

International Seminar on Geospatial Modelling and Operations Research in Emergencies

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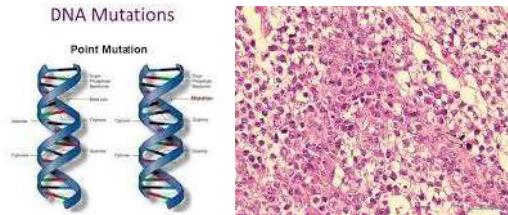


Data is the New Oil of Healthcare and Biomedicine

Data Generation



Harnessing and Using the Data



DNA Mutations
Point Mutation
Disease and Biological Insights



Improve Hospital Efficiencies and Processes



New Tools for Healthcare



Improve Patient Outcomes and Experiences



Lower Healthcare Costs

Geographic Data?...

- “Geographic data” are spatial data that result from observation and measurement of earth phenomena referenced to their locations on the earth’s surface.
- Examples of reference locations: longitude/latitude, street address, G-pins, census tracts, city/county/state borders, zip codes, known neighborhoods, polygons...



What is GIS?...

- **GIS** = *Geographical Information Systems*
- Computer-based systems for the integration and analysis of geographic data.
- May be several usages of the term “GIS”
 - As a technology (GPS, etc.)
 - As a research field
 - As a “community”

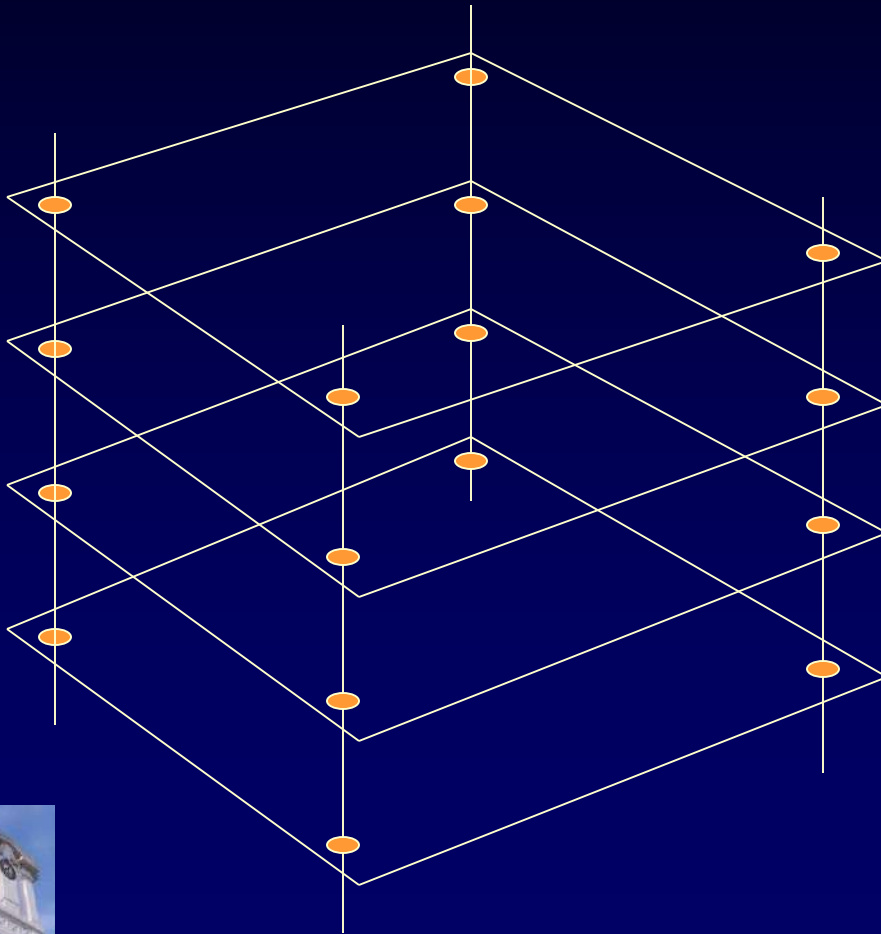


In GIS, Data Layers (or themes)...

- Can be overlapped using a common geographic reference system.

- There is almost no limit to the number and type of layers (themes) which can be spatially represented on maps with data from underlying databases.

- Interesting items can be lead the observer to open the underlying database—even editing the databases if necessary while still in the GIS program.



Examples of Data Themes/Layers

- Streets, alleys
- Lakes, rivers
- City limits, zones
- Railroads
- Parcels of land
- Building footprints
- Events (EMS runs)
- Hospitals, clinics
- Fire, EMS, PD stations
- Demographics
- Elevation, land use
- Crime statistics
- Census tracts, blocks, block groups
- Sets of data by graduated color and symbols, unique values, labels, etc.
- Utilities (pipes, lines, cable, zoning, etc.)

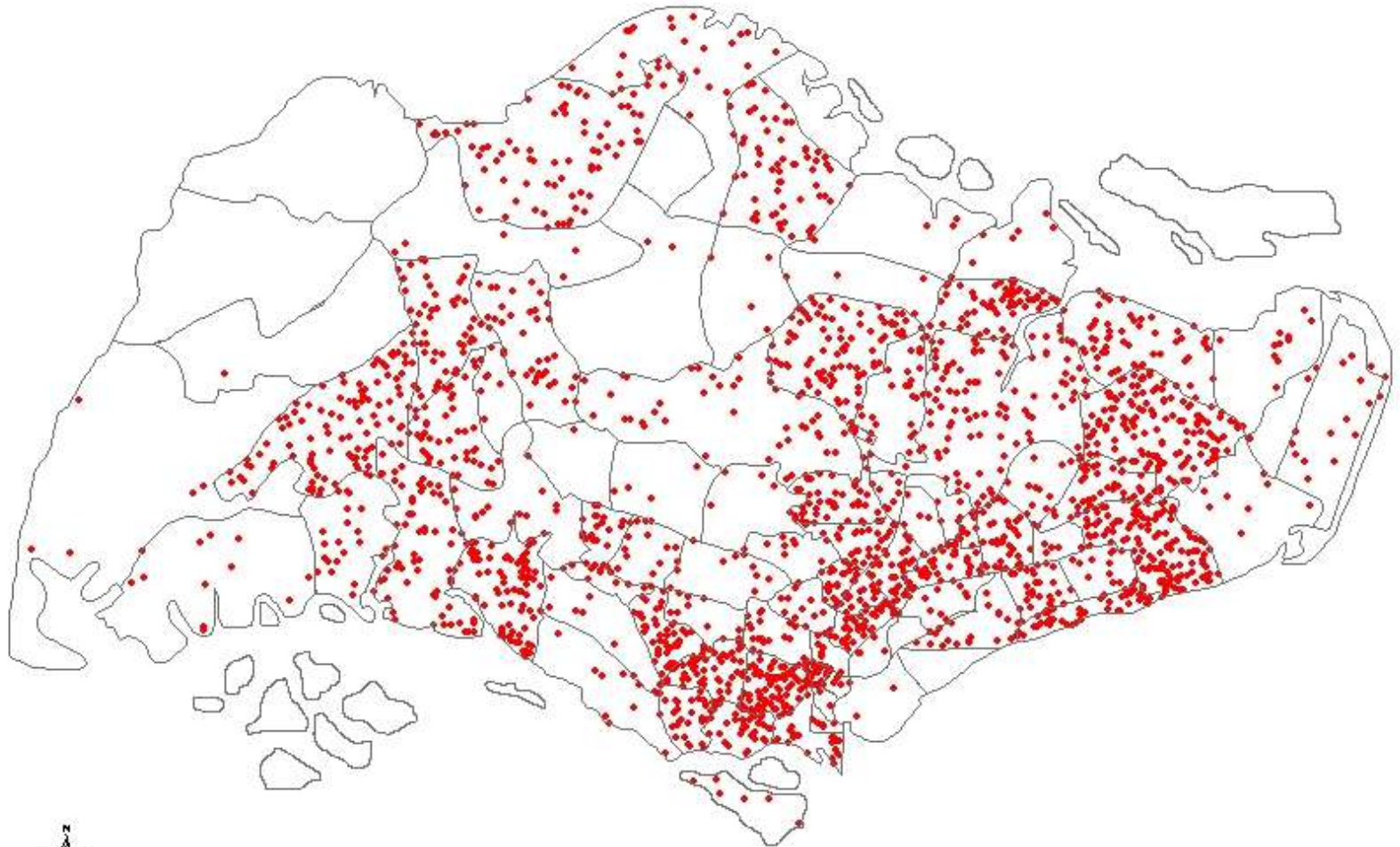


What Advantage Does GIS Offer?

- Visualization—the human eye...
- Somehow it is easier to discern patterns by looking at spatial representations (maps) and graphs rather than columns of figures in tables.
- Large amounts of data can be represented at one time, and in a variety of contexts.

