

Transform AKC- For the best patient experience



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Transform AKC 1 year on....

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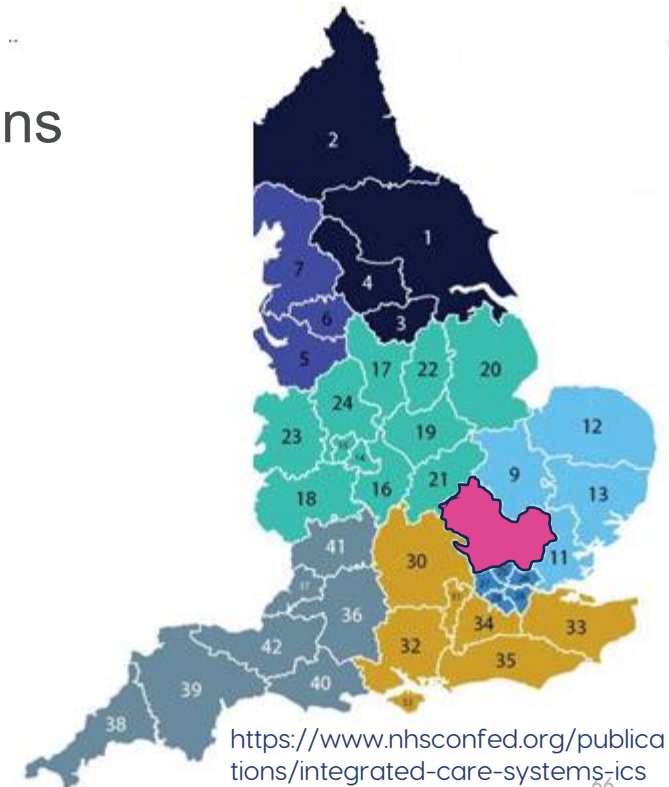
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Our patient population



- Catchment population 1.5 million
- 609 patients in Advanced Kidney Care (AKC) clinics, including 127 patients under conservative kidney management
- 5 AKC clinics: Luton & Dunstable, Lister, Bedford, Harlow, St Albans
- AKC clinics across 4 different NHS Trusts
- 2 separate Integrated Care Boards
- Refer to 3 different transplant centres
- Renal electronic patient record: Clinical Vision
- Lister Area Kidney Patient Association (LAKPA)



<https://www.nhsconfed.org/publications/integrated-care-systems-ics>

Focus on pre-emptive transplantation

**Transplantation =
gold standard renal
replacement for
suitable patients**

November 2024:

Only 9% AKC patients with eGFR<20
were active on the transplant list

Aim: Pre-emptive transplant listing

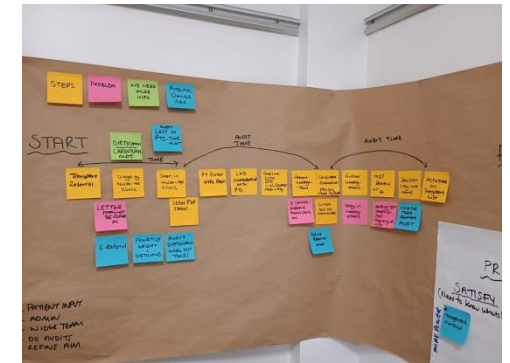


At least 25% AKC patients with an eGFR of less than 15 on a potential transplant listing pathway to be active on the transplant waiting list by March 2026.

Denominator would be AKC patients with eGFR <15, excluding those under Conservative Management and those recorded as "Not listed – permanent".

Process to far ...

