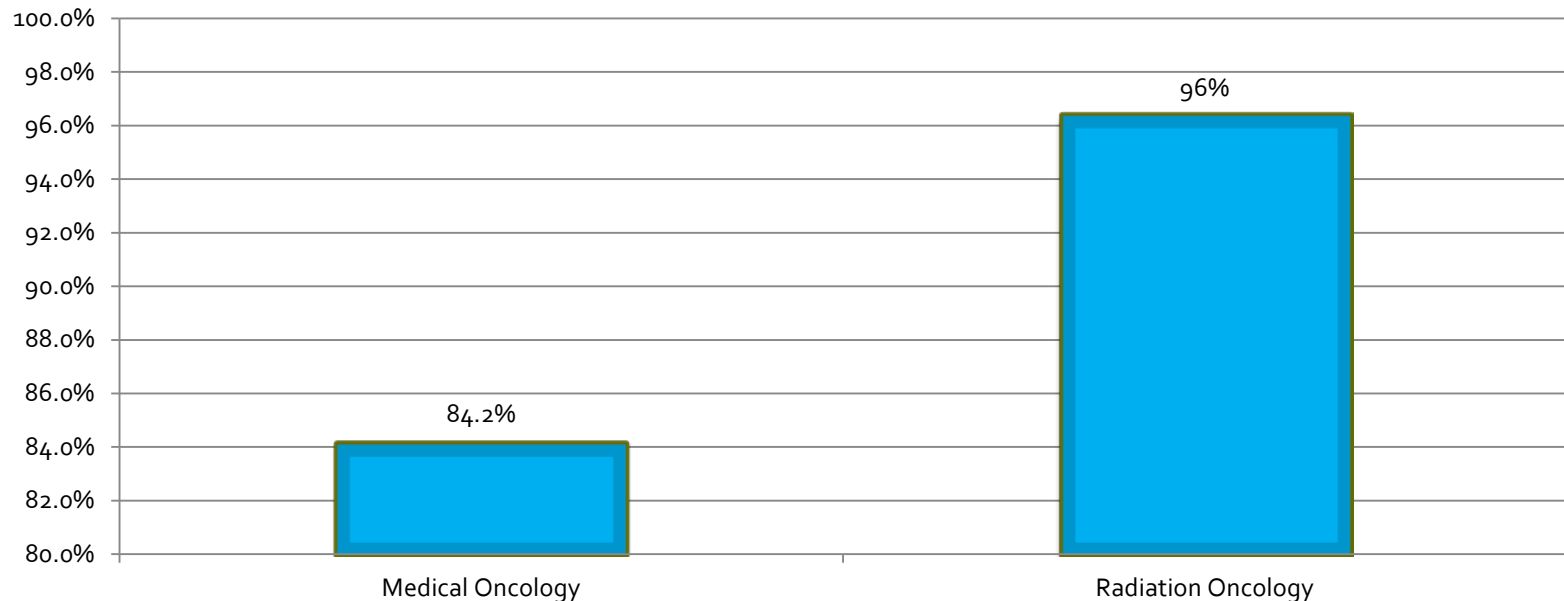
# Facts and Information

Fiscal Years 2017 and 2018

# Patient Experience Scores

Exeter's Center for Cancer Care provides the highest quality, patient centered care. Through a national survey company, we ask patients to tell us how they think we do in providing individualized care.