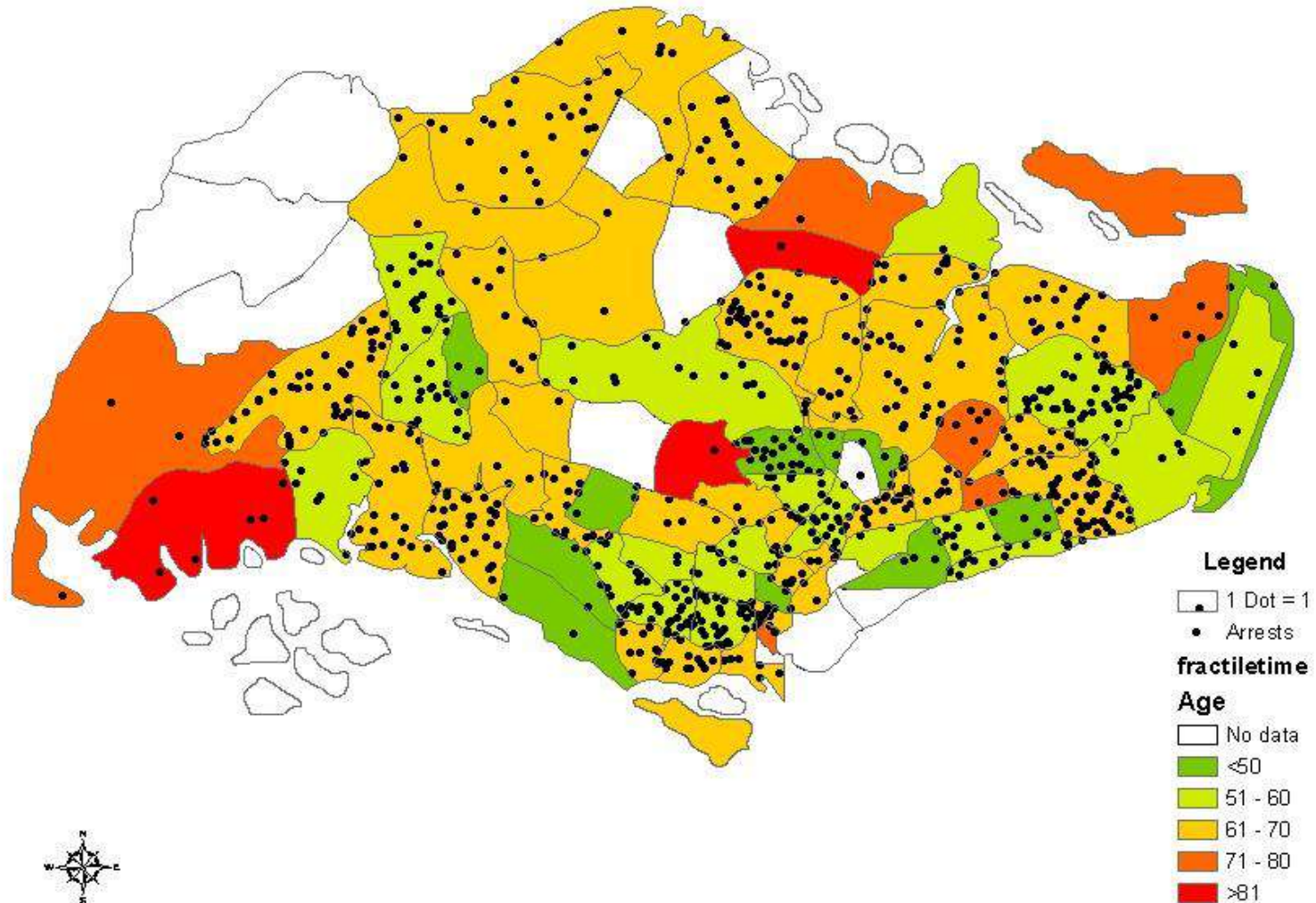


Geographical distribution of cardiac arrests

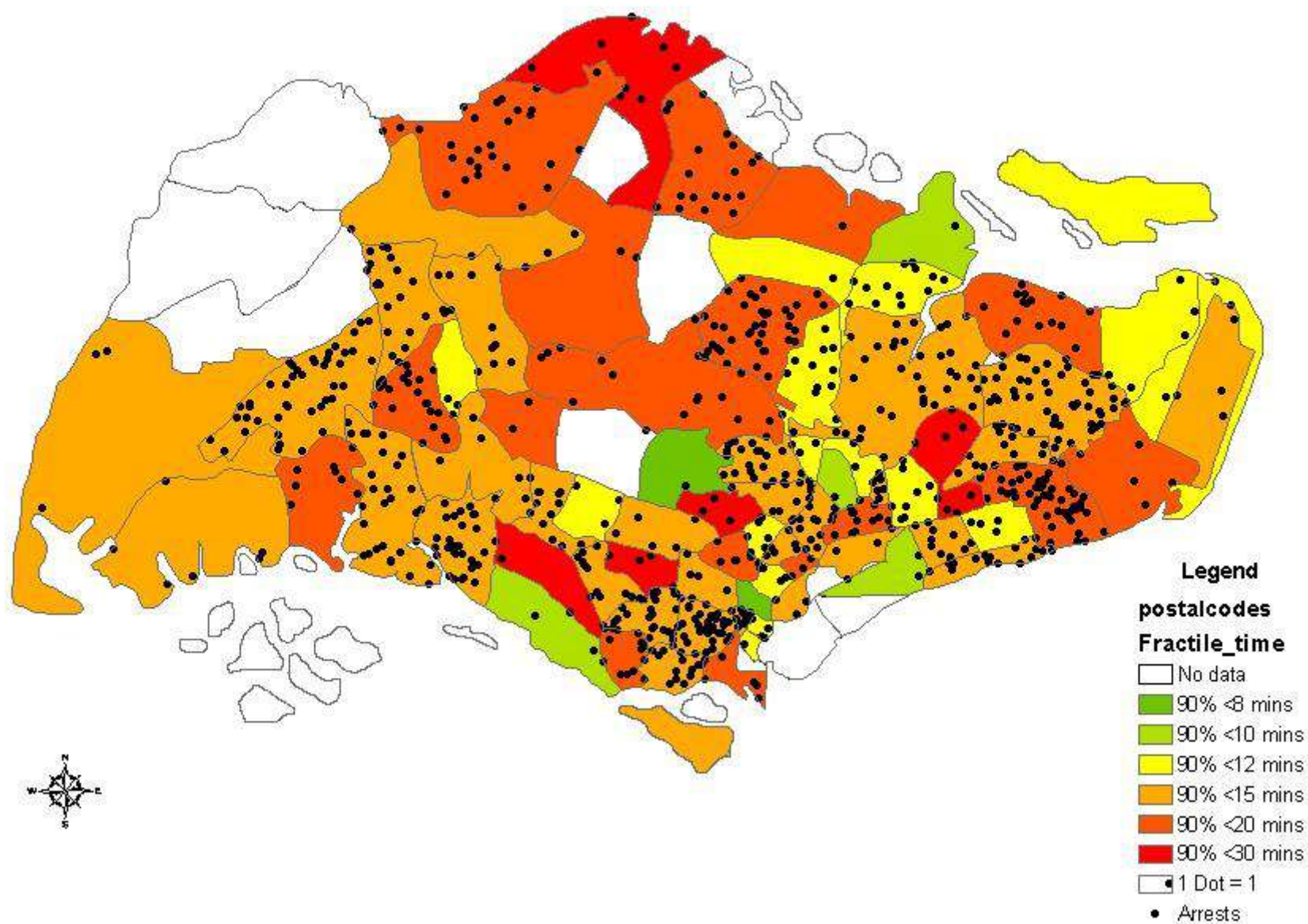


Legend
postalcodes
1 Dot = 1
Arrests

Mean age of cardiac arrest by geography



Fractile response times for cardiac arrest



Spatial Variation and Geographic-Demographic Determinants of Out-of-Hospital Cardiac Arrests in the City-State of Singapore

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Study objective: Our primary objective is to calculate the relative risk of cardiac arrests at the development guide plan (DGP) (equivalent to census tract) level in a city-state, Singapore, and examine its relationship with key area-level population characteristics.

Methods: This was an observational ecological study design. We calculated the relative risk as the ratio of the observed and population standardized expected counts of out-of-hospital cardiac arrests in Singapore, aggregated at DGP level. Data were collected from October 2001 to October 2004. We used conditional autoregressive spatial models to examine the predictors of increased risk at the DGP level.

Results: We found a spatial distribution of cardiac arrests, with an unexpected cluster caused by nonresident arrests occurring at the international airport. The risk of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest more than doubled, 2.35 (95% confidence interval [CI] 1.28 to 4.48), for each 5-point increase in the proportion of people aged 65 years and older. For each 5-point increase in the proportion of Chinese individuals living in a DGP, the risk of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest was reduced by a factor of 0.8 (95% CI 0.7 to 0.9). The risk of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest increased by 1.49-fold (95% CI 1.18 to 1.82) for every 5-point increase in the proportion of households with no family nucleus (live alone). When restricted to residential cases of out-of-hospital cardiac arrest, none of the variables remained significant, possibly because of small sample size.

Conclusion: The risk of cardiac arrests could be related to the age and racial and family structure of DGPs in Singapore. This article models how such data can help to direct public health education, cardiopulmonary resuscitation training, and public access defibrillation programs in other health systems. [Ann Emerg Med. 2011;xxxx.]

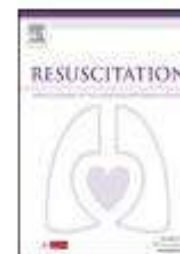
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Clinical Paper

Geographic factors are associated with increased risk for out-of-hospital cardiac arrests and provision of bystander cardio-pulmonary resuscitation in Singapore[☆]

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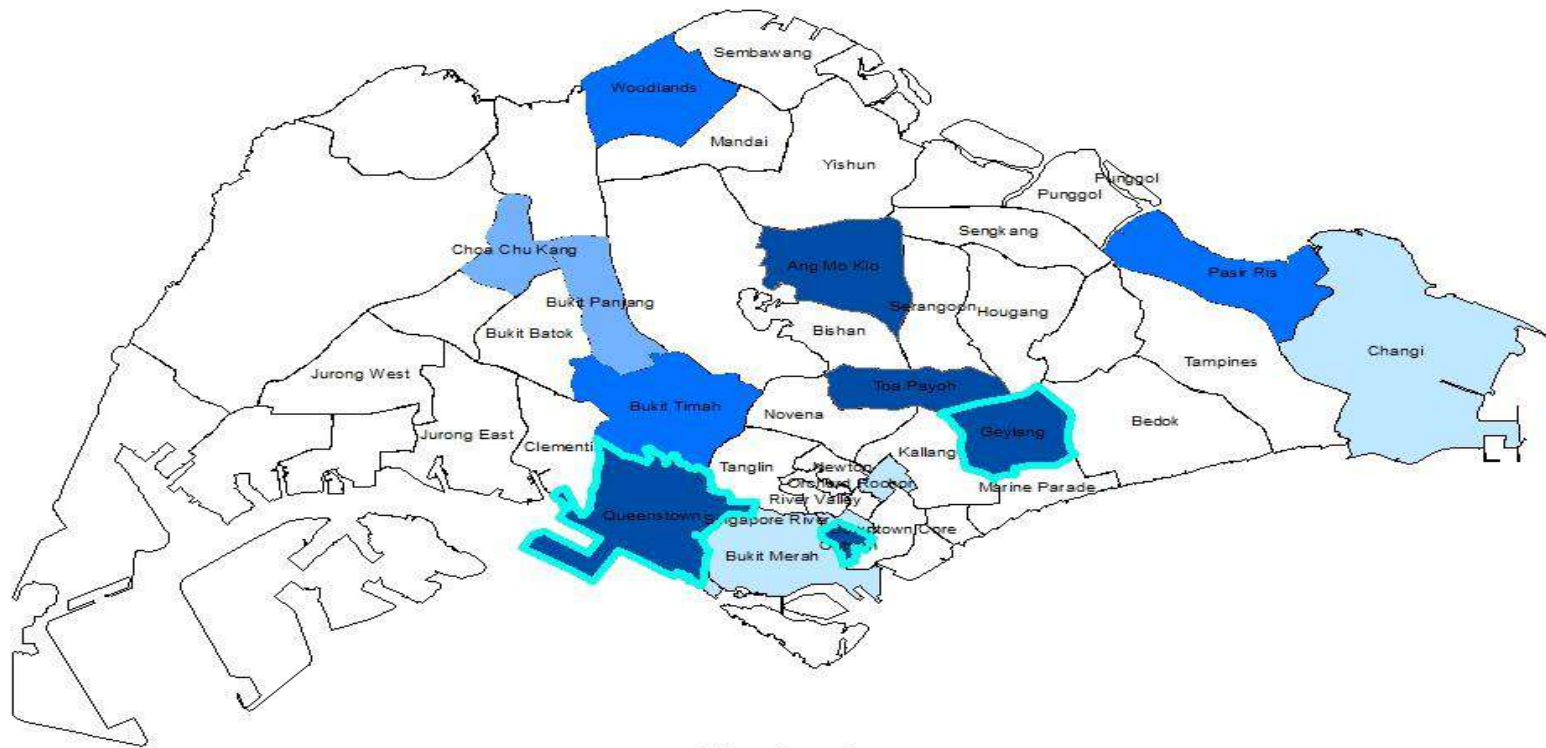
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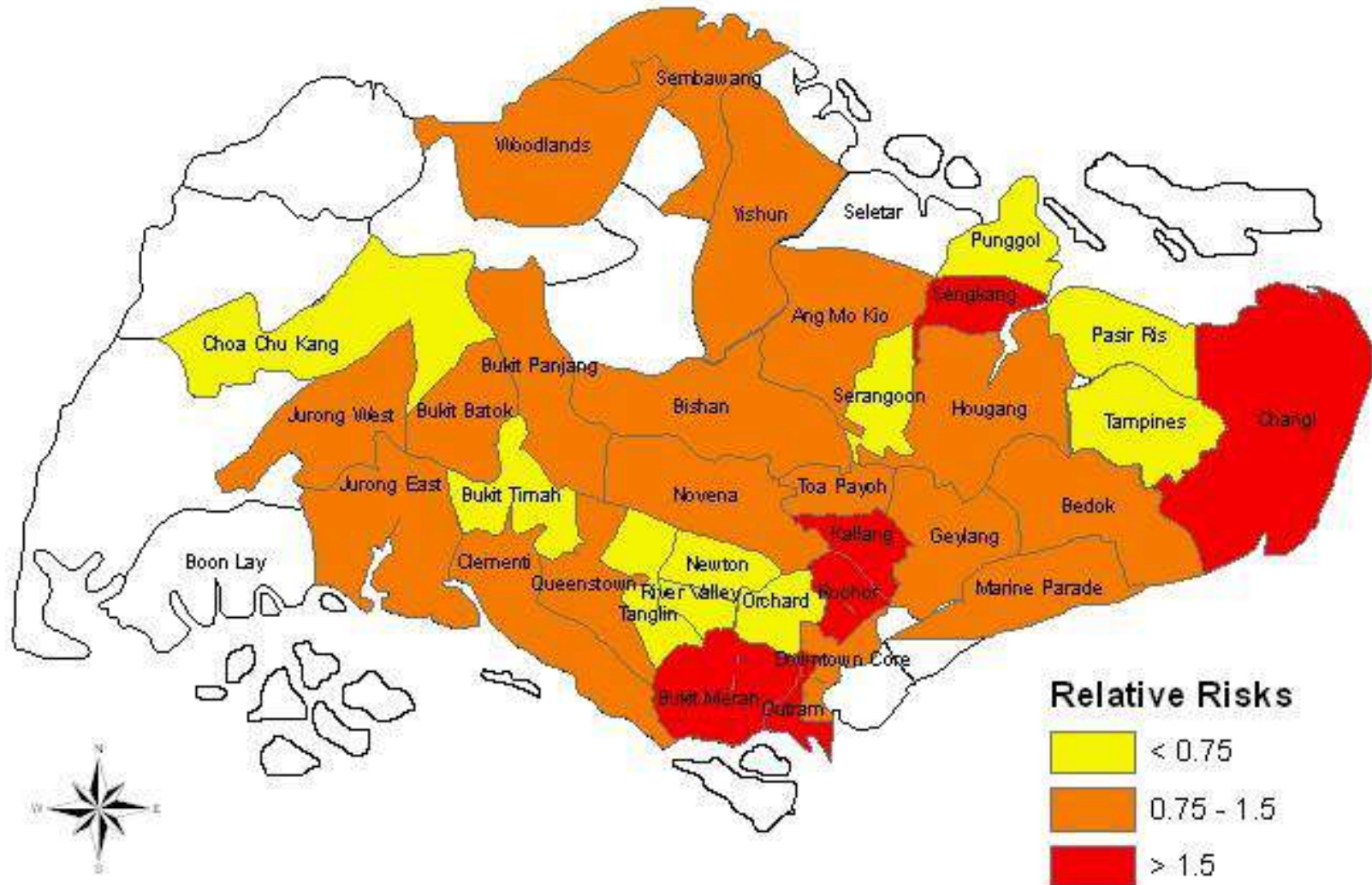
Geographic factors and OHCA survival



Planning Areas

-  RR of survival to discharge < 0.9 & RR of BCPR < 0.9 & RR of OHCA > 1.2 (LLH)
-  RR of survival to discharge > 1.2 & RR of BCPR < 0.9 (HL)
-  RR of survival to discharge > 1.2 & RR of BCPR > 1.2 (HH)
-  RR of survival to discharge < 0.9 & RR of BCPR > 1.2 (LH)
-  RR of survival to discharge < 0.9 & RR of BCPR < 0.9 (LL)
-  Planning areas not included

GEOGRAPHICAL VARIATION IN AMBULANCE CALLS IN SINGAPORE IS EXPLAINED BY SOCIO-ECONOMIC STATUS



What is Operations Research?

