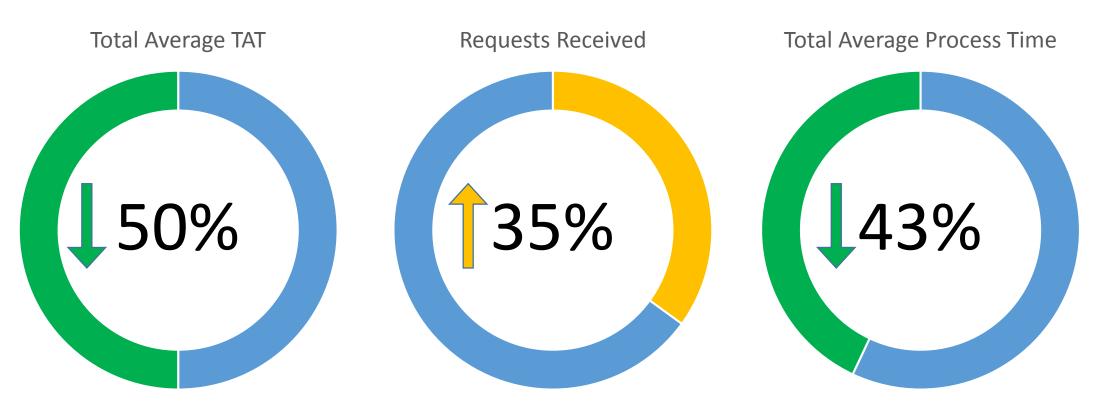
Operations report

September 9, 2016



HFSC at a glance: 2016 compared to 2015





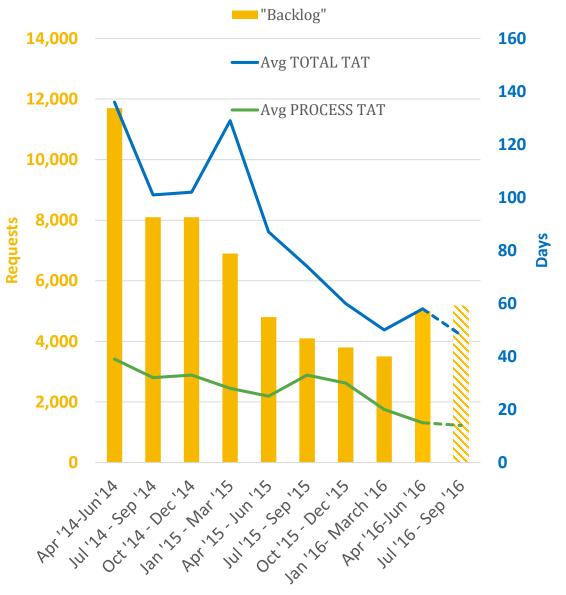
Total average TAT include all sections averaged from the start of the calendar year to present measuring the turn around time from the request by the agency to report. In CY 15 the TAT was 109 days on average and 54 days in CY16.

Requests received is the total of all requests received in the Calendar year. In CY15 this was 17,600 in CY 16, 24,000.

Total average process time approximates the time from when the laboratory starts processing to reporting. In CY 15 the average process time was 28 days, CY 16 was 16 days

From the start of HFSC

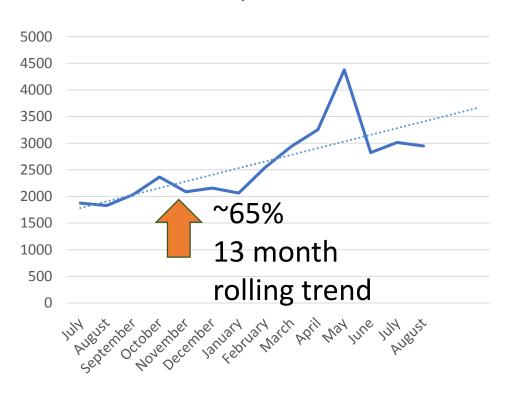
- 64% in Avg TOTAL Turnaround time
- 55% in backlogged requests
- 64% in Avg PROCESS Turnaround time
- -64% in WAIT gap



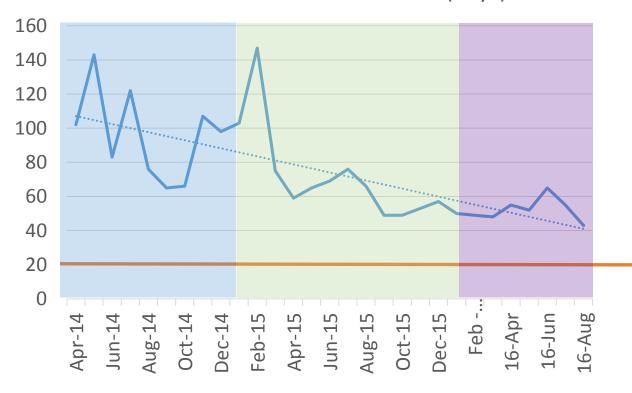


Requests received

Total requests received



Total AVERAGE Turnaround time (days)



August 2016– 43 days, lowest monthly average all-in TAT on record.