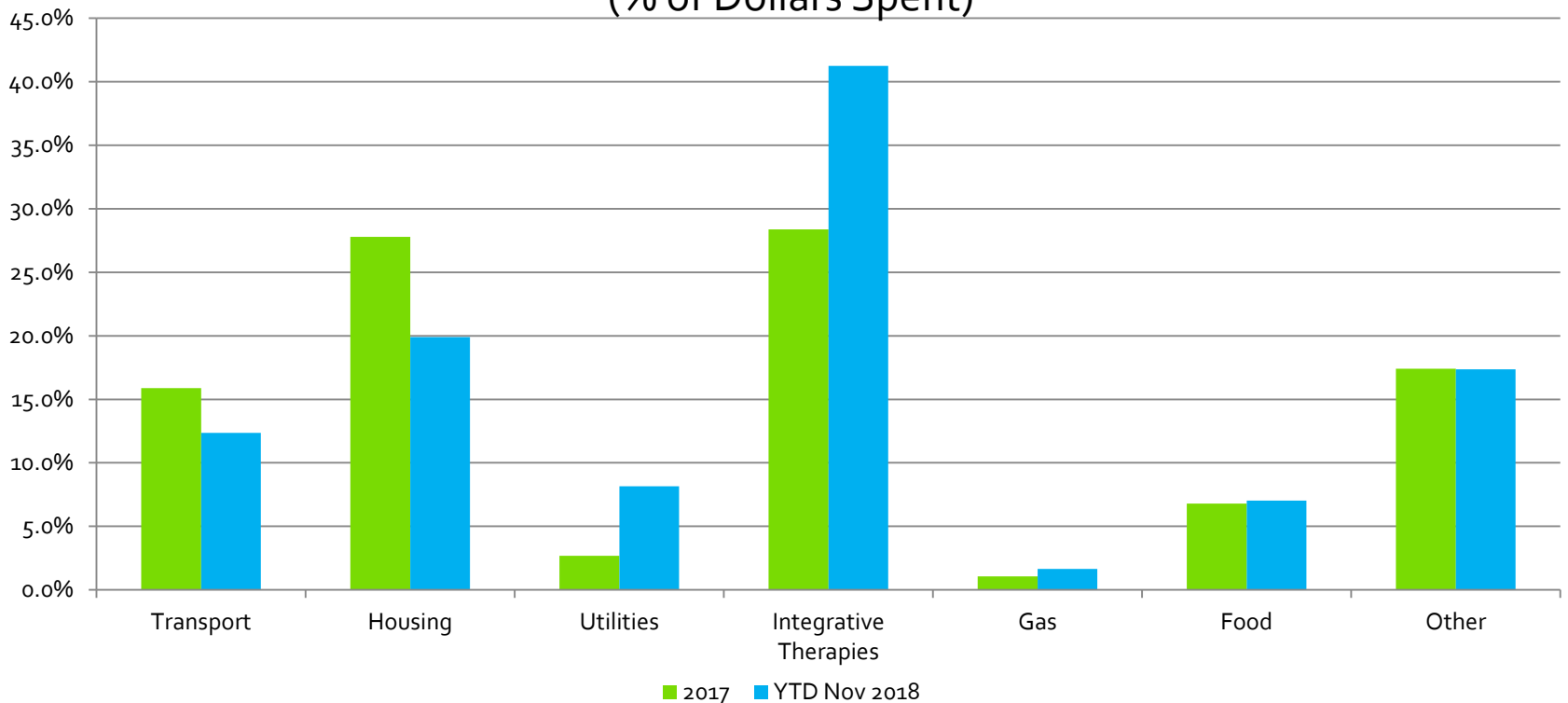
**Percent of Patients Who Rank Exeter's Center for Cancer Care as the Highest Quality**



# Beyond-The-Rainbow Patient Assistance

Through fund raising, Exeter Hospital's *Beyond The Rainbow* fund provides patients in treatment with assistance to help through difficult times. Below is a chart demonstrating how funds are used.

**Beyond The Rainbow Allocation**  
(% of Dollars Spent)



# Lung Cancer Screening Program Volumes

Exeter Hospital screens appropriate patients for lung cancer using low-dose CT Scan technology. Early detection of cancers often produces better outcomes for patients.