- **Operations Research, or Operational Research (OR), is a discipline that deals with the application of advanced analytical methods to help better decisions**
- **‘management science’, ‘decision science’**

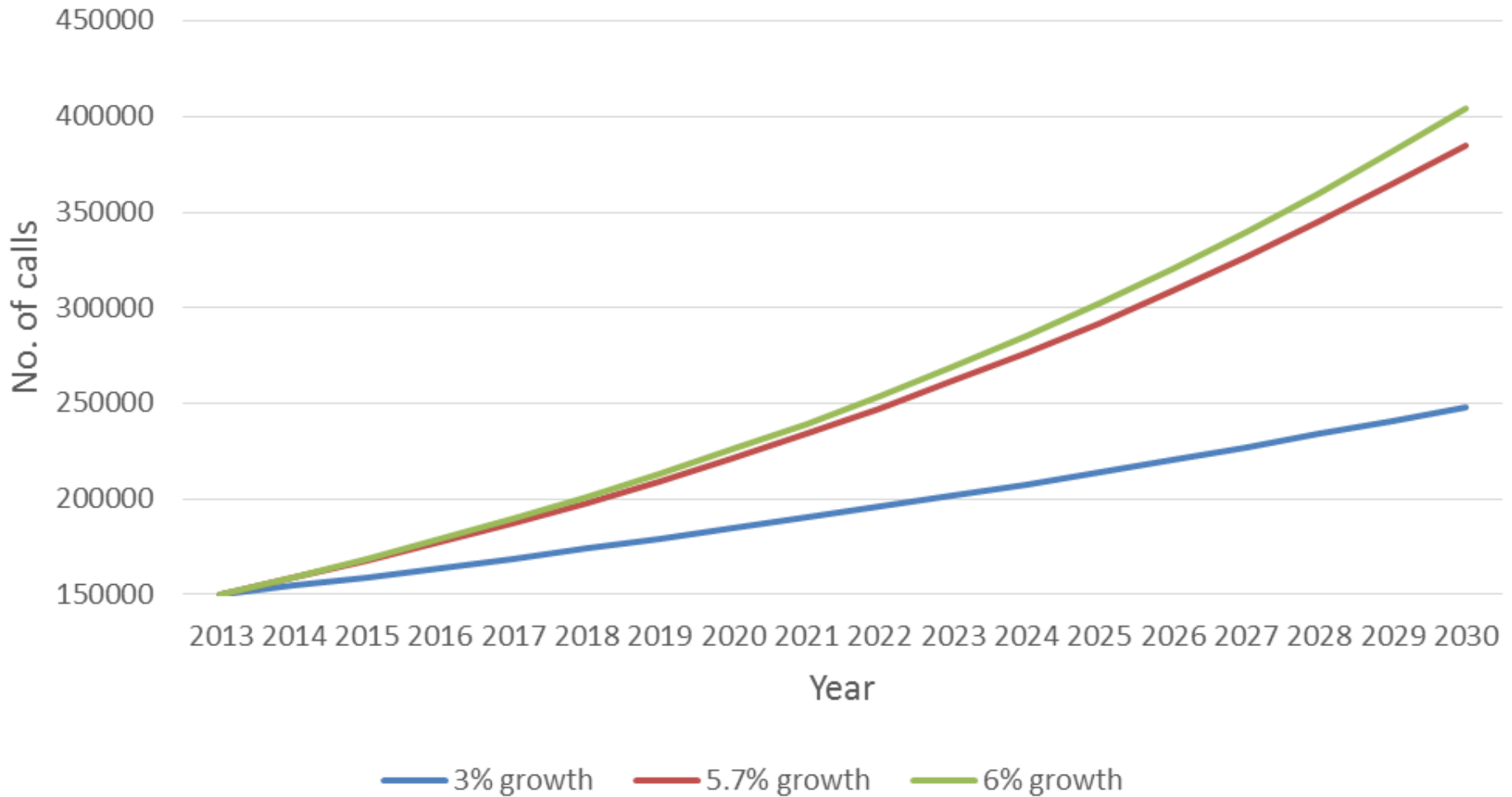


What is Operations Research?

- Simulation
- Mathematical optimization
- Queueing theory
- Stochastic-process models
- Markov decision processes
- Econometric methods
- Data envelopment analysis
- Neural networks
- Expert systems
- Decision analysis
- Analytic hierarchy process



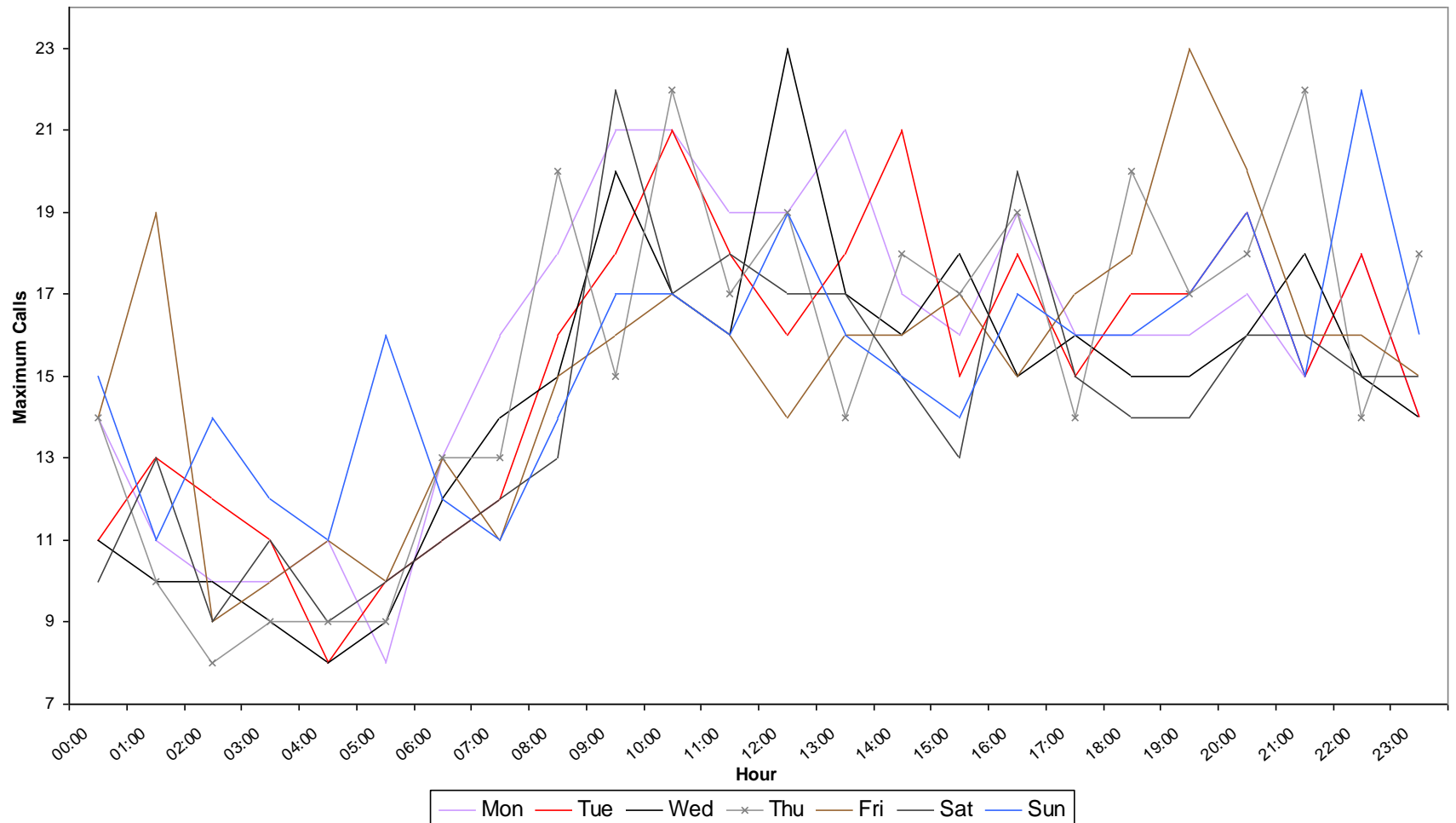
SCDF Projected Call Volume



Factoring for aging population- 10% elderly (Age >65 years) accounted for 35% of usage in 2011

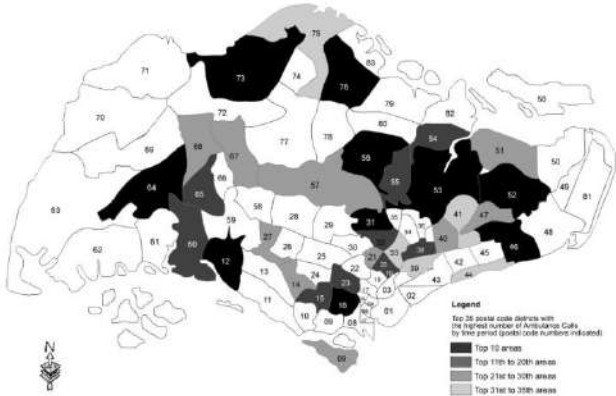
Distribution of ambulance calls by hour of the day

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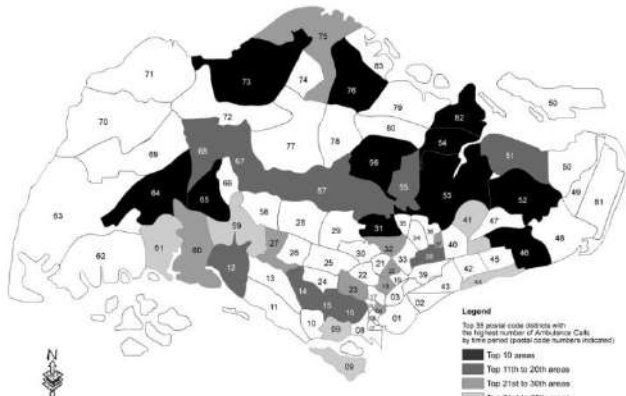


Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods

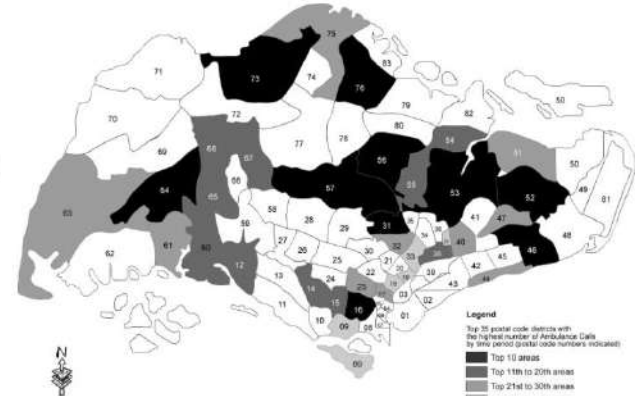
Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods (2301 hrs – 0300 hrs)



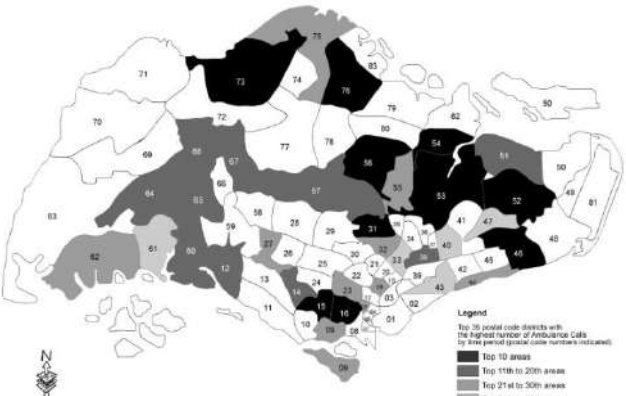
Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods (0301 hrs – 0700 hrs)



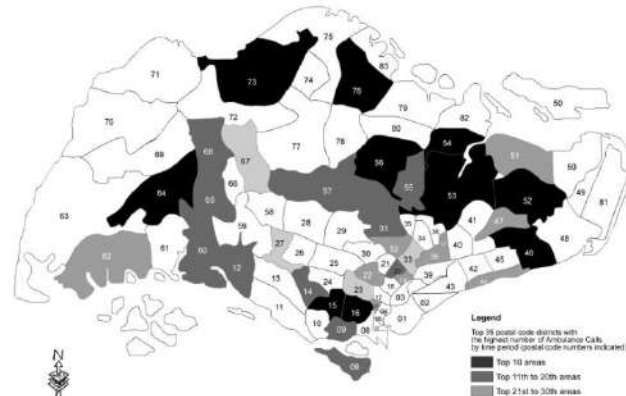
Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods (0701 hrs – 1100 hrs)



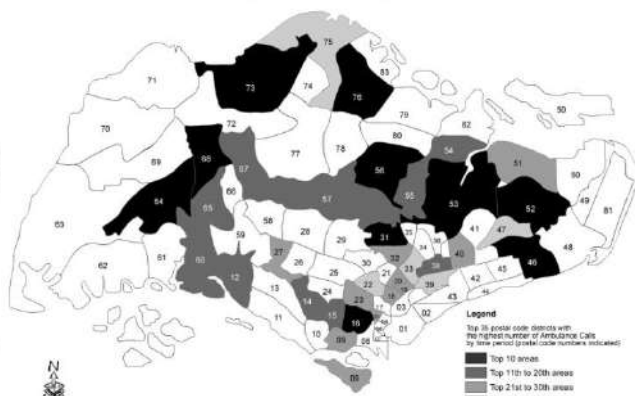
Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods (1101 hrs – 1500 hrs)



Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods (1501 hrs – 1900 hrs)



Top 35 postal code districts with the highest number of Ambulance Calls by time periods (1901 hrs – 2300 hrs)