New LIMS coming

- Qualtrax installed, onsite training for end users is underway
- Selected JusticeTrax as the LIMS provider
- Contract negotiations are proceeding
- Gathering end user requirements and workflow data



Work Ready to Work

- Increase visibility of remediation of incoming work
- Rejection rates
 - Requests that are fundamentally flawed and regardless the quality of lab work would still be flawed
 - Question of identity
 - Inappropriate sample
- Remediation rates
 - Requests that need something additional to be ready to work or need some additional input for us to be able to complete

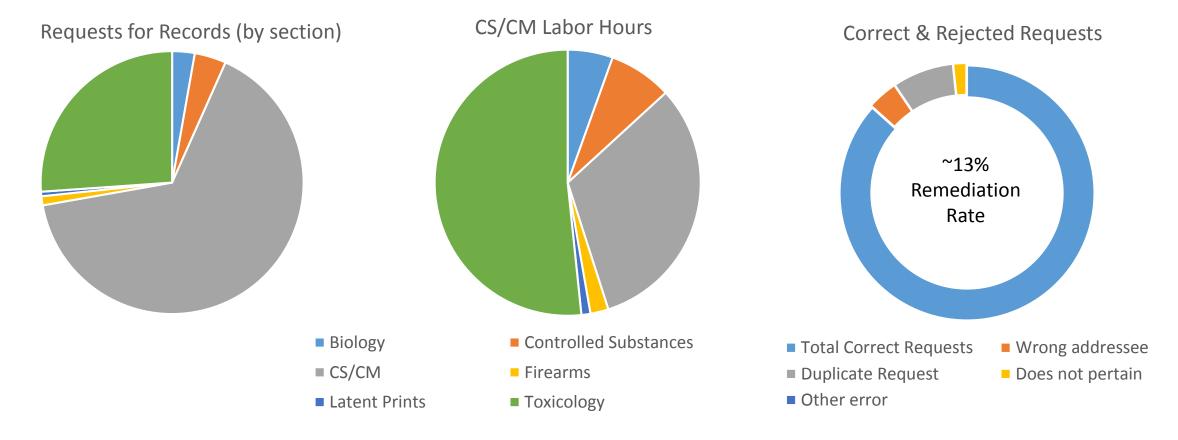


Work ready to Work

- Using "Administrative Close" numbers as a surrogate for remediation.
 - PROBABLY underestimates and is not perfect.
 - At least gives some indication of trend and relative scale
- 2016 CY to date: 1,794 admin closed requests
- Since July 2015: 715 rejected specimens from toxicology (246 CY 16)
- Easily could equate to 2-3 FTE's handling remediation

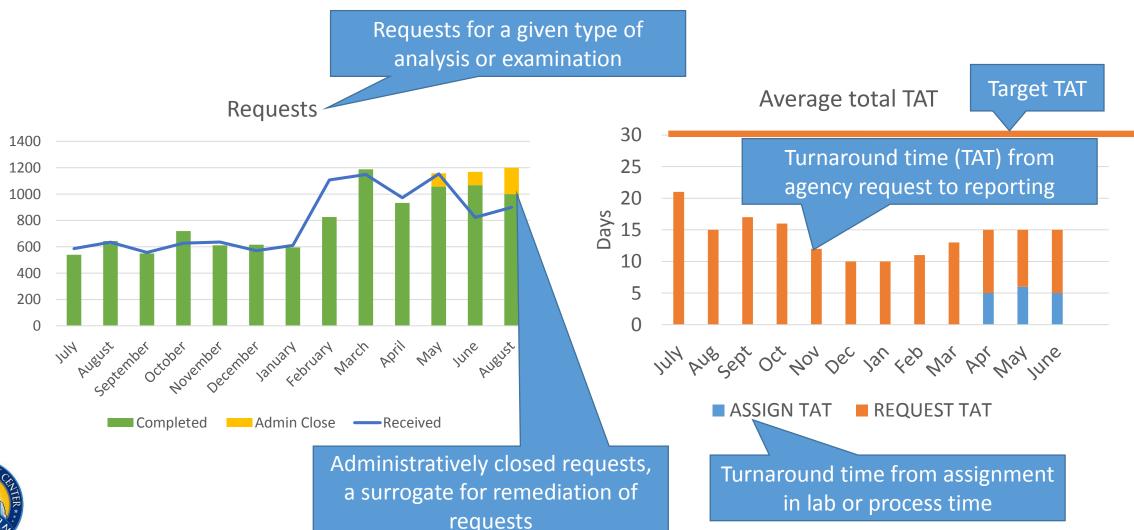


Client Services/Case Management (August)