## Lung Cancer Screening Program

Since April 2016, 453 patients have been screened

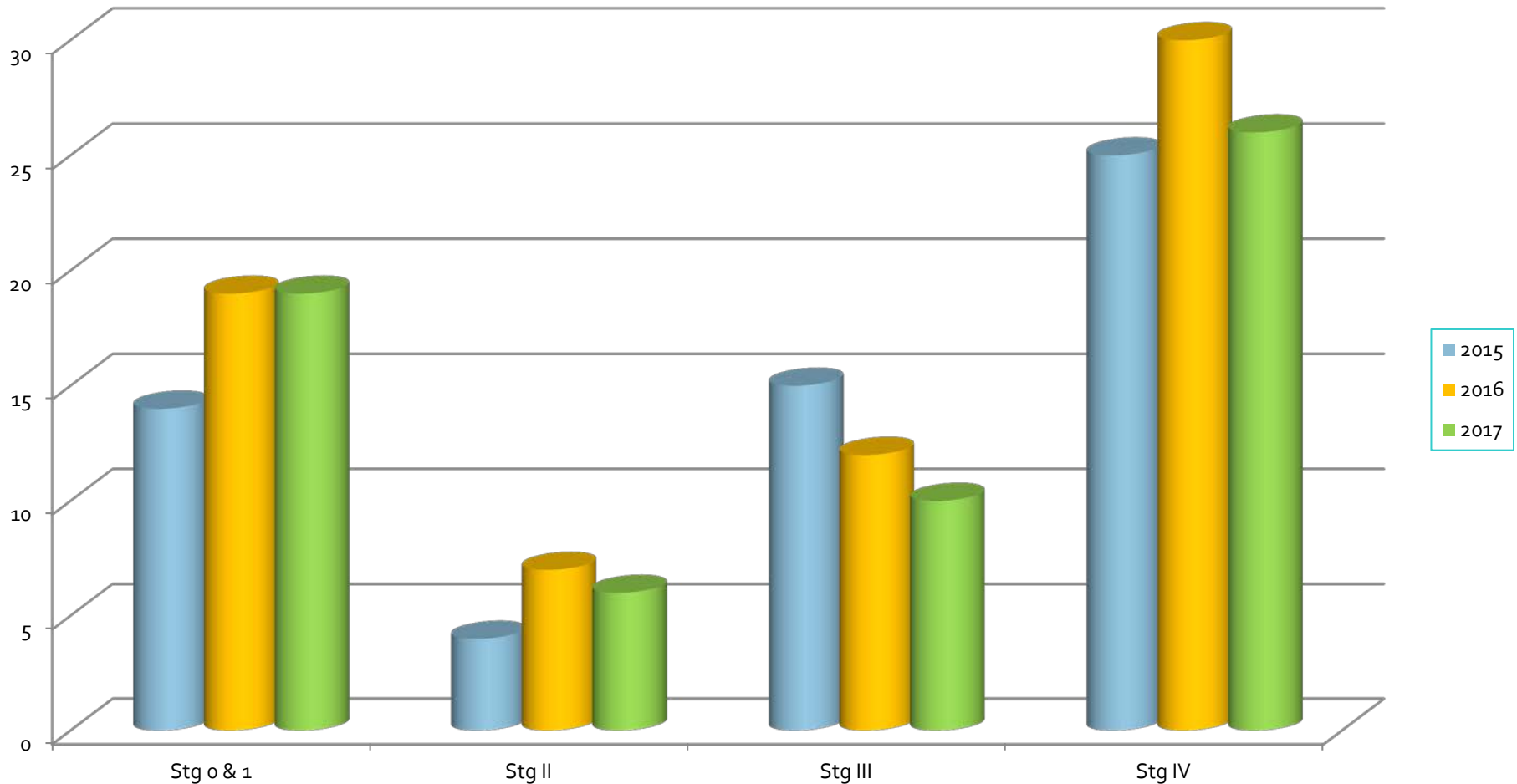
Sixty-four of those patients required follow up due to findings

Ten patients have been diagnosed with cancer from screening

Ask your primary care provider if you should be screened.