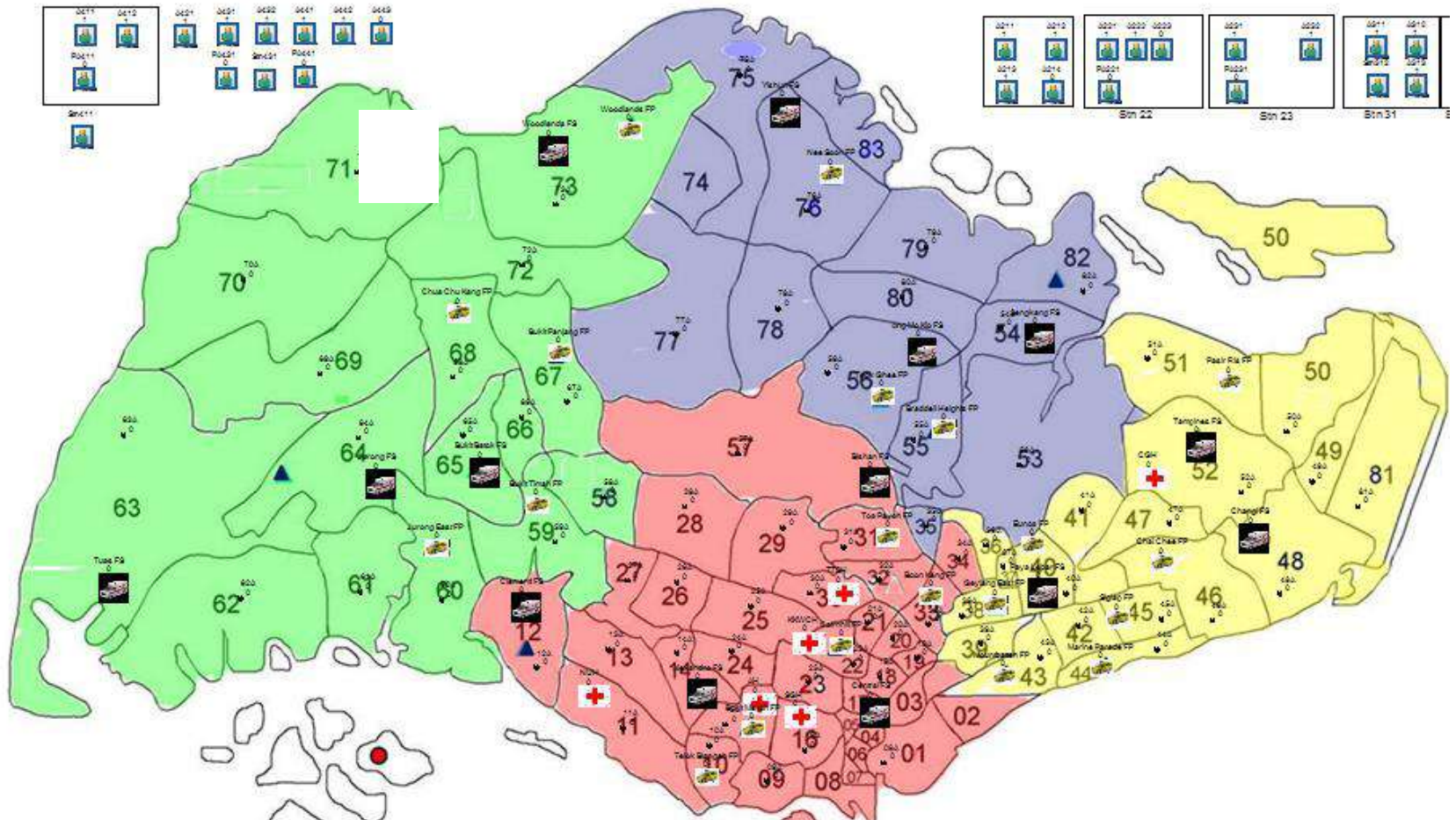
Reducing Ambulance Response Times Using Geospatial–Time Analysis of Ambulance Deployment

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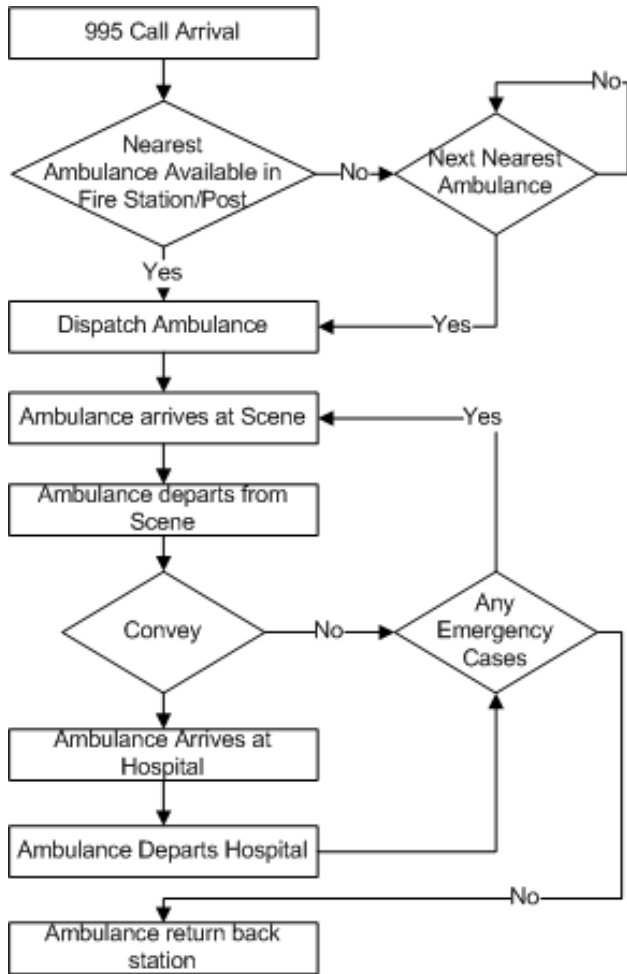
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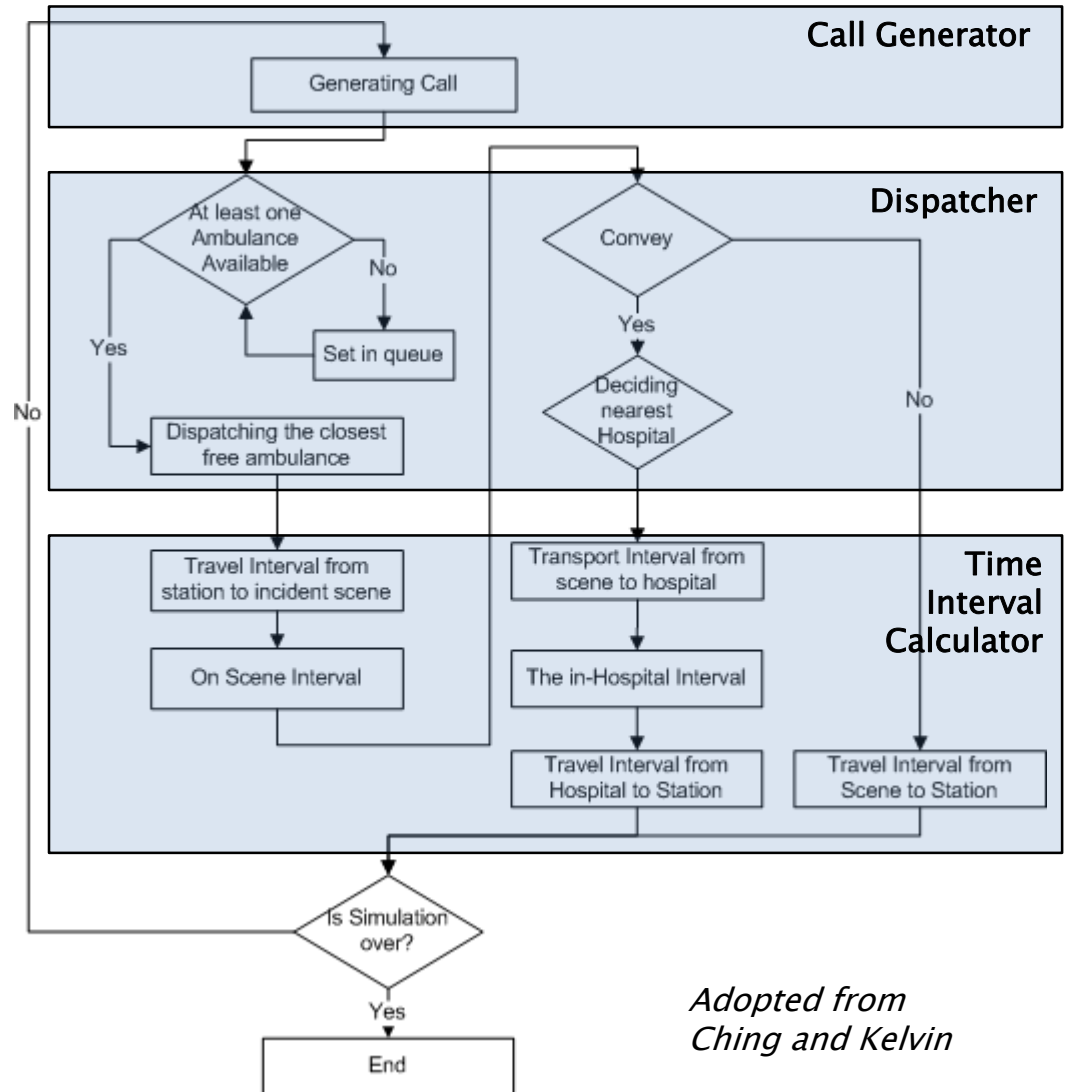
Ambulance Discrete Events Simulation



Singapore EMS Process



Simulation Process



Adopted from Ching and Kelvin

Simulation Model

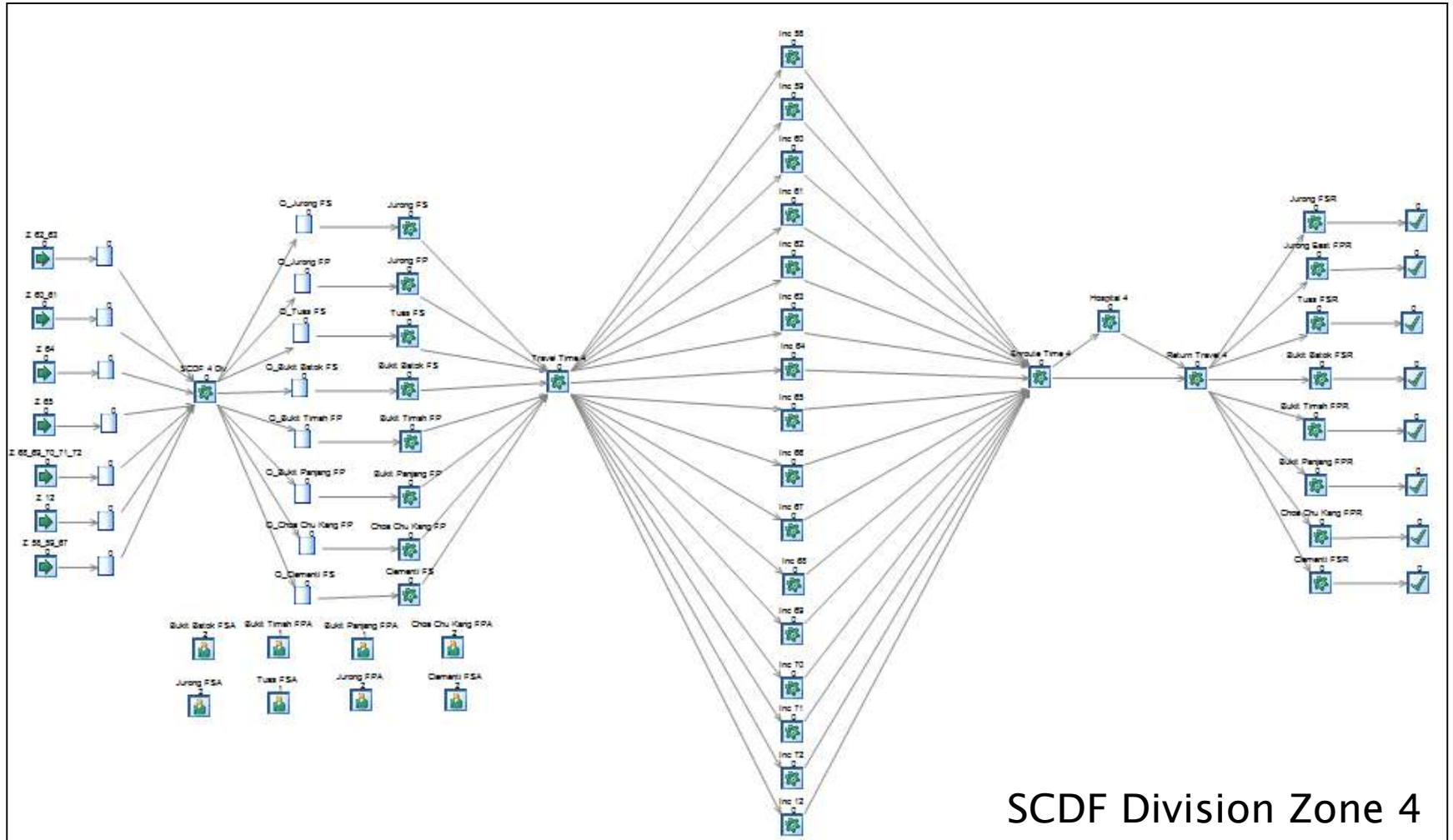
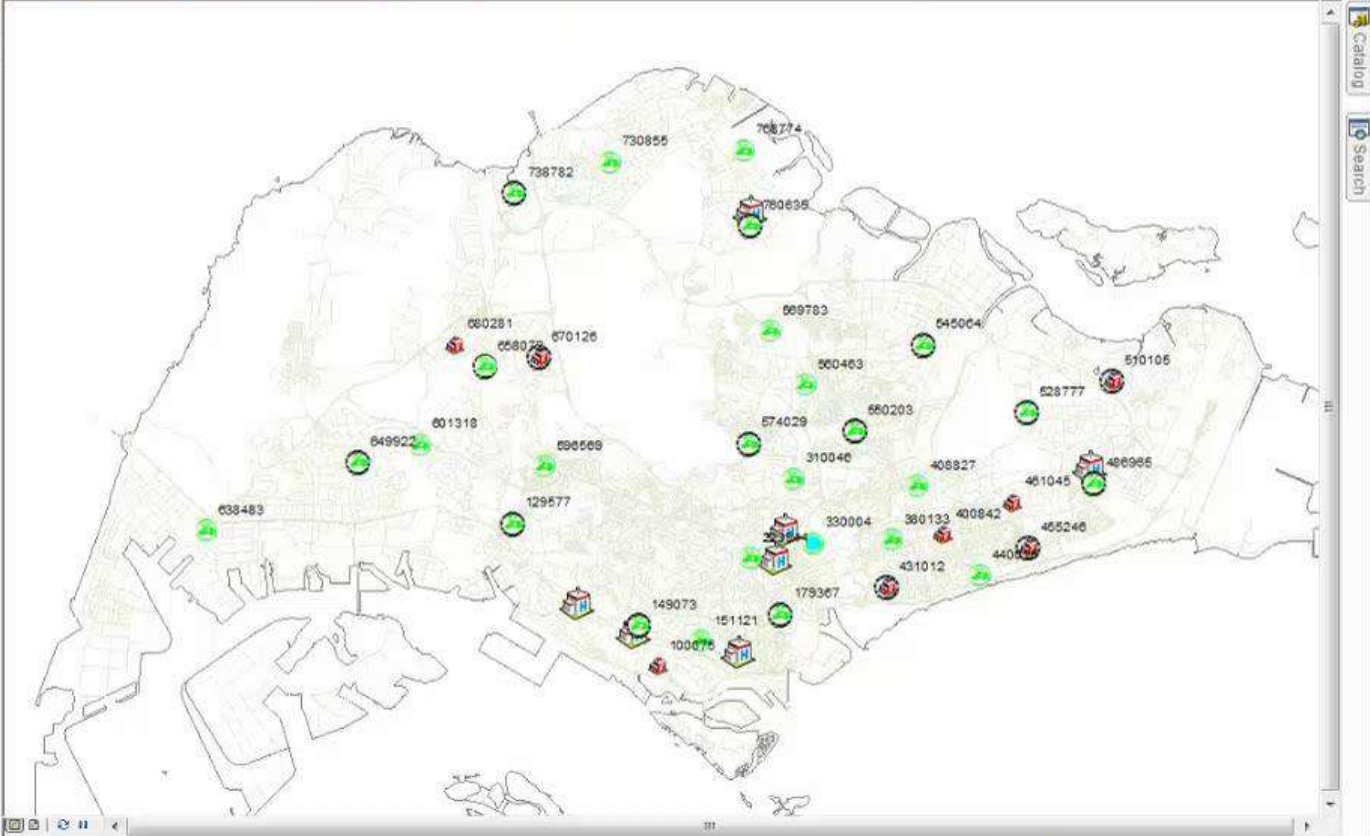