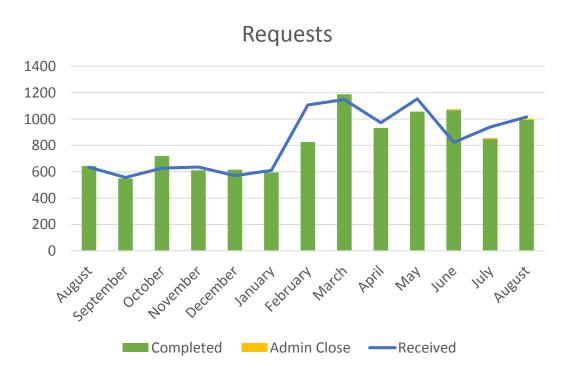


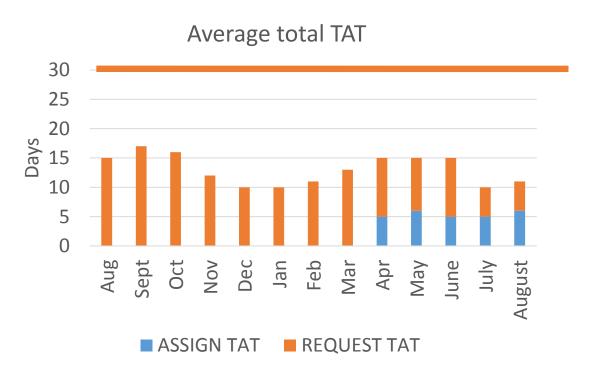
Explanation of graphs





Controlled substances

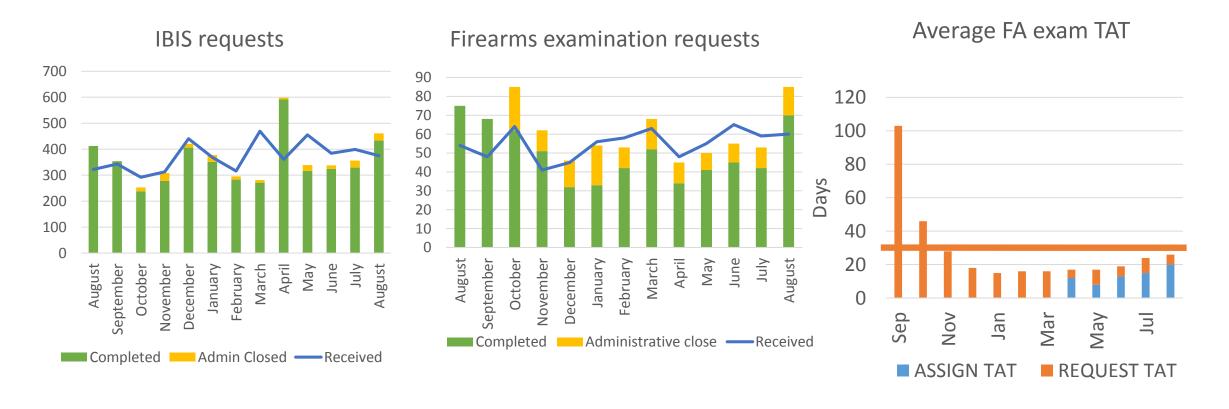






□ 0.5% of requests require commenting about issues in the submitted evidence. Very rare to reject.

Firearms

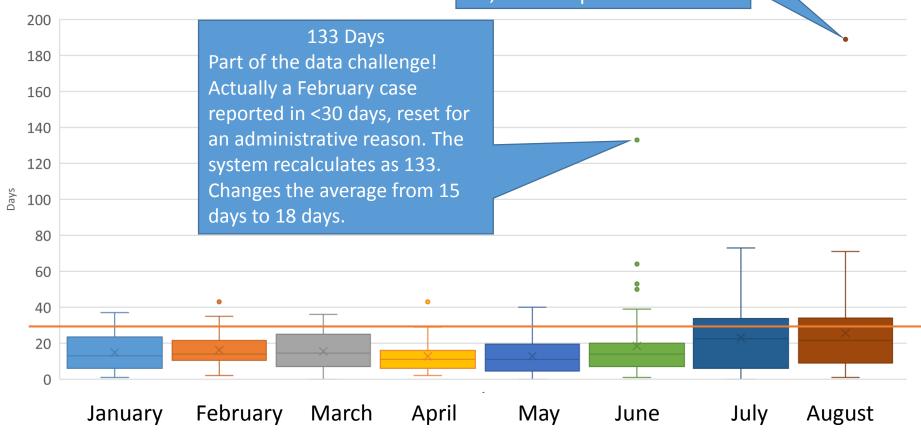




☐ 43 of 447 requests administratively closed. ~10% remediation rate.

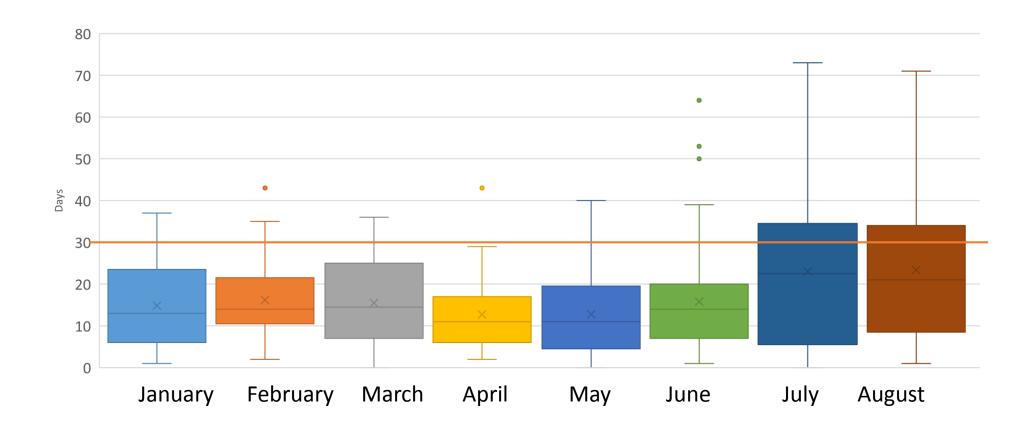
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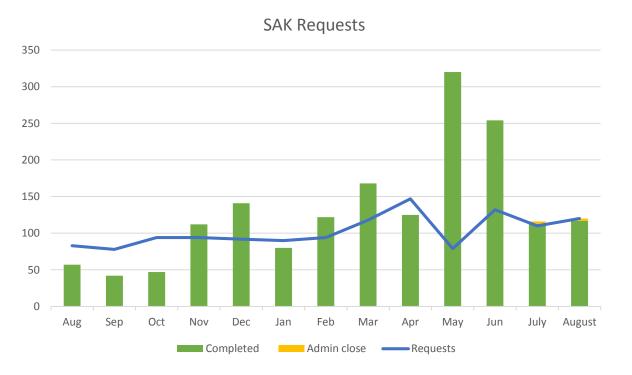