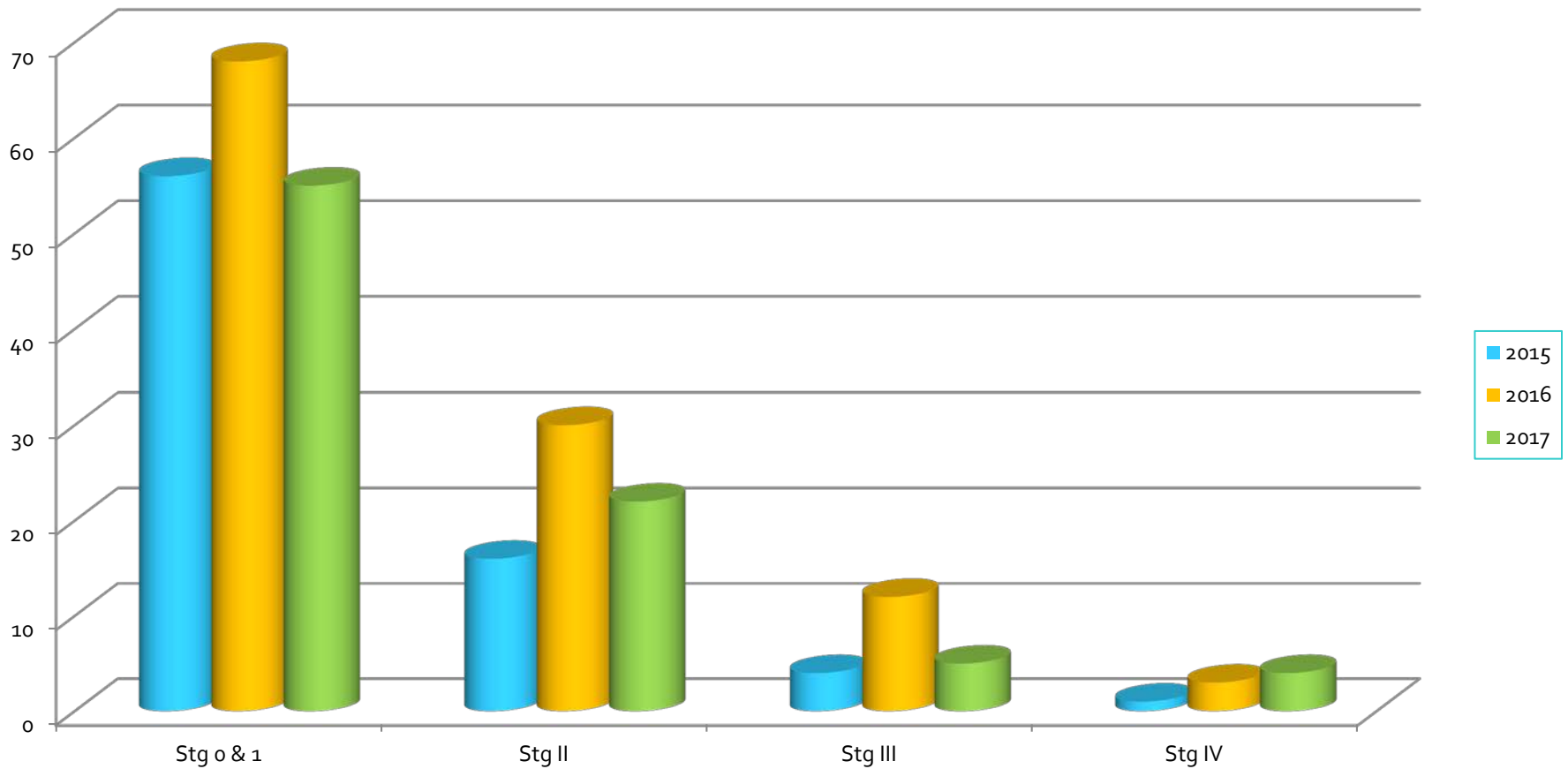
Lung cancer screening helps detect lung cancers early. Below: data on Exeter's lung cancer population and the stage at which the cancer was diagnosed. Early stages (stage 0, 1, 2) typically have better outcomes, once treated.