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The CARE Study



Cardiac Arrest & Resuscitation Epidemiology (CARE) in Singapore: Comparison of Outcomes with Implementation of System Status Plan



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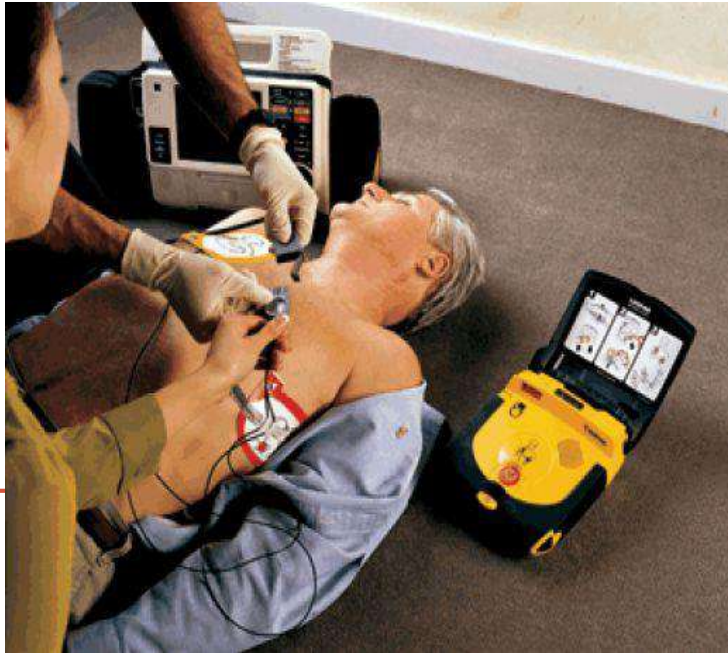
What is the Optimum Number of Emergency Ambulances Needed in Singapore? A Discrete Events Simulation Modeling Study

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**IT'S ABOUT
UNDERSTANDING
AND IMPROVING
THE SYSTEM!**

**The problem of response times in
Out of Hospital Cardiac Arrest**



UBER

2.4 mins - 6.1 mins



This is the power of crowdsourcing!

<https://medium.com/invisible-balloons/uber-911-5d28d7428de6>

The SCDF myResponder App



myResponder App

Available on the App Store

ANDROID APP ON Google play





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Dial 995 and send your geo-location at the same time



Know where the nearest AED is located



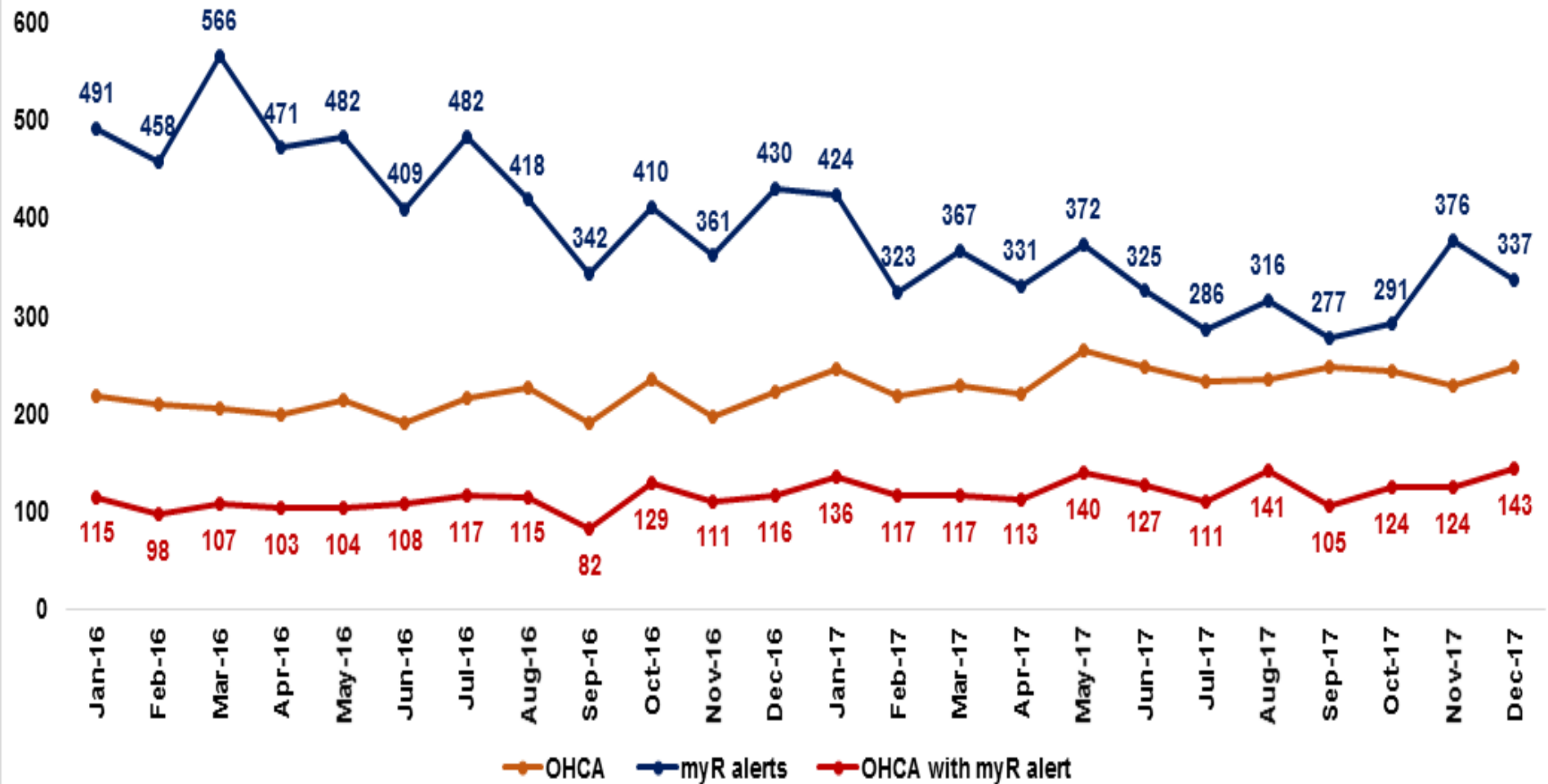
Sign up as a volunteer responder

Leverage on existing I.T.

- 9-9-5 Dispatch System
- National authentication system: **SingPass**
- OneMap for detailed map layers
- Govt Cloud Services

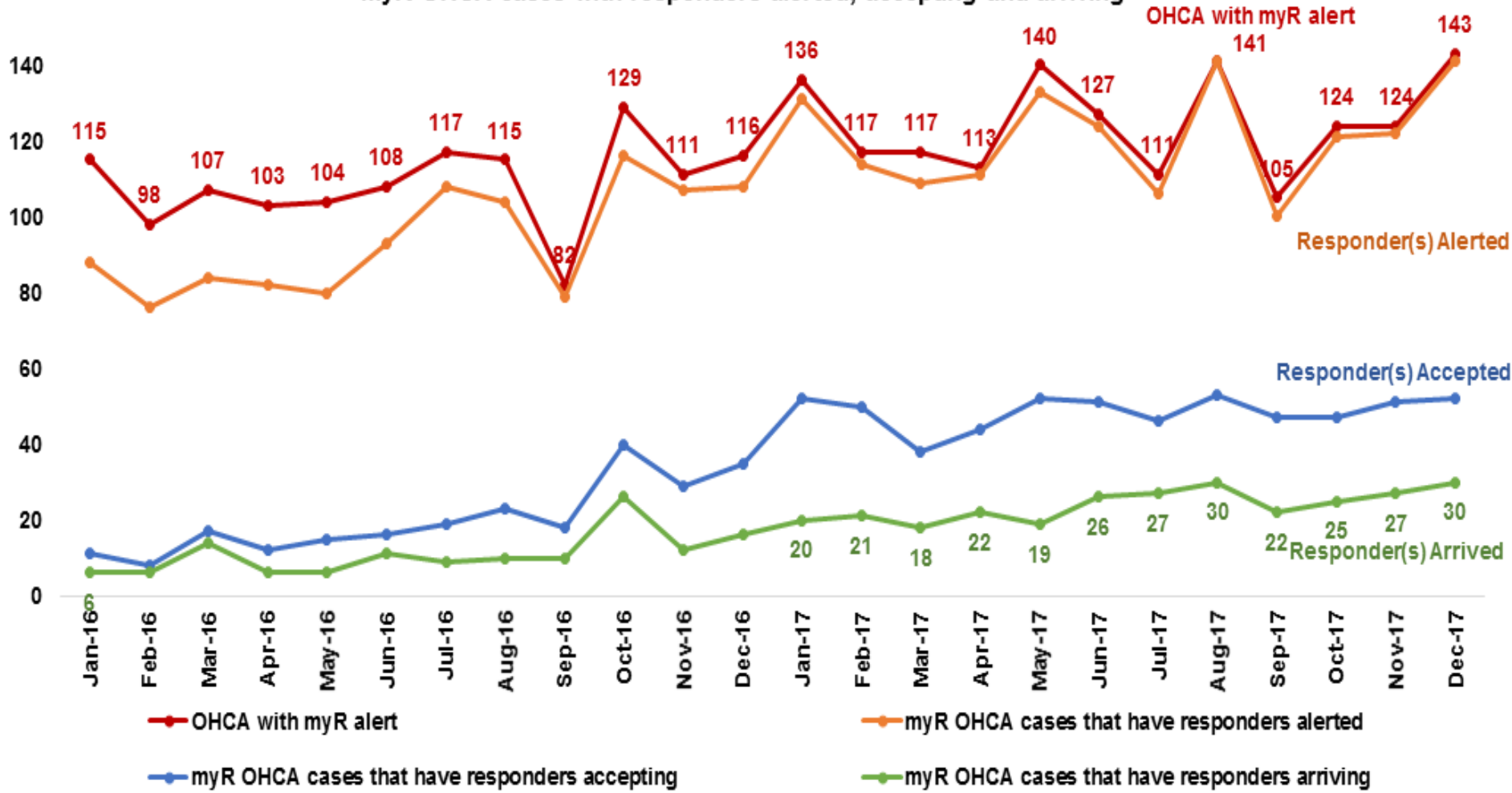


Proportion of myResponder alerts that were OHCA's vs OHCA's attended by SCDF



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myR OHCA cases with responders alerted, accepting and arriving





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» 国人对新加坡社会看法改善

咨询公司对新加坡公民和永久居民展开调查,让他们选最能形容新加坡社会的词汇。结果显示,与3年前相比,国人眼中的新加坡社会较正面,是享有“教育机会”、“和平”及“安全”的国家。本地新闻B2

» 希腊第2轮纾困投票通过

希腊国会从前晚就新纾困方案的第2轮投票进行辩论,一直讨论到昨天凌晨,终于以大比数顺利通过。当国会就纾困方案进行辩论时,约9000民众在国会外聚集,反对进一步削减紧缩。世界新闻B4

» 金秀贤同父异母妹妹沾光被批

韩国歌手金珠娜发行为韩剧献唱的插曲,自曝是“金秀贤同父异母妹妹”搏版面,间接曝金秀贤歌手老爸金忠勋23年前疑“偷吃”往事,被网友狠批。娱乐B12



协助更多心脏病发者 救命App使用率待提高

苏文琪

通知公众就近协助疑似心脏病发者的手机应用软件,已推出超过3个月,用户使用率仍有待提高,以帮助更多患者,增加对方的存活机会。

民防部队于今年4月17日推出的“myResponder”应用软件,至今的下载量约2500次。该软件可指出设有自动心脏除颤器(AED)最靠近的地点,也可用于通知用户附近有心脏病发者。

当局接获疑似心脏病发个案的通报后,会立刻用软件通知在事发地点400公尺内的用户。只有已注册为“社区急救员”的700多名用户才会接到通知。

过去3个月,民防部队共发出约1000则急救通知,当中六成确为心脏病发个案。不

过,仅不到5%的通知获公众回应。45起获回应个案中,有15起确为心脏病发个案。

民防部队总医务官黄毅莹医生上校说,即使没有接受过急救训练,公众还是可以注册为急救员。接获通知时,他们可帮忙取来最靠近的自动心脏除颤器,或在民防接线员的指导下为患者进行心外按摩,或协助指引救护人员到事发地点。