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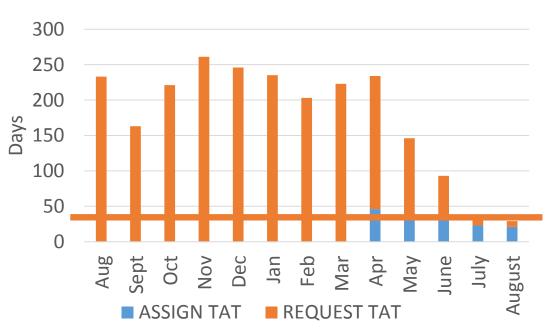




Biology



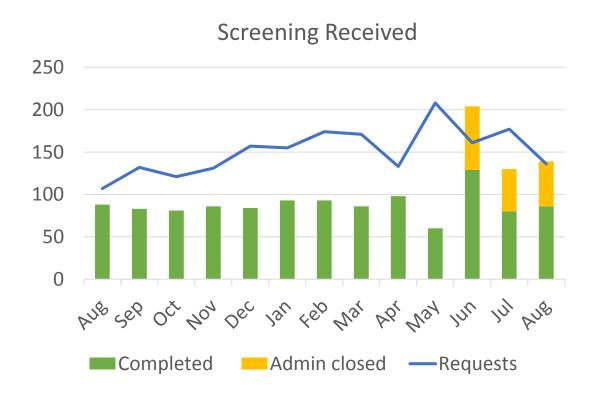
Average total TAT

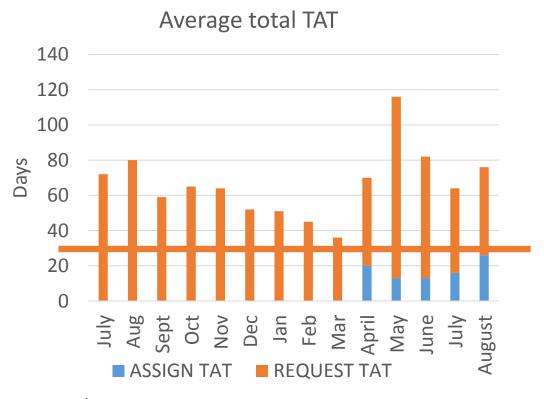




□ ~2% of requests require some remediation (3 admin closed). Very rare to reject.

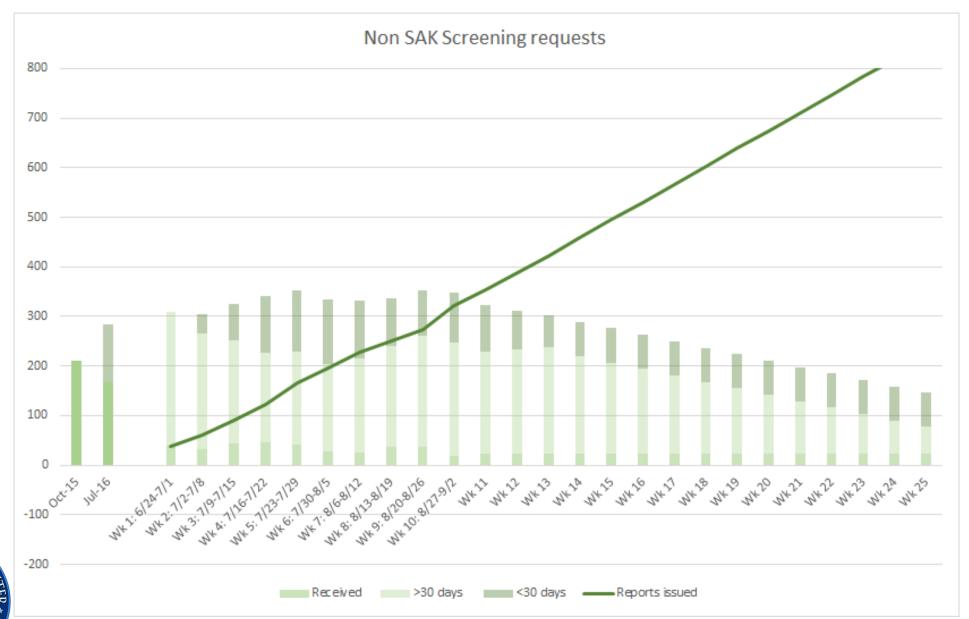
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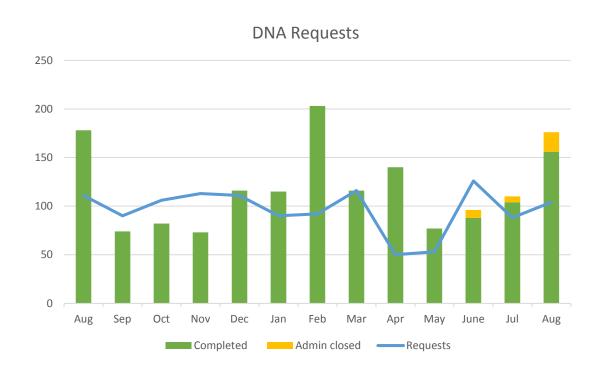