### Lung Cancer: Stage at Diagnosis



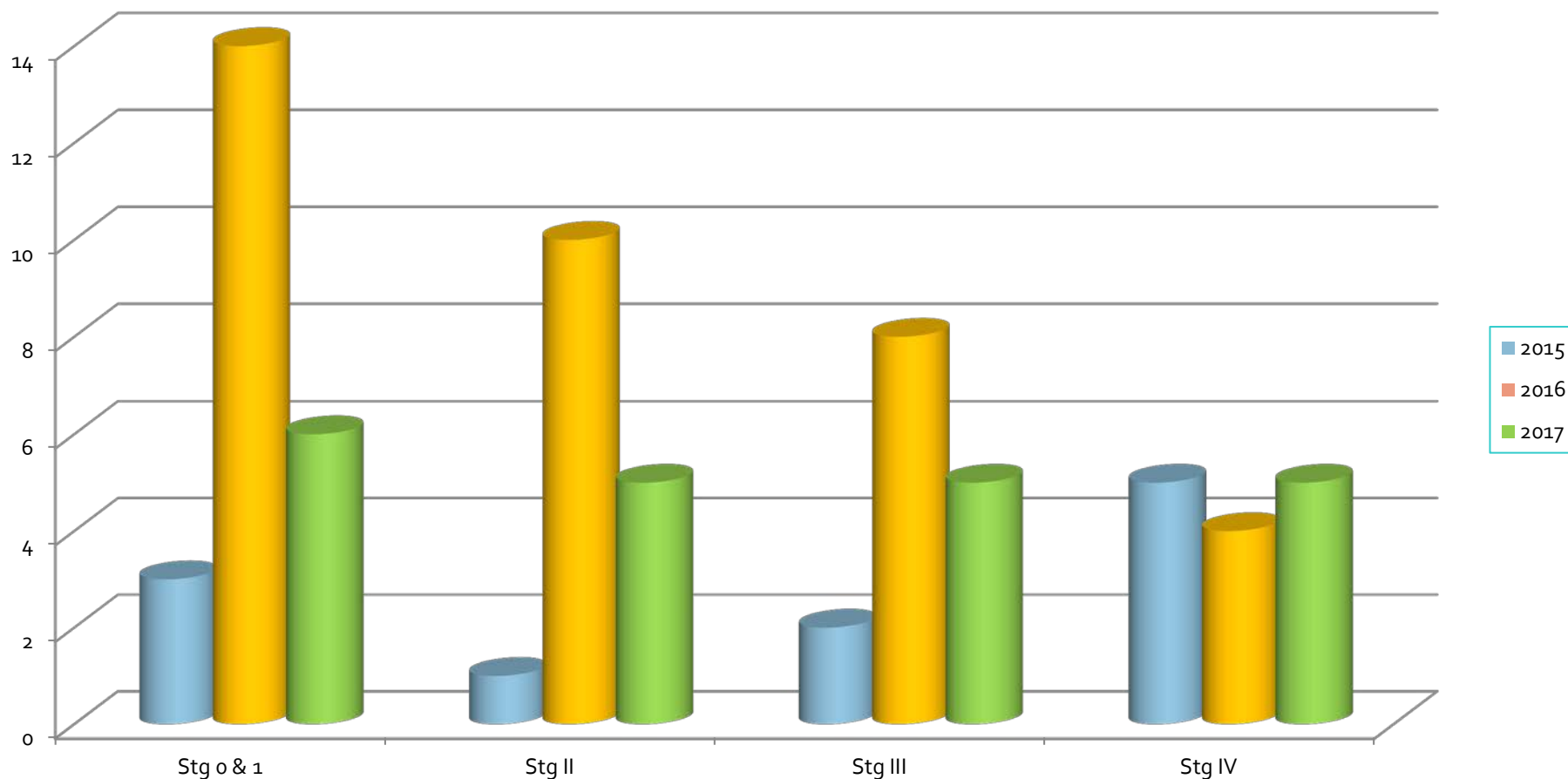
Breast cancer screening helps detect breast cancer early. Below: data on Exeter's breast cancer population and the stage at which the cancer was diagnosed. Early stages (stage 0, 1, 2) typically have better outcomes, once treated.