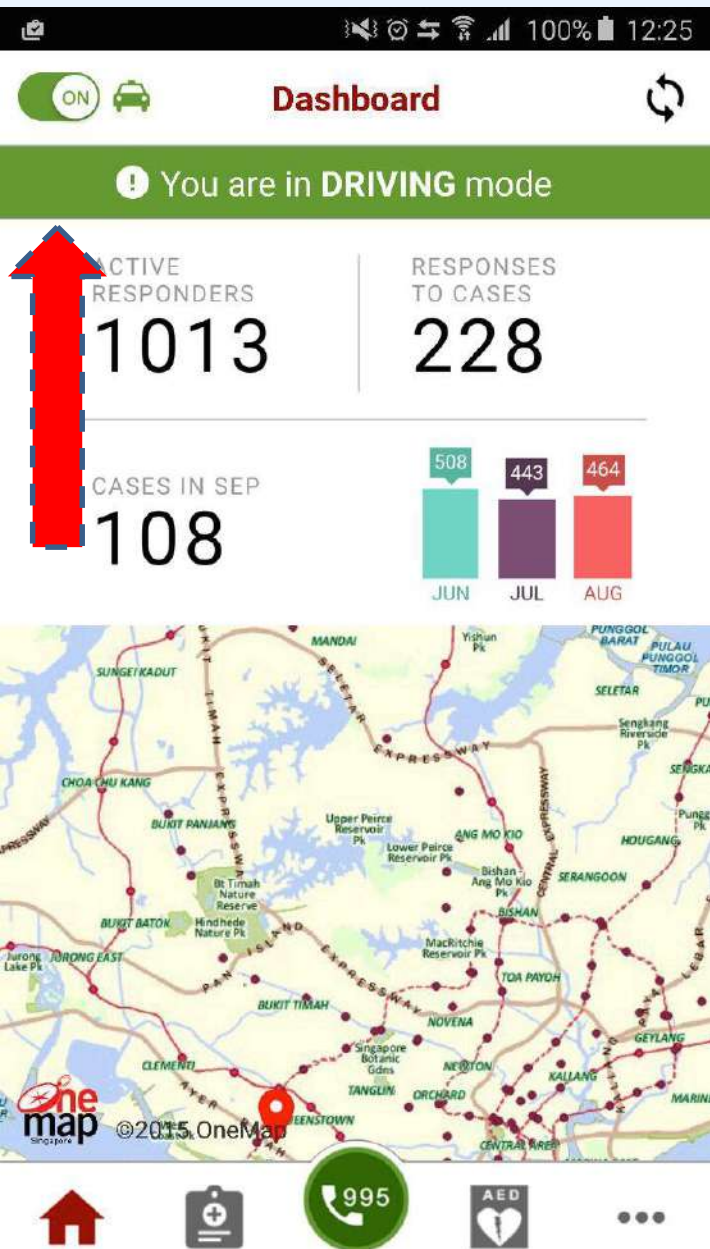
他说,“心脏骤停的情况下,每一秒都非常重要,有人及时介入帮忙,将增加患者的存活机会。”

另外,软件现虽以处理心脏病发个案为主,用户仍可借由软件通知民防部队其他紧急事故,当局会通过定位技术得知通报者的位置。

目前获回应个案中,未有心脏病发者成功存活,但获援助的其他患者都从中受益。



邻里主动应急计划志愿者彭秀翠(左)和拉詹在接获“myResponder”应用软件的通知后,能赶在救护车之前到场,及时为患者提供援助。(周柏荣摄)



SINGAPORE

Automated External Defibrillators installed on 100 SMRT taxis

The initiative is part of a three-year pilot programme called SMRT-Temasek Cares AED on Wheels, which aims to increase the availability of AEDs within the community.

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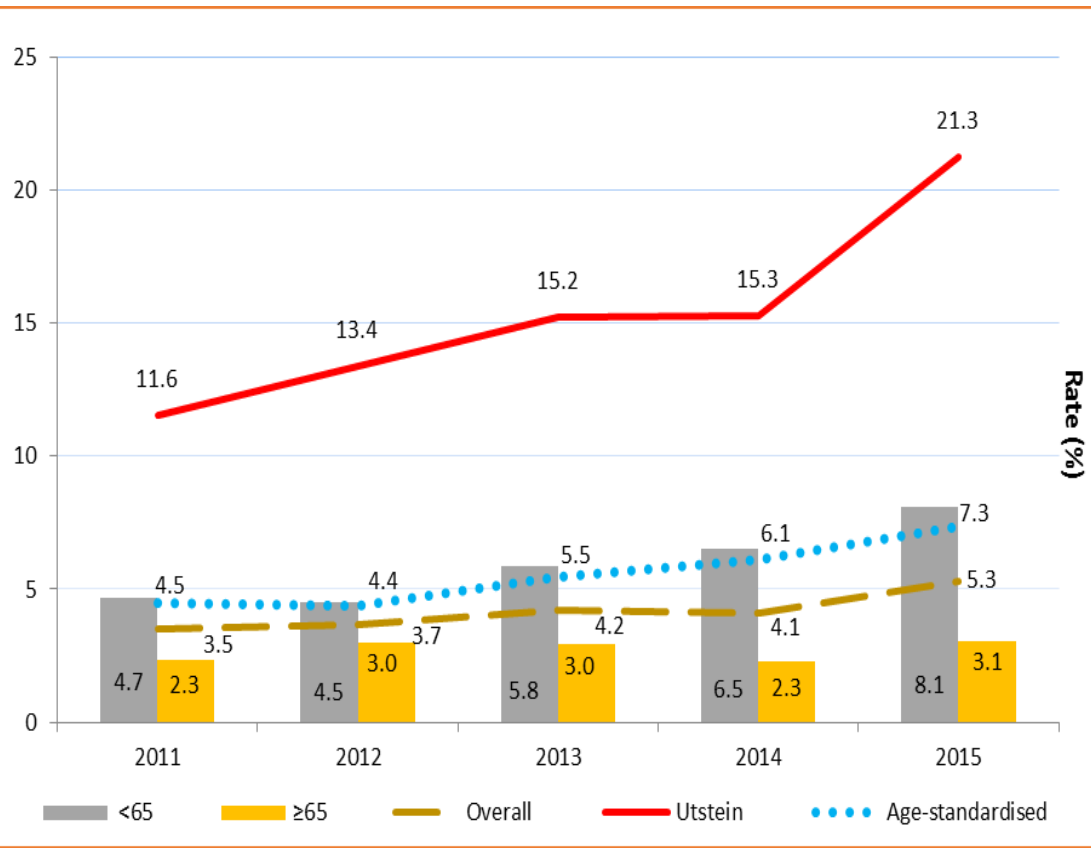
VIDEOS PHOTOS



SMRT taxi driver Simon Ngiam Shu Leng with the AED which will be installed in his taxi. (Photo: SMRT)

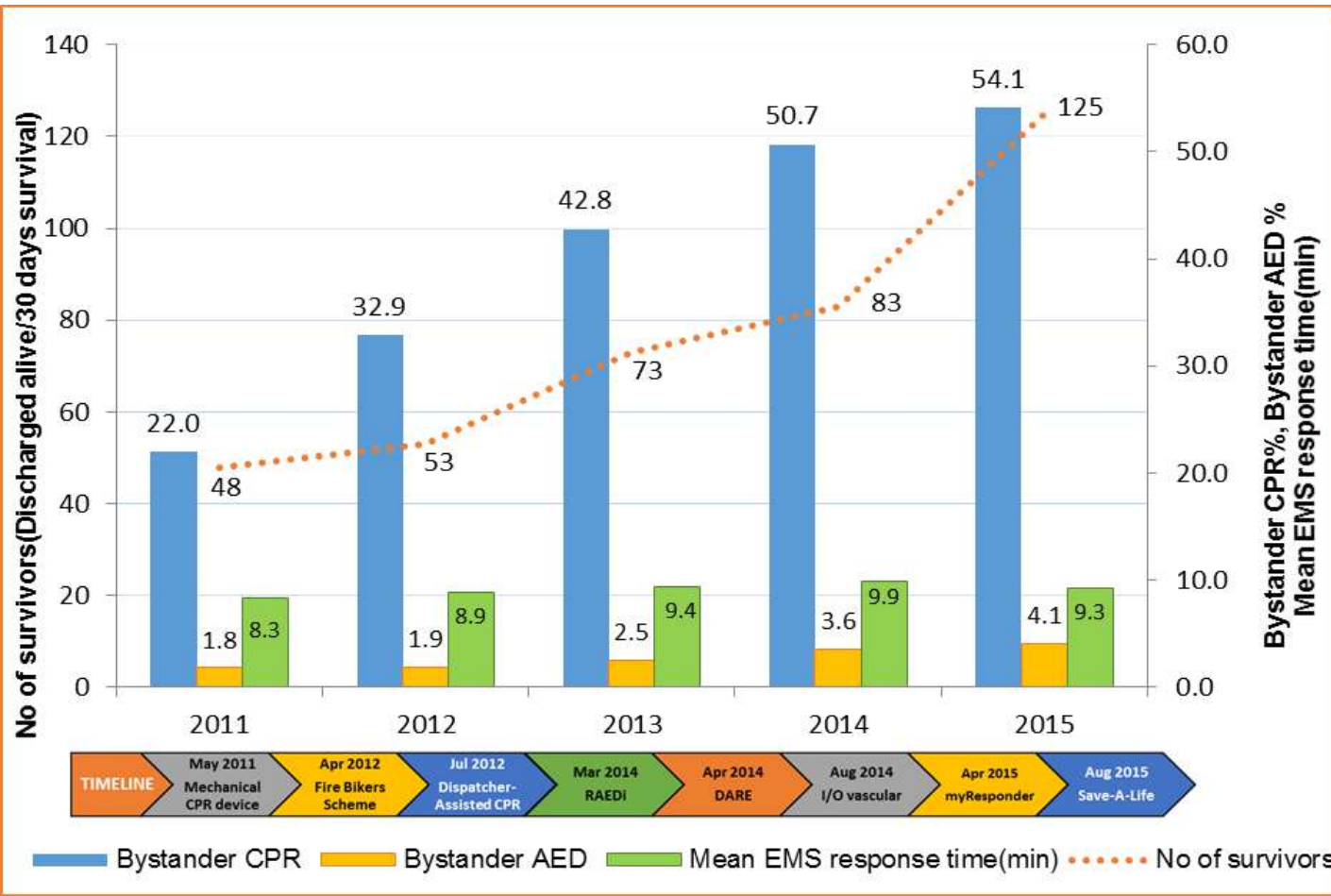
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Survival Rates: Overall, Utstein, <65 and >65



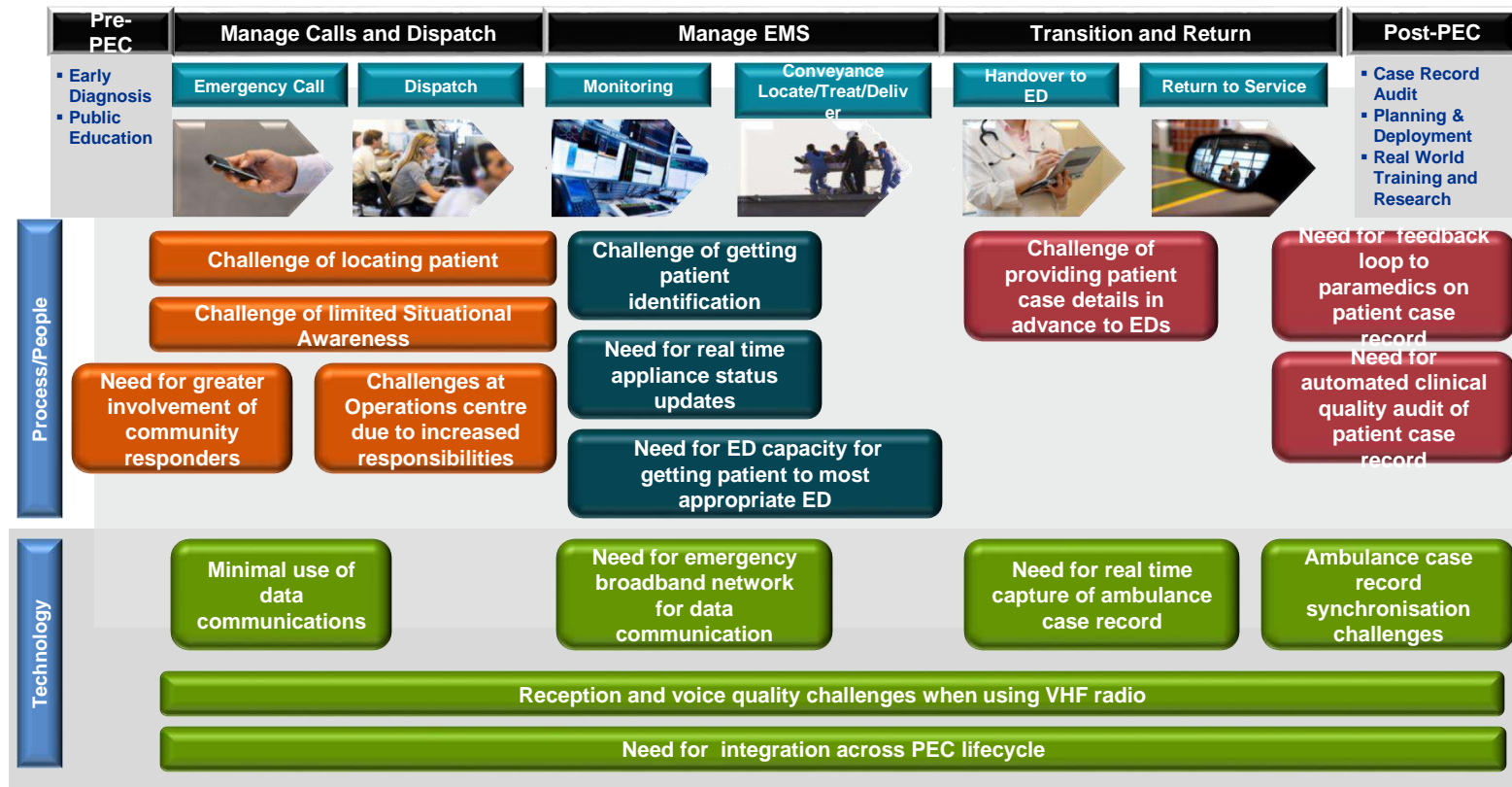
- **Witnessed cardiac arrest survival rates** have **doubled** from 11.6 to 21.3%
- **Overall survival rates** have gone up from 3.5 to 5.3%
- Younger patients (<65) are 2.6 times more likely to survive than older patients (>65)