☐ Almost all (~99%) of screening requests require remediation.

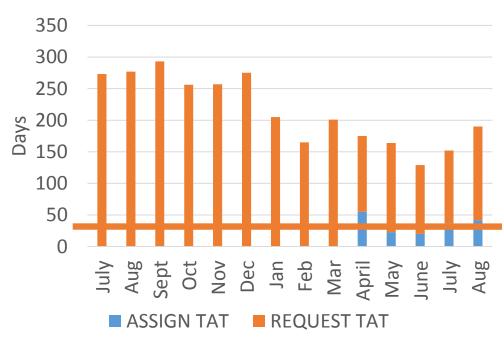




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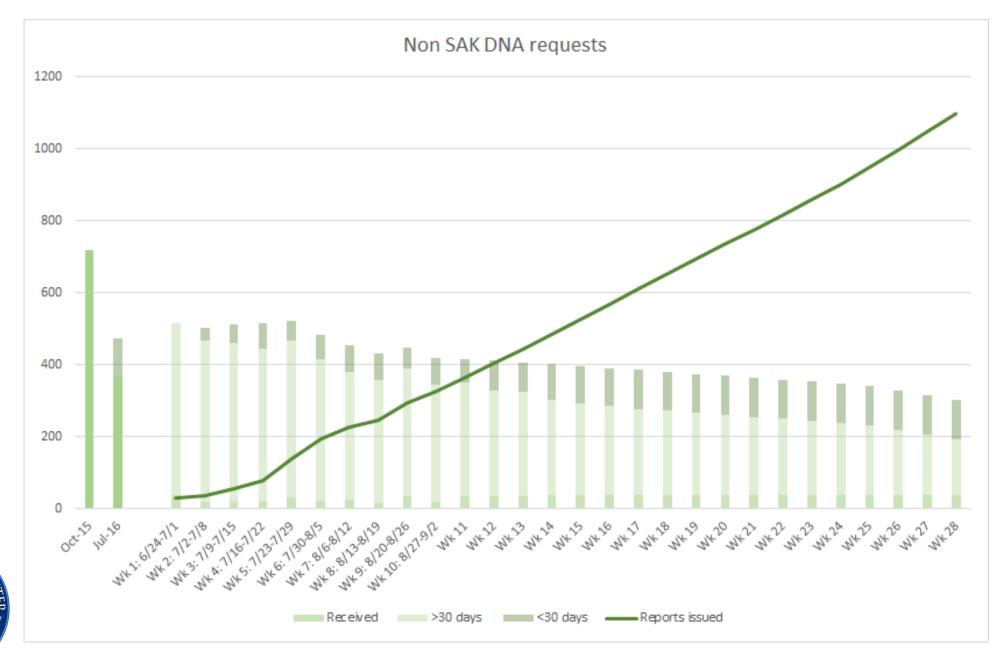


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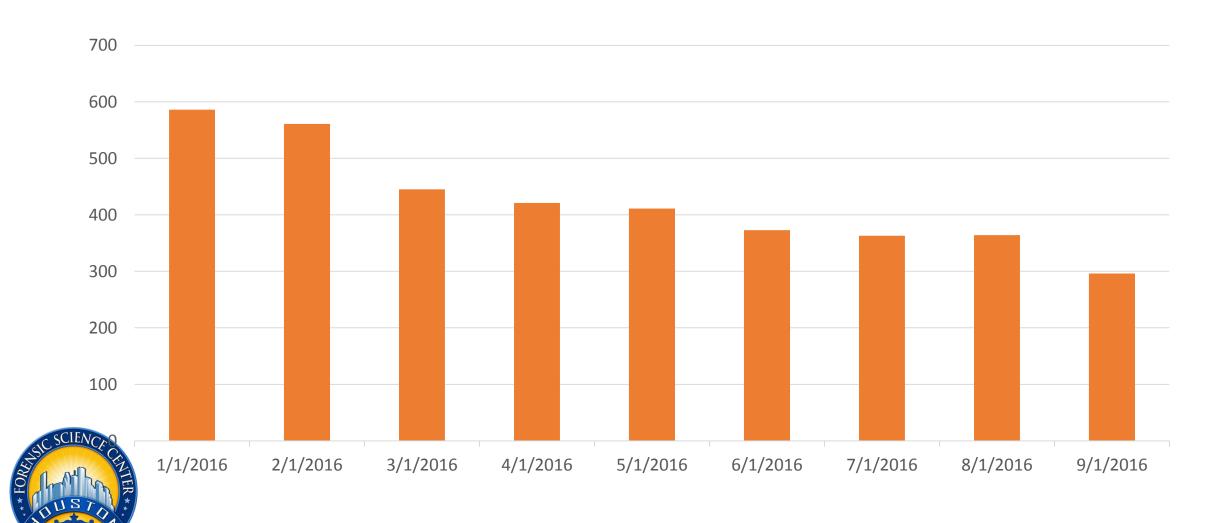