- Process mapped our transplant assessment pathway
- Engaged with key stakeholders
- Used a Plan-Do-Study-Act cycle approach to our tests of change
- Recorded several monthly measures including
 - Referrals for transplant workup from AKC
 - Referrals for transplant workup from AKC vs. dialysis cohorts
 - Transplants
 - AKC patients unsuitable for transplant due to BMI
 - AKC patients referred to weight management service
 - Patients on waiting list for weight management service

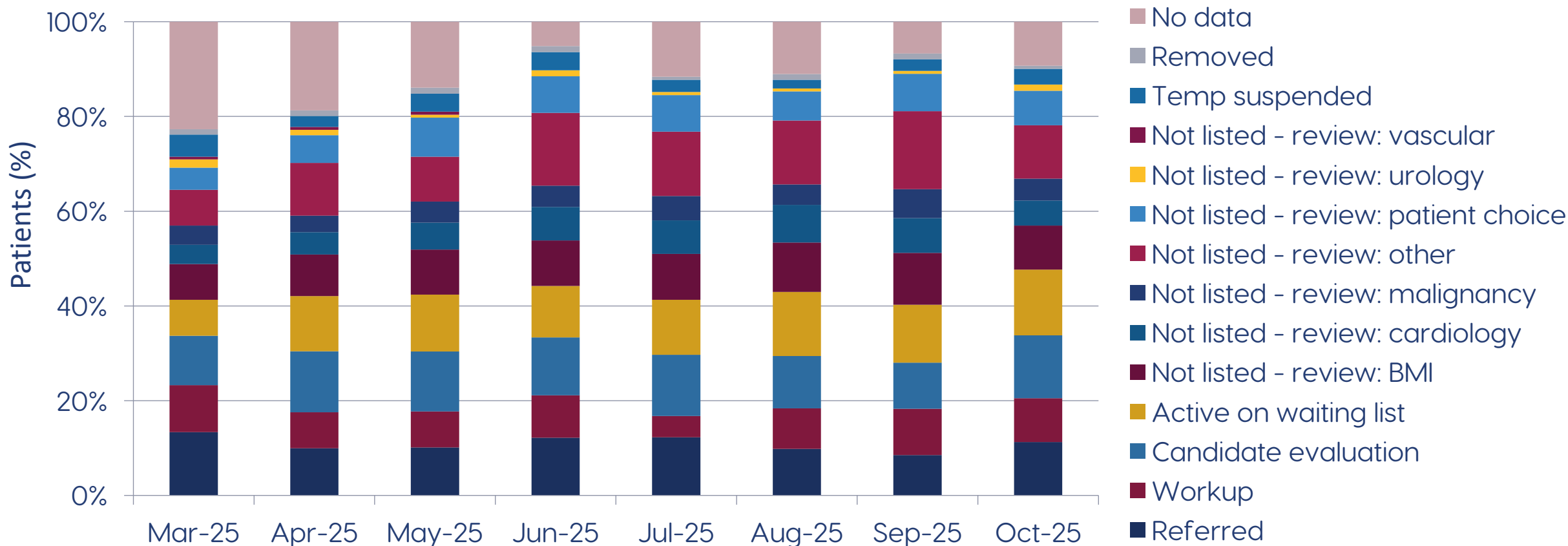


Change ideas

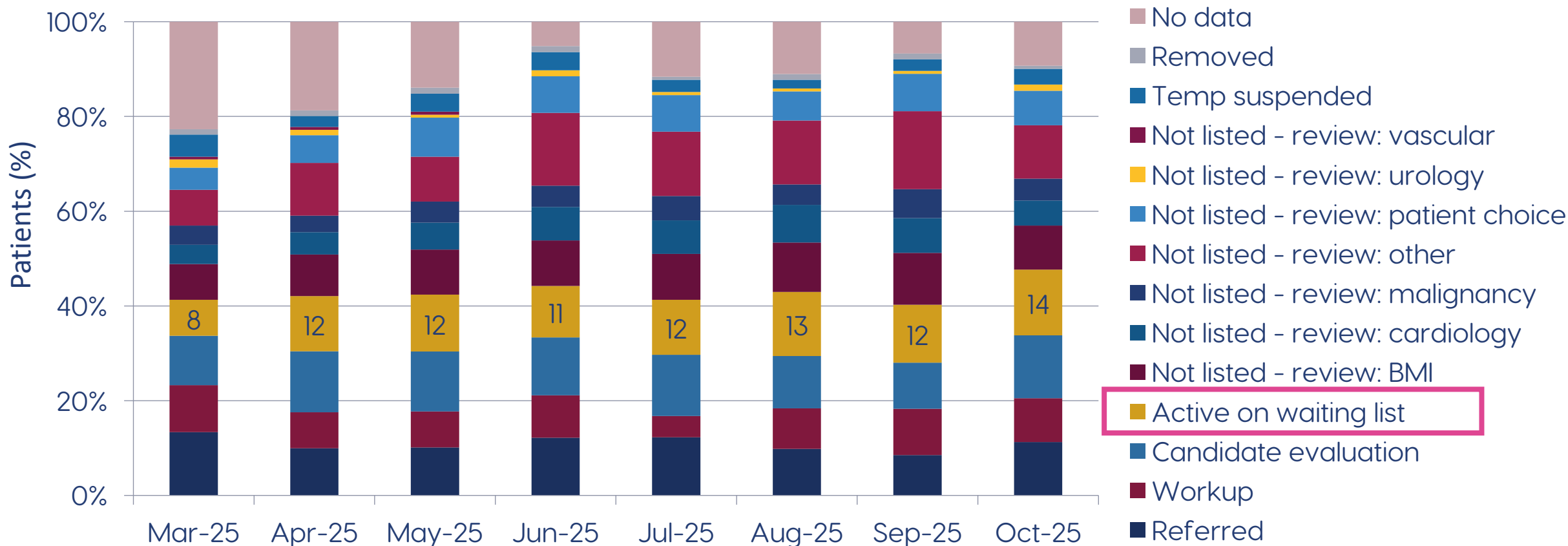


1. Accurately recording transplant status on our renal EPR, Clinical Vision
2. Revise the categories for Transplant Status field on Clinical Vision
3. Update and share the concise local guide for transplant referral process
4. Start dedicated Weight Management clinic (run by renal dietitians) focussing on AKC patients where BMI is barrier to transplantation
5. Continue to improve our newly restarted Patient Education Events, with focus on transplantation and home therapies