Timeline of Interventions

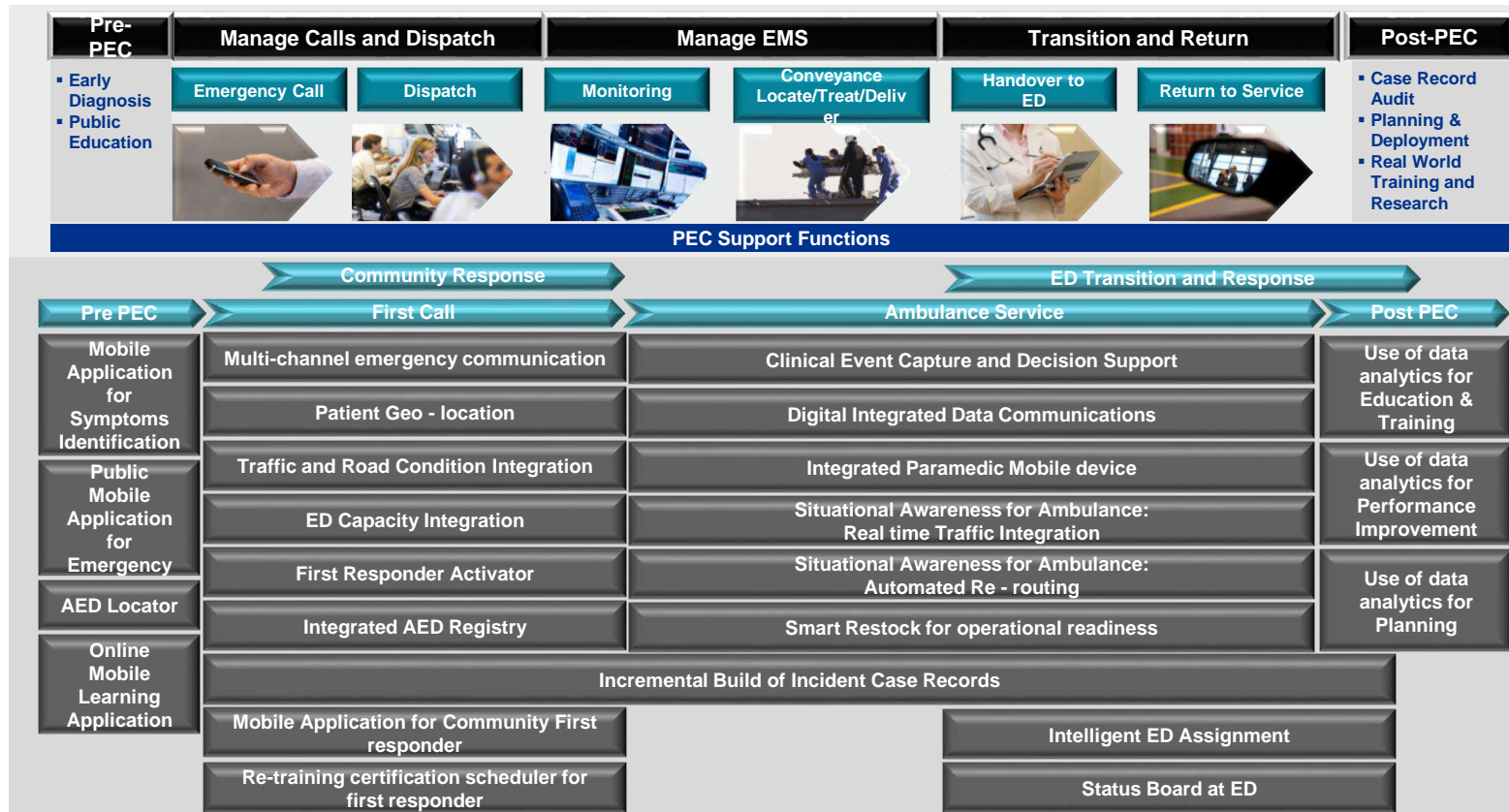


- Total survivors increased from 48 to 125.
- Bystander CPR rates increase from 22% to 54%
- AED use 1.8% to 4.1%
- EMS response time gradually increasing 8.3mins → 9.3mins

Pre-hospital Emergency Care National IT Blueprint



PEC Potential Solution Capabilities



PEC IT Blueprint and Analytics

Manage Calls and Dispatch | Manage EMS | Transition and Return

Emergency Call | Dispatch | Monitoring | Conveyance Locate/Treat/Deliver | Handover to ED | Return to Service



Operations Centre

Smart Ambulance Device

Mobile Devices

Participating EDs
(SGH, KTPH and TTSH)

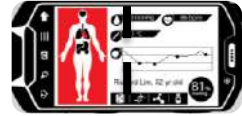
995 call/
situational
data



Incident
Details on
IBCR



Clinical
Data
Capture



Electronic
Case Record



My Responder

Dispatch Tape Review

Comms between
Paramedics and
ED

ePCR
NEHR

Heartsave forms

IBCR

MHA Firewall

Extract, Transform,
Load

Hospital Firewall

Data Warehouse

HDG (MOHH)