☐ Very rare to remediate DNA requests. Most DNA requests stem from screening requests, so most issues are resolved by this stage. Still a 6-15% admin close rate.

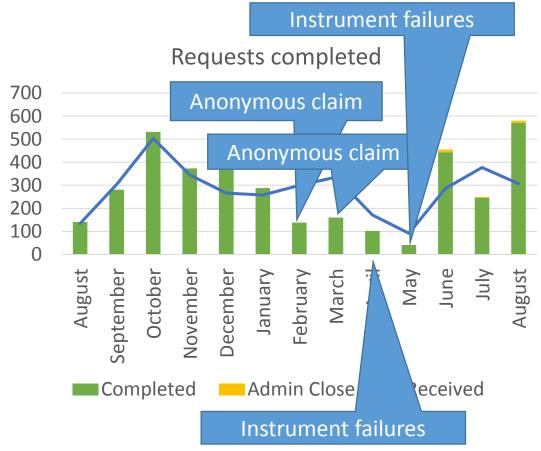




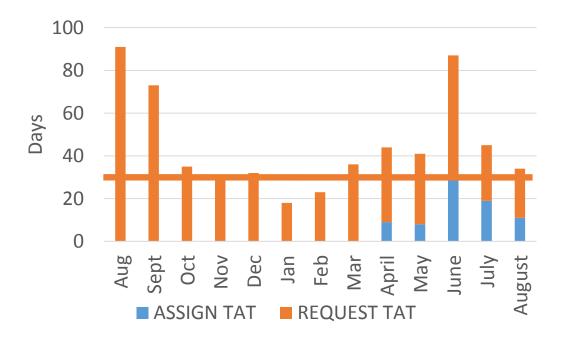
Non-SAK DNA Backlog requests by month



Toxicology: Alcohol



Average total TAT





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Welcome to the Houston Forensic Science Center Electronic Records Warehouse.

This is a beta site that will continue to expand and develop over time.

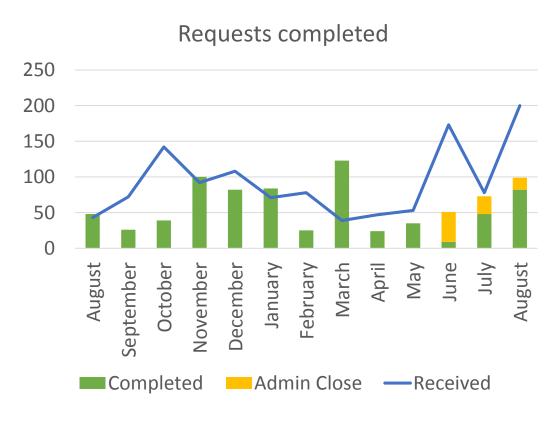
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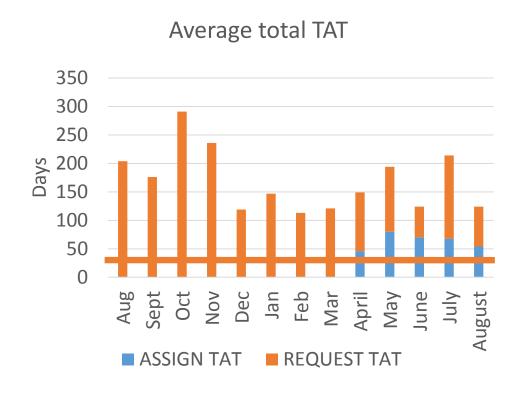
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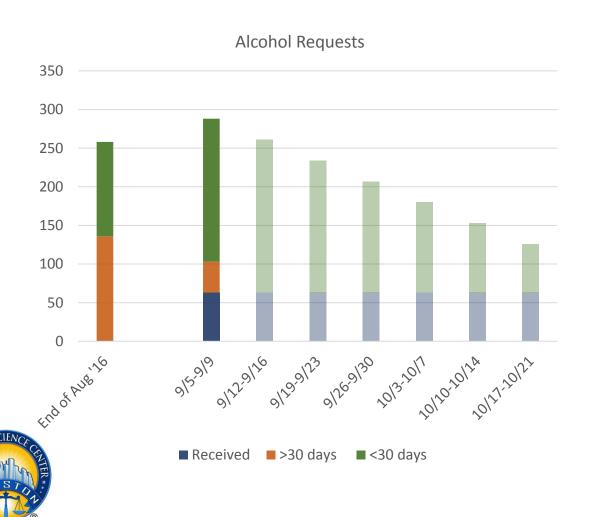
Toxicology: Additional drug testing