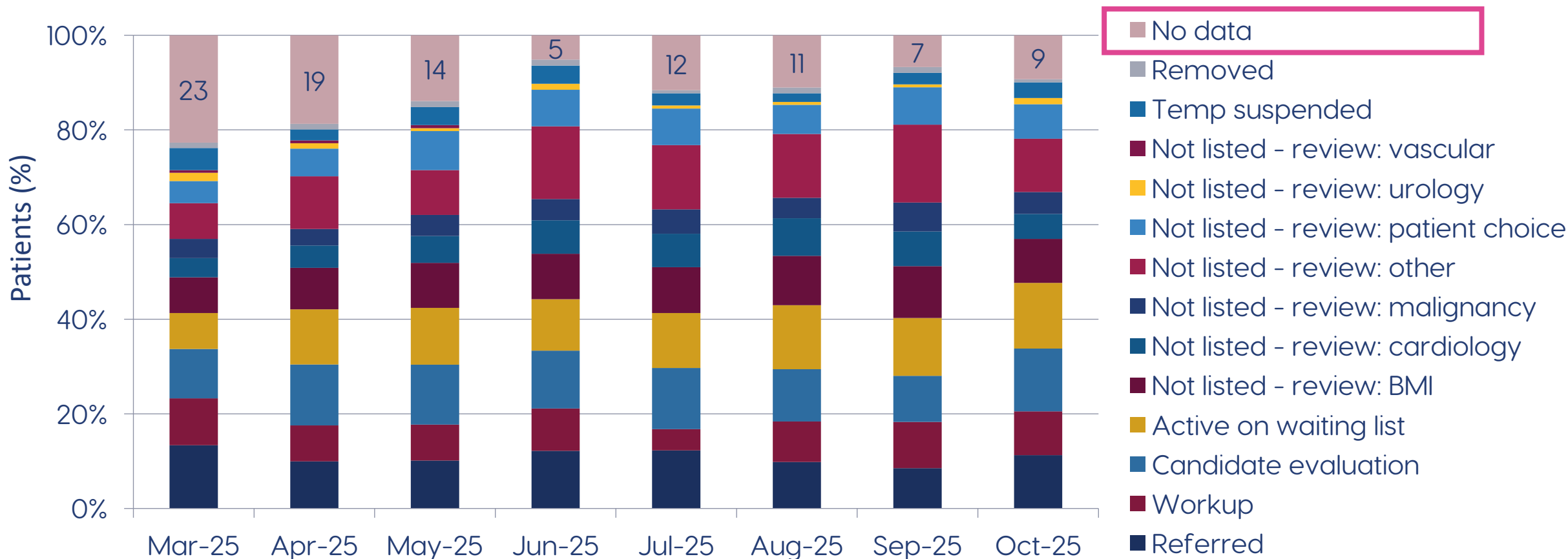
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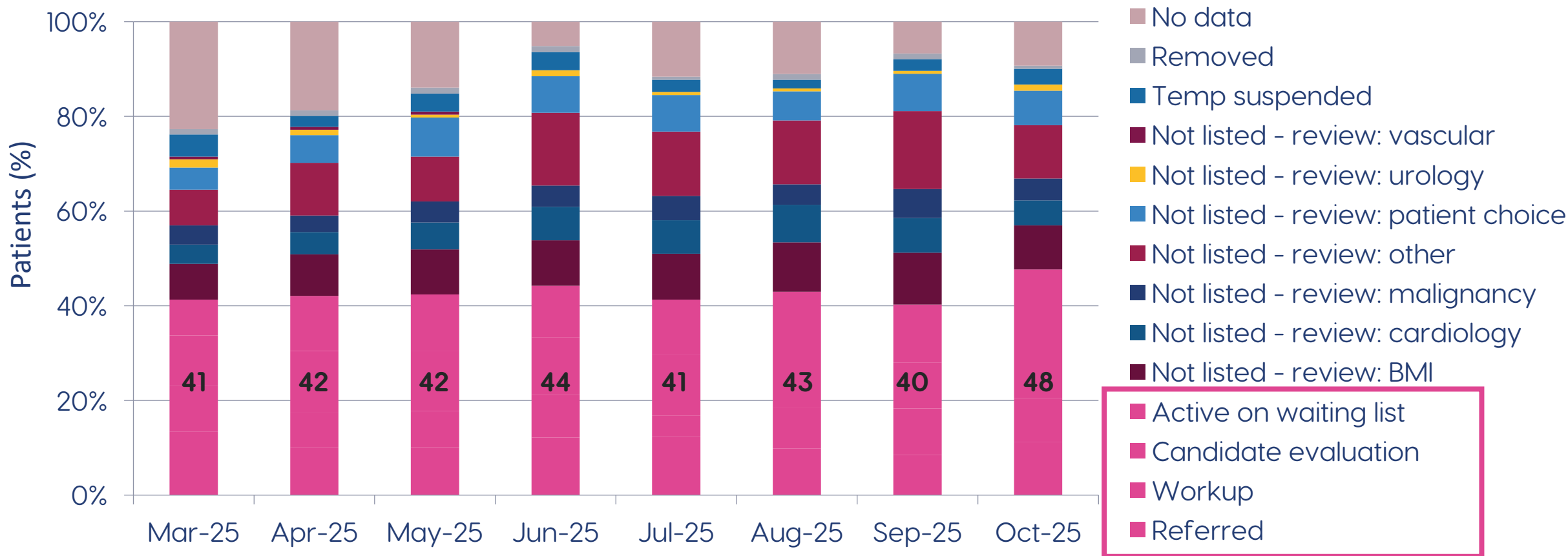