### Breast Cancer: Stage at Diagnosis



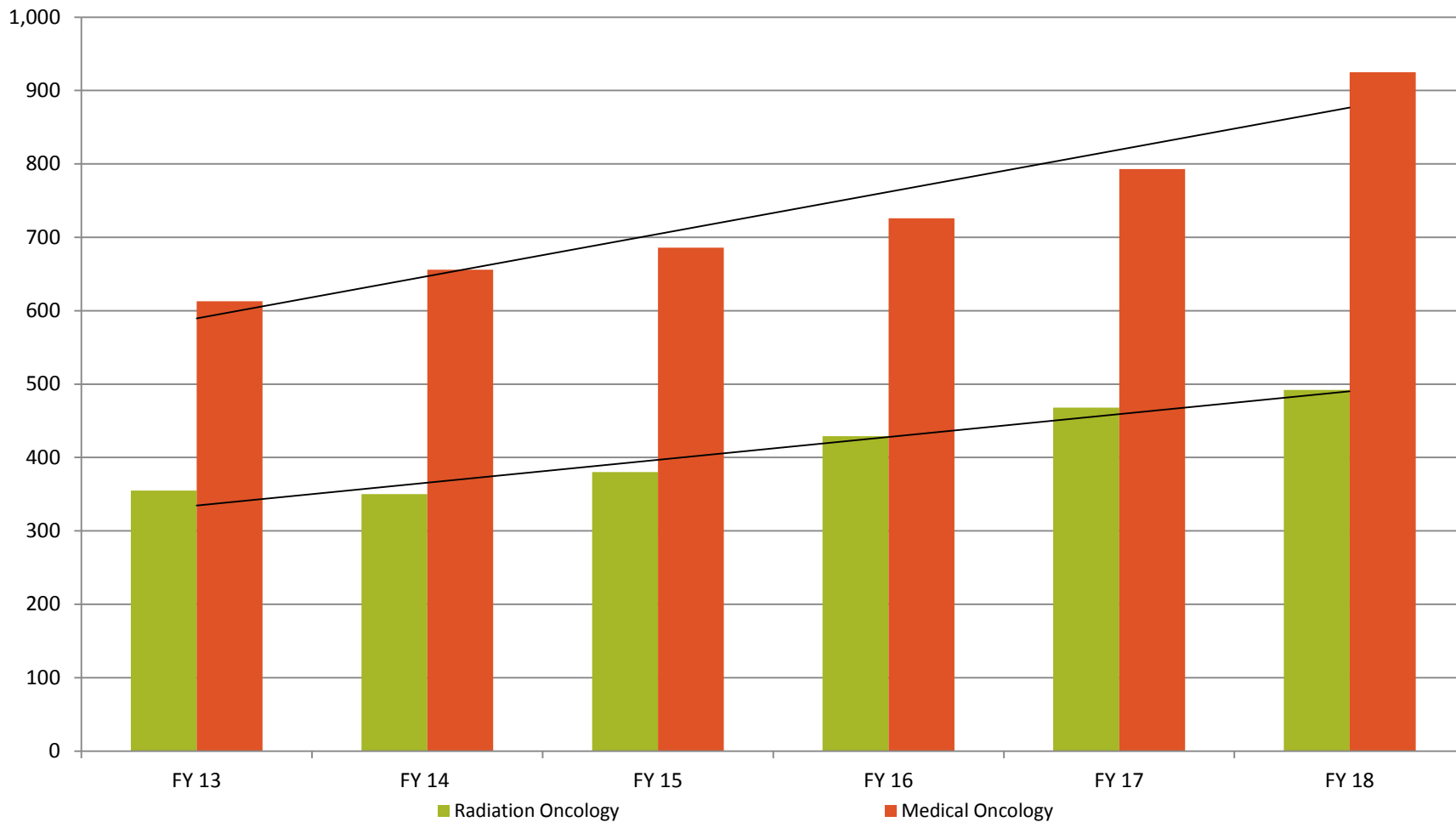
Colon cancer screening helps detect cancers early, and in some cases can remove early stage cancers. Below: data on Exeter's colon cancer population and the stage at which the cancer was diagnosed. Early stages (stage 0, 1, 2) typically have better outcomes, once treated.

### Colon Cancer: Stage at Diagnosis



Exeter's Center for Cancer Care shows continued growth, serving the Seacoast area. Our affiliation with *Massachusetts General Hospital* for Oncology care enables patients to get the highest quality care close to home.