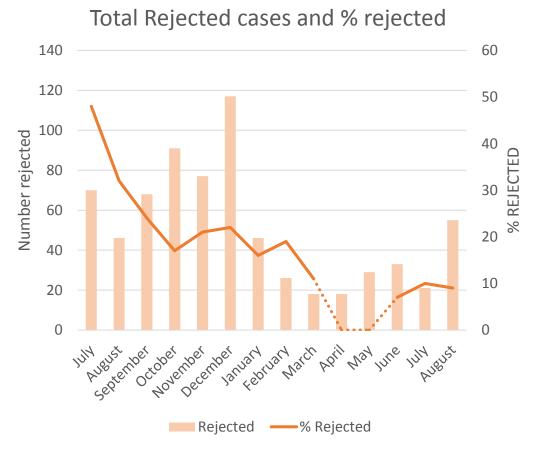






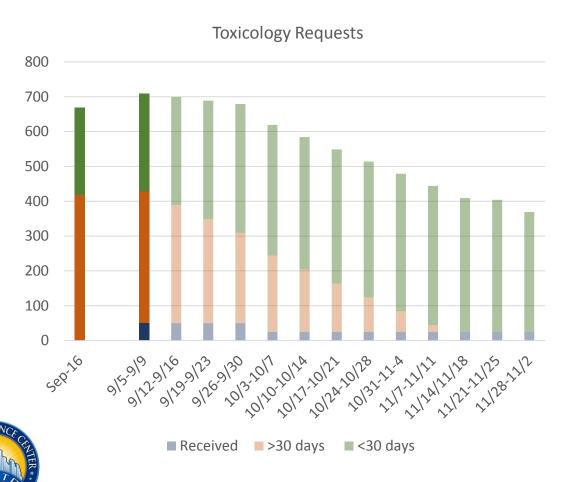
Toxicology: Alcohol Backlog and rejections





~10% still legacy kits (25% rejection rate). ~8% rejection rate on new kits.

Toxicology: Drug requests (DUID and DFSA)



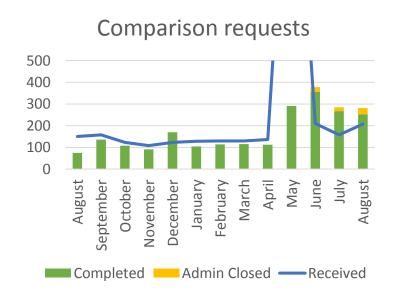
Estimated Completion of Project

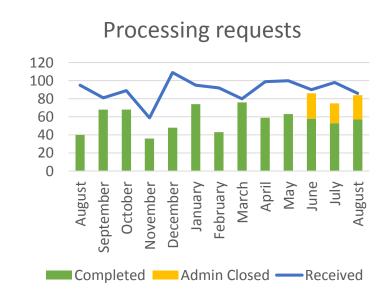
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Wk 2	9/19/2016	Cocaine Confirm + GC-MS Drug Screen #1
Wk 3	9/26/2016	
Wk 4	10/3/2016	Training of the third ELISA analyst
Wk 5	10/17/2016	Amphetamine Confirm
Wk 6	10/24/2016	
Wk 7	10/31/2016	Opioid Confirm
Wk 8	11/7/2016	
Wk 9	11/14/2016	
Wk 10	11/21/2016	
		Benzodiazepine Confirm + LC-QTOF Drug
Wk 11	11/28/2016	Screen (Dr. Rearden)
Wk 12	12/5/2016	
Wk 13	12/12/2016	
Wk 14	12/19/2016	Cross-training of drug analysts
Wk 15	12/26/2016	Cross-training or drug analysts
Wk 16	1/2/2017	
Wk 17	1/9/2017	
Wk 18	1/16/2017	
Wk 19	1/23/2017	Paperwork (authorization memos, laboratory
Wk 20	1/30/2017	forms, worksheets, report templates, SOPs)
	2/1/2017	Drug Casework
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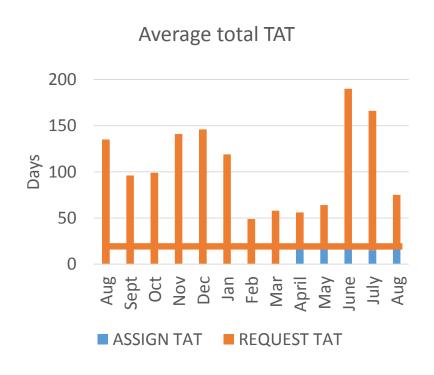
An additional ~300 urine samples in DFSA kits that predate HFSC