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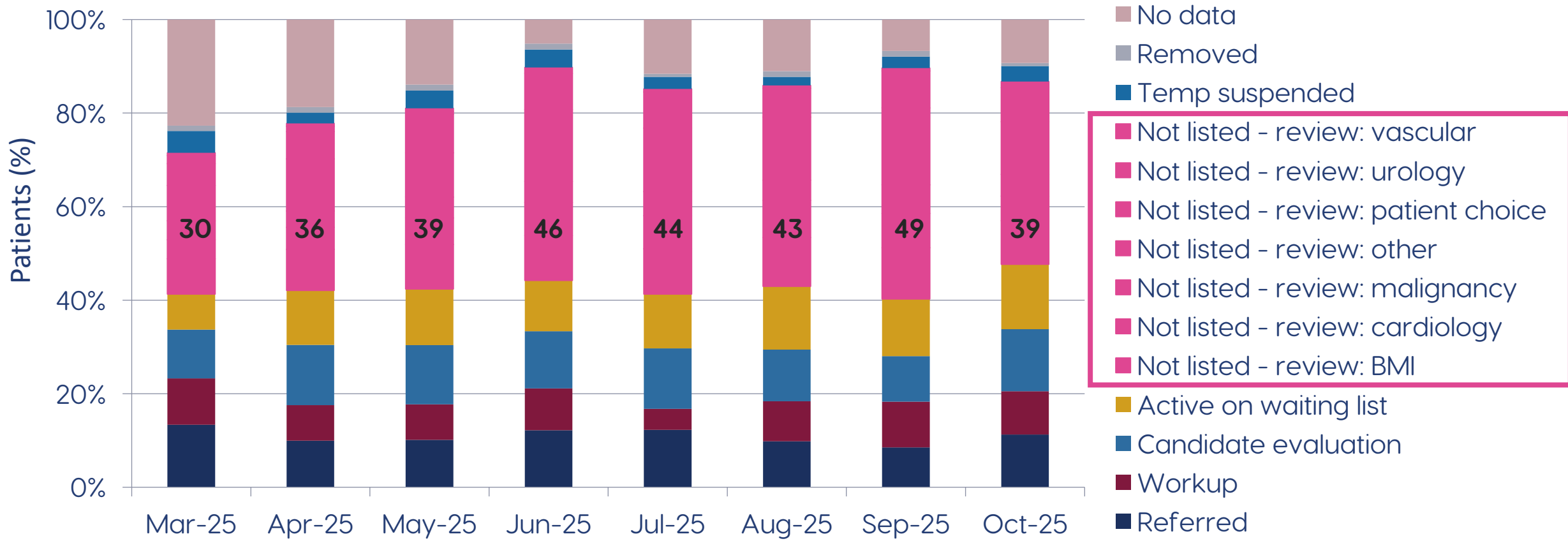
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