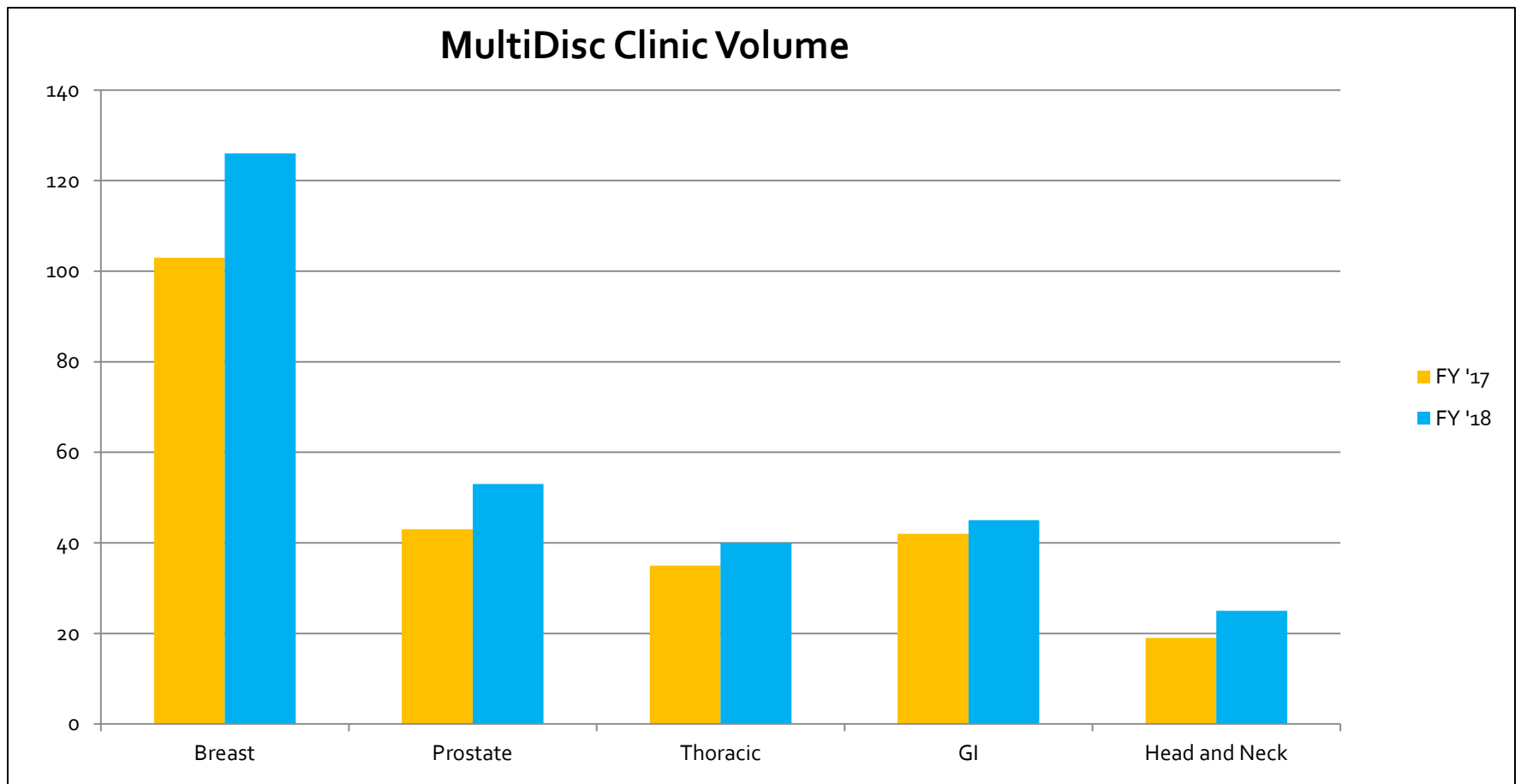
## Oncology New Consults





Multi-disciplinary clinic allows patients to see all of their physicians in one visit. This may include a surgeon, a medical oncologist, and a radiation oncologist.

Patients find this method of clinic convenient and informative. A family member can attend so that all questions are asked at once. A nurse navigator is present to help patients coordinate care before and after multi-disciplinary clinic.



# Quality Study

- In 2018 Radiation Oncology completed a retrospective review of four years' of radiation oncology patients who had a break in treatment of at least three days.
- Findings:
  - 91 patients over four years had a break in treatment of at least three days
  - Reasons for treatment break Our system of tracking track adverse outcomes to include patients who experience a treatment break  $\geq 3$  days, hospitalization either while on treatment of within 2 weeks of treatment, any death during or within 2 weeks of treatment, or weight loss of  $\geq 10\%$  was a helpful QI initiative for a radiation oncology department that has resulted in changes in departmental practice. included at least one of: weight loss, hospitalization, or other reasons.
- Initial findings include advanced age as a risk factor for an adverse outcome.
- Clinical practice has changed to provide additional attention support and attention for elderly patients.

**Quality improvement program in radiation oncology: understanding patient hospitalizations, treatment breaks, and weight loss in patients receiving radiotherapy**

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*Thank you*

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