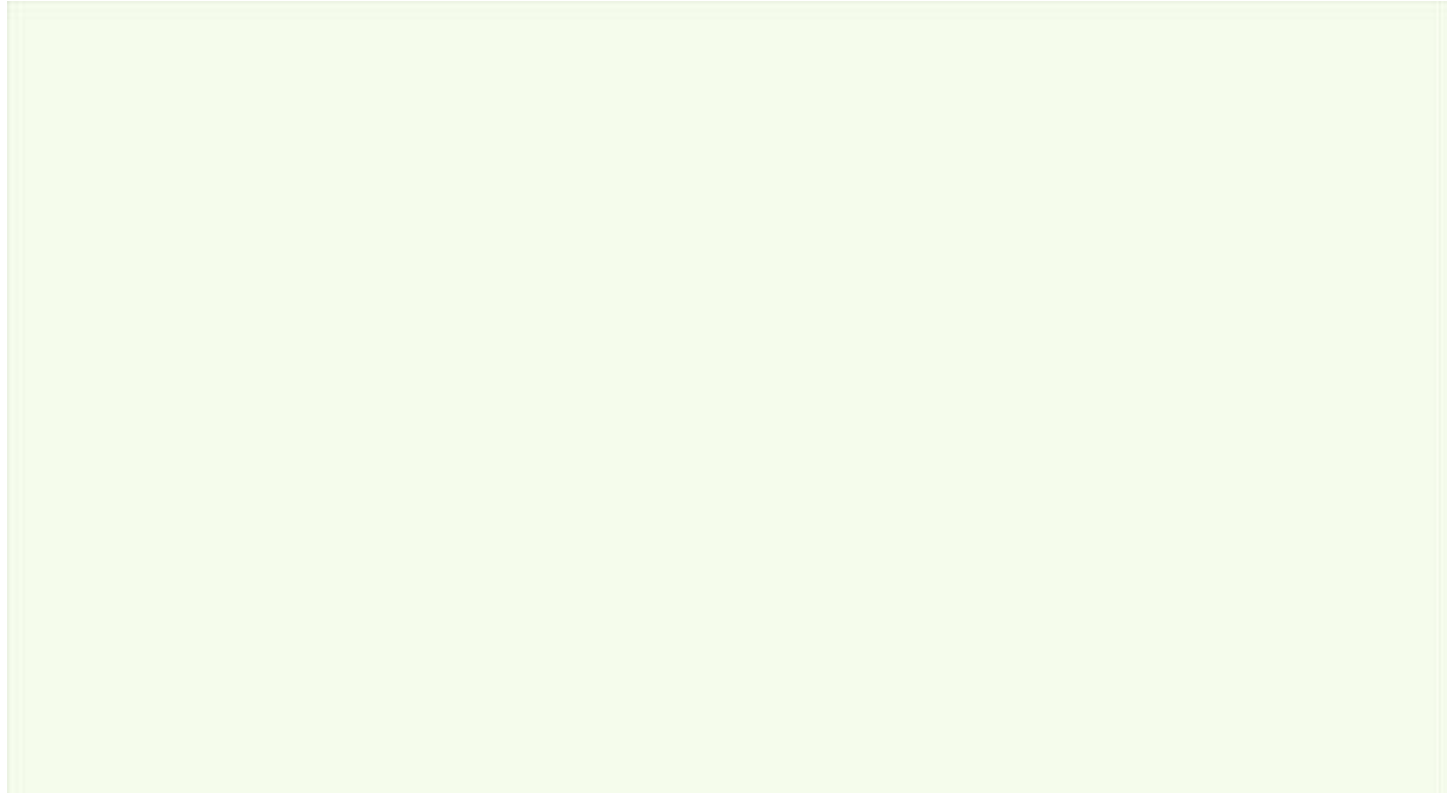
Reporting and Analytics Services



Potential Area of Analytics

- Research on OHCA, Trauma, Stroke and STEMI

Project OMNI

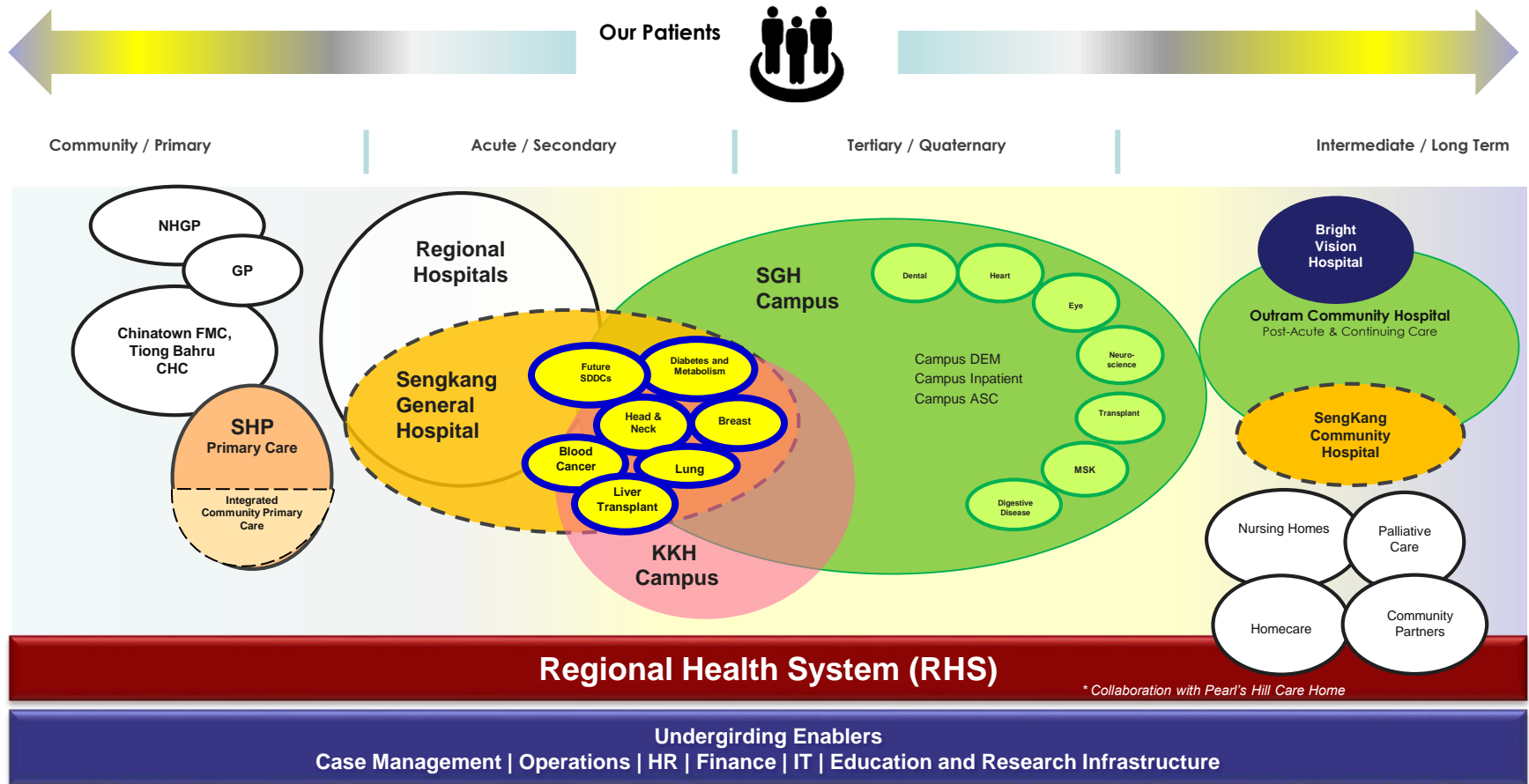


Emergency Medicine

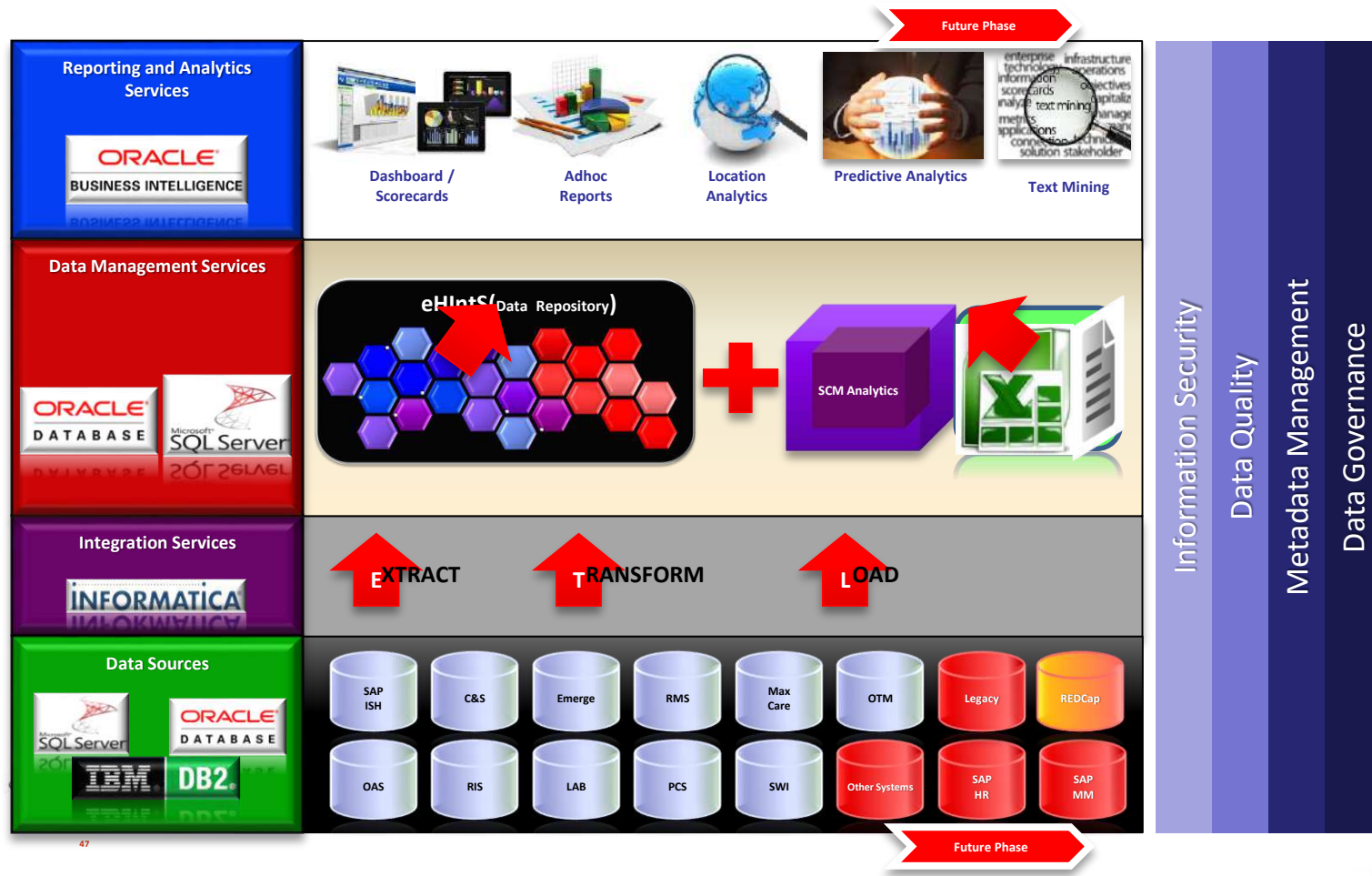
- Unique domain of medicine that encompasses the acute care of medical, surgical, paediatric, obstetric/gynaecological and other emergencies
- It has also developed sub-specialty niches in:
 - Pre-hospital Emergency Care
 - Paediatric emergency medicine
 - Toxicology
 - Emergency Trauma Care
 - Emergency Airway Management
 - Emergency cardiac care
 - Emergency imaging
 - Observation Medicine
 - Critical Emergency Care
 - Resuscitation
 - Disaster Medicine



Availability of Data across the spectrum of healthcare

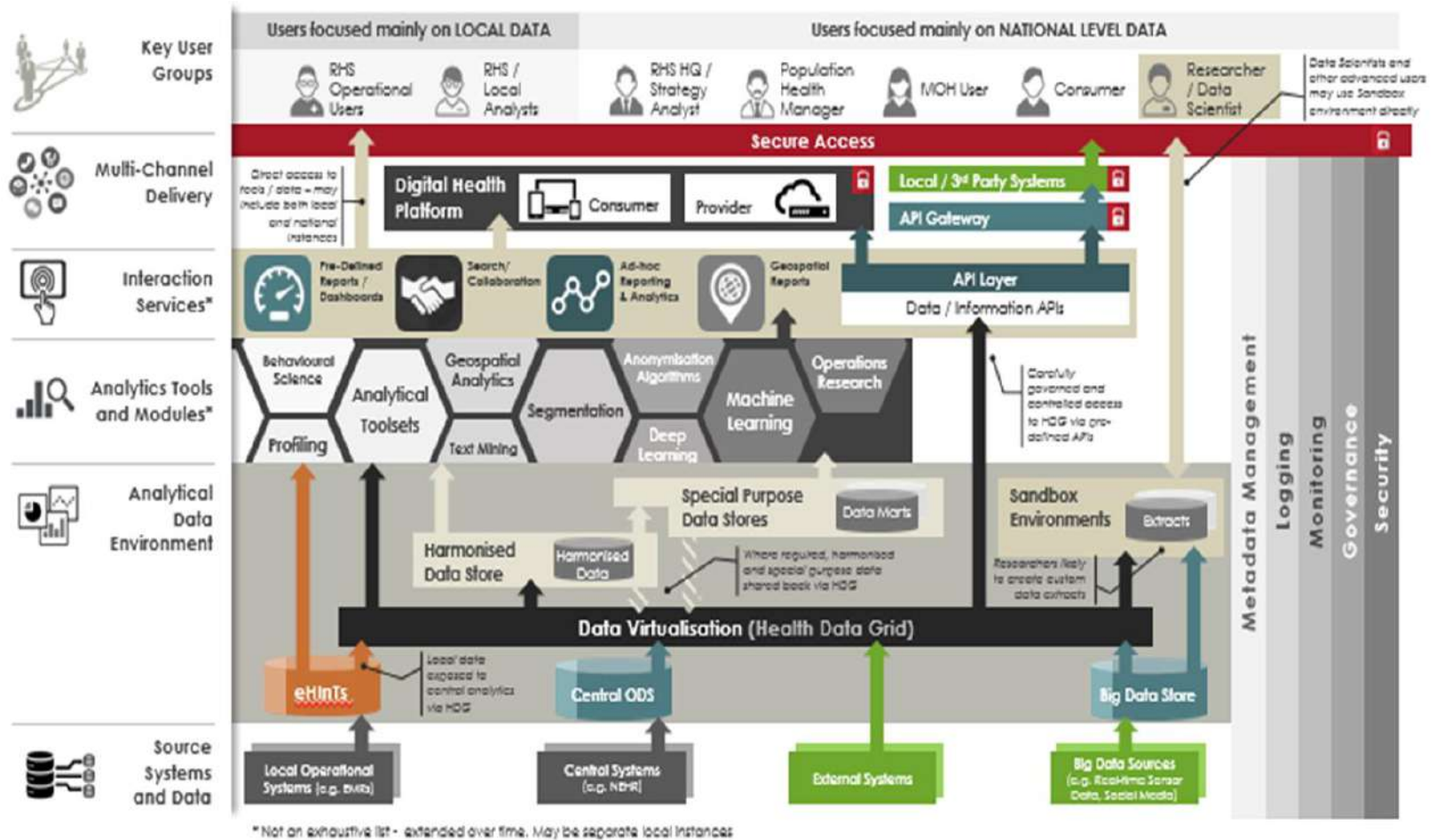


Supporting Analytics Infrastructure in SingHealth – Duke NUS AMC



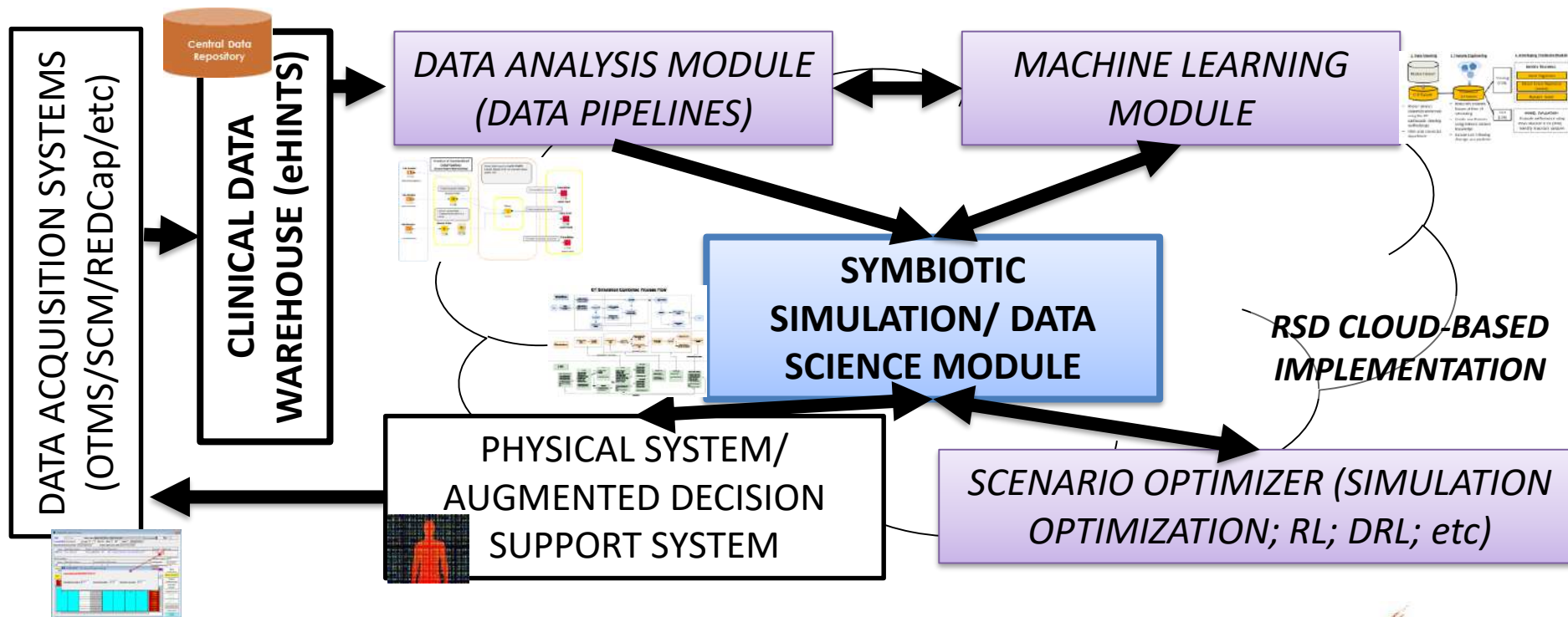
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SingHealth Analytics Infrastructure

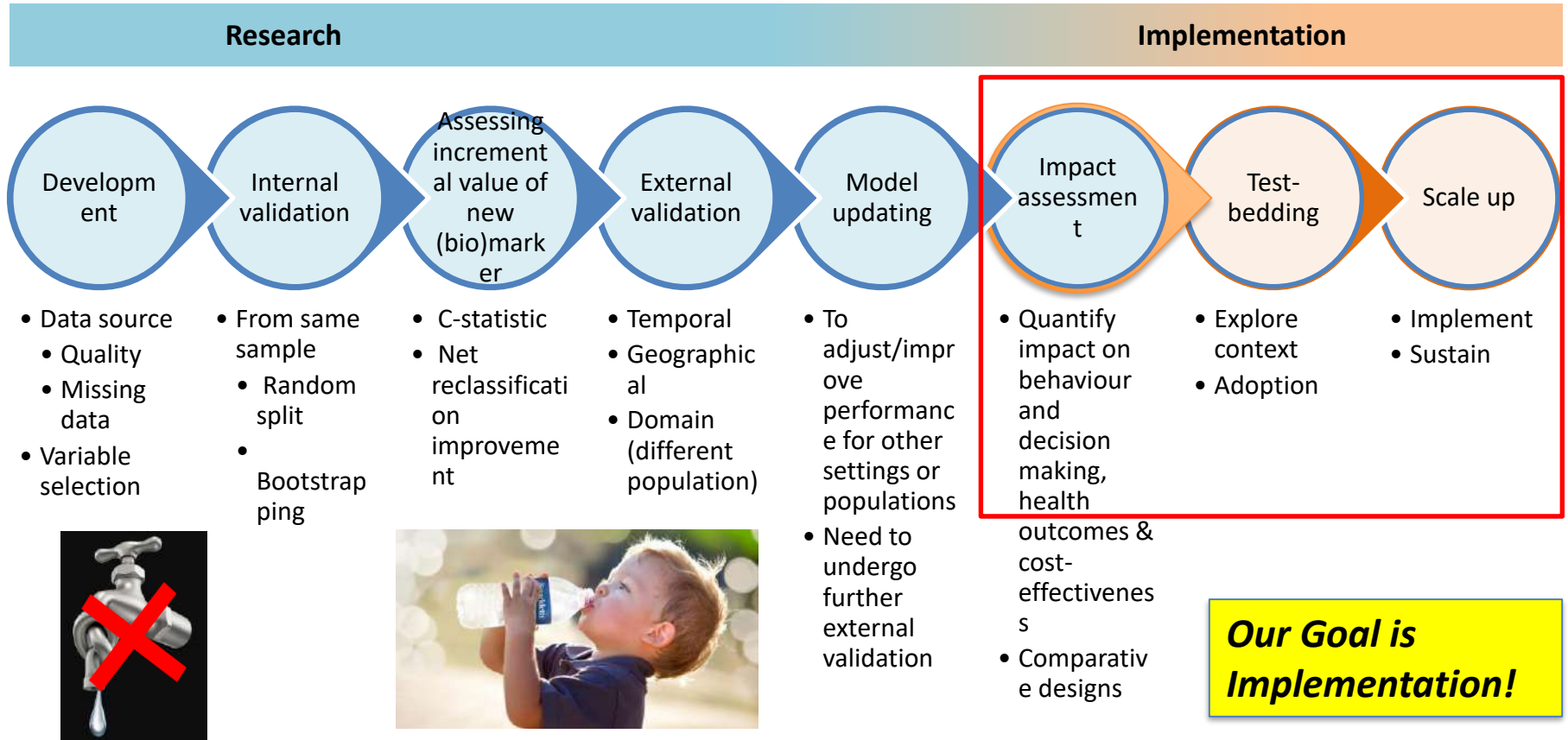


Research Standing Database

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- Data analytics & optimisation techniques
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- Min. 1 year experience

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- Data analysis & optimisation.
- PhD in Computer Science
- Min. 2 years experience

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