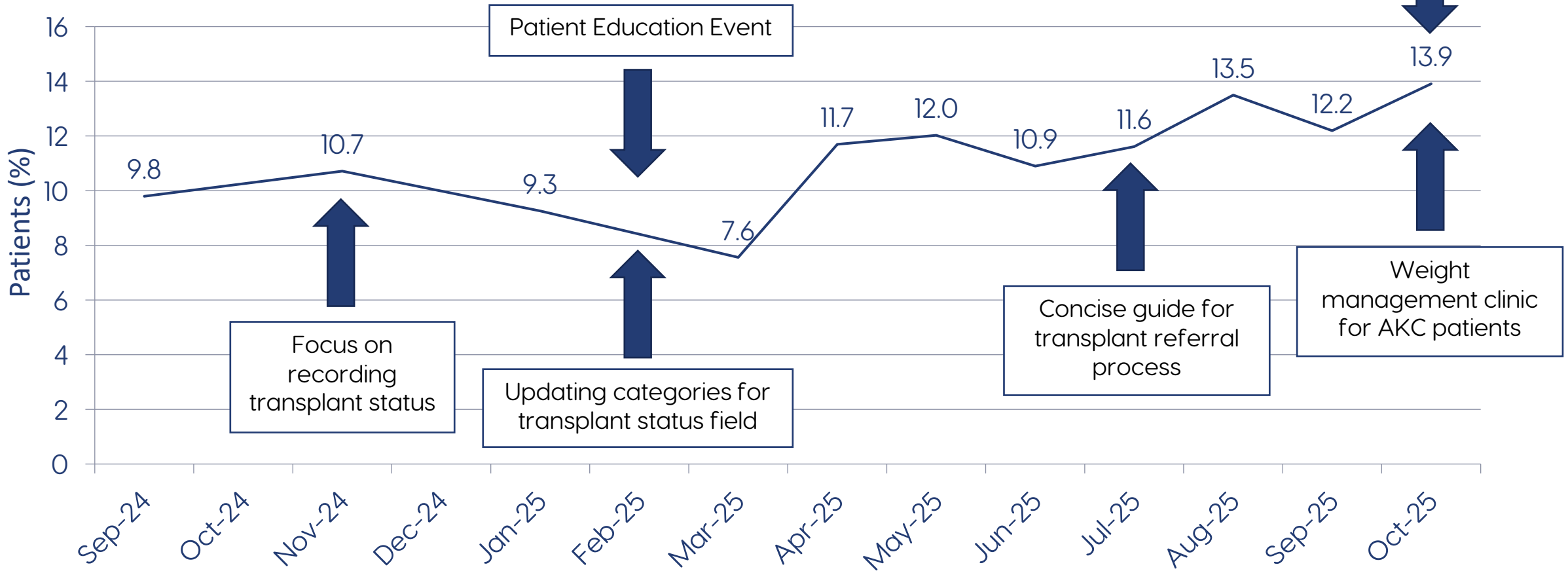
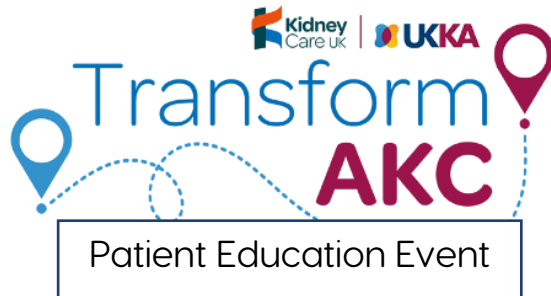
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