Latents



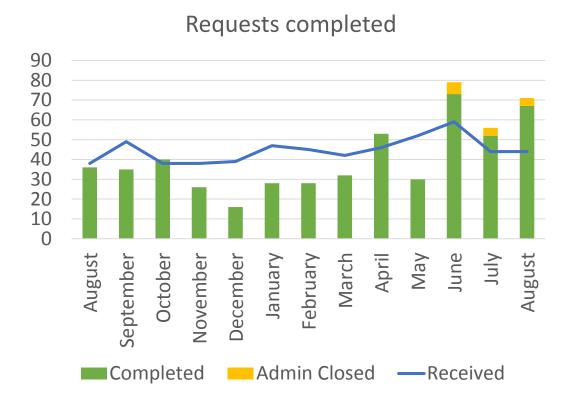






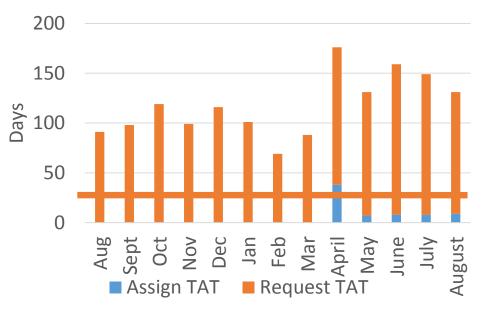
- □ ~15-20% of requests require some kind of remediation.
- ☐ Greater implementation of investigative lead reports
- ☐ County AFIS connection progress. VPN and printer issues.

Digital



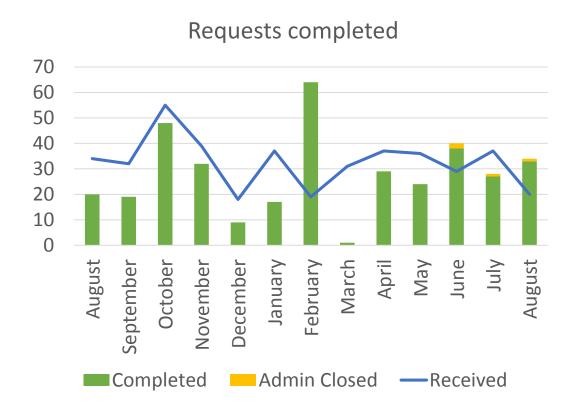


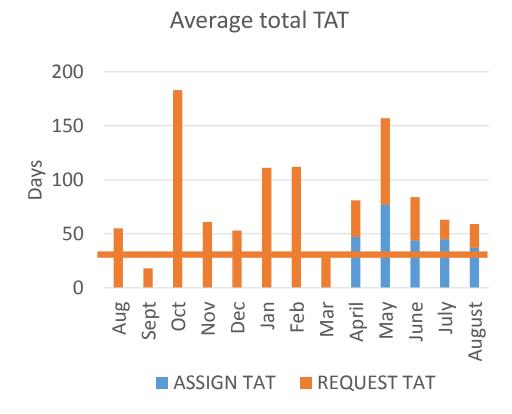






A/V





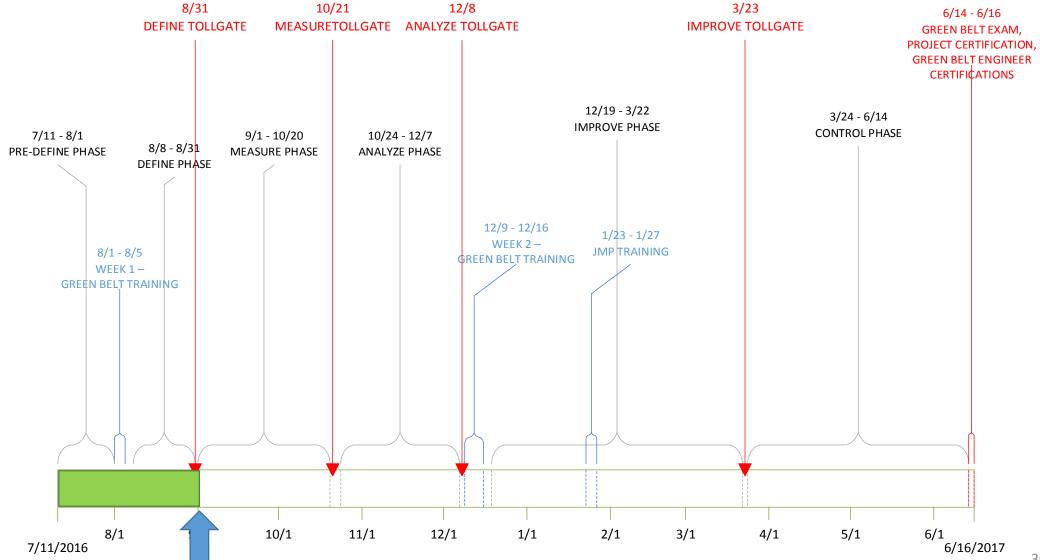


Facility



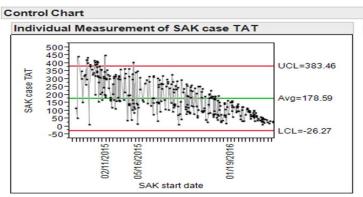
- 25th floor supply room complete
 - RFID pilot
 - Common supply
 - CSU supplies
- 26th floor changes, dependent on
 - Sufficient power Meeting with GSD, MAY be some good news
 - Sufficient venting
 - Sufficient cooling

Lean Six Sigma project (BIOLOGY)





Run Chart SAK TAT by Date Request Received Project



PLUG VALUE: SPEC LIMITS LSL= 0 days TARGET = 30 days USL = blank days