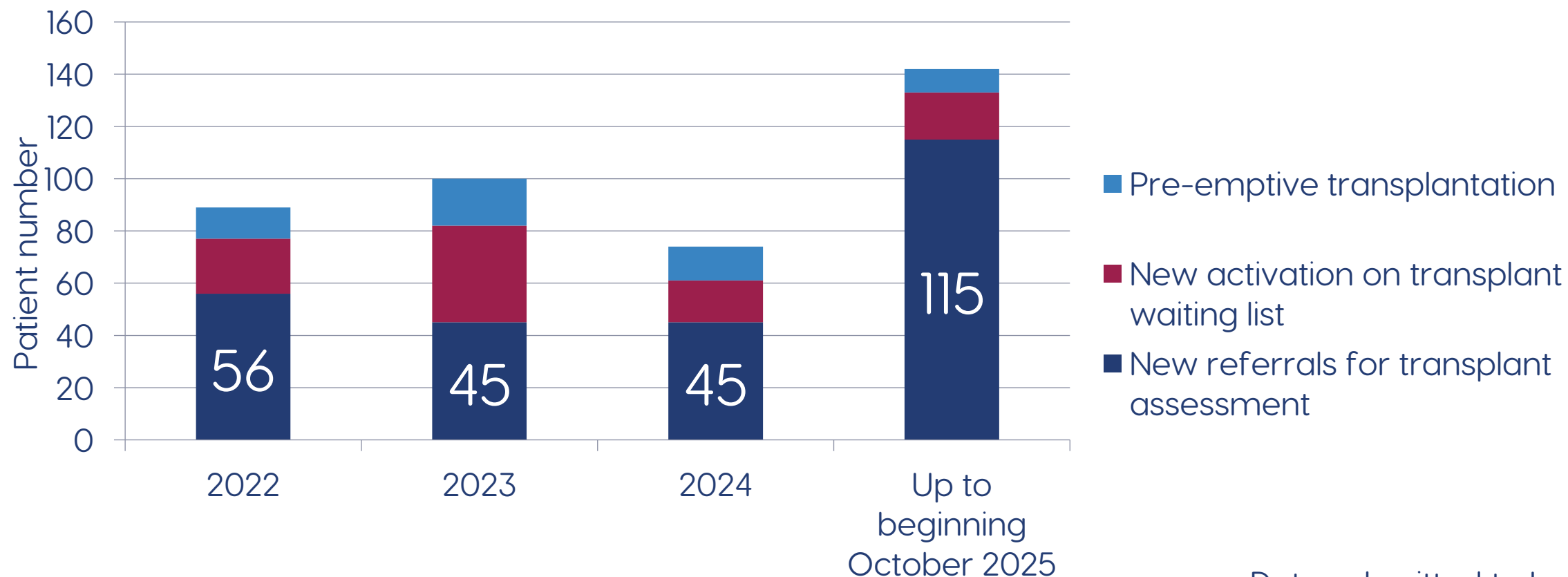
AKC patients with eGFR <15ml/min/1.73m² on a potential transplant listing pathway



AKC patients with eGFR <15ml/min/1.73m² on a potential transplant listing pathway that are active on the waiting list

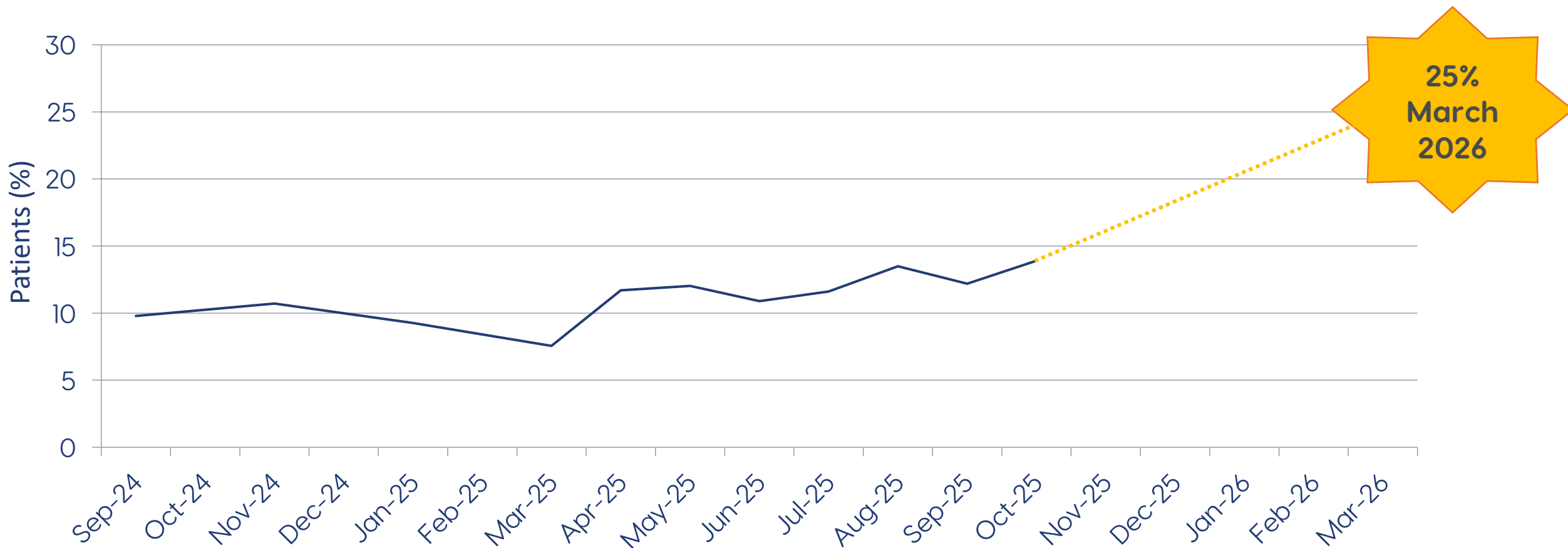


AKC patients on transplant pathway



Data submitted to London
Kidney Network

Next steps ... 25% by March 2026



Next steps



- Automate the process to collect monthly data on
 - Time from referral to transplant nurse-led review
 - Time from nurse-led review to assessment by transplant-centre nephrologist/surgeon
 - Time from transplant-centre nephrologist/surgeon review to listing suitability decision
- Weight as a barrier to transplant listing
- Cardiology investigations as barrier to transplant listing
- Increase capacity for face to face transplant nurse clinics



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