

Update to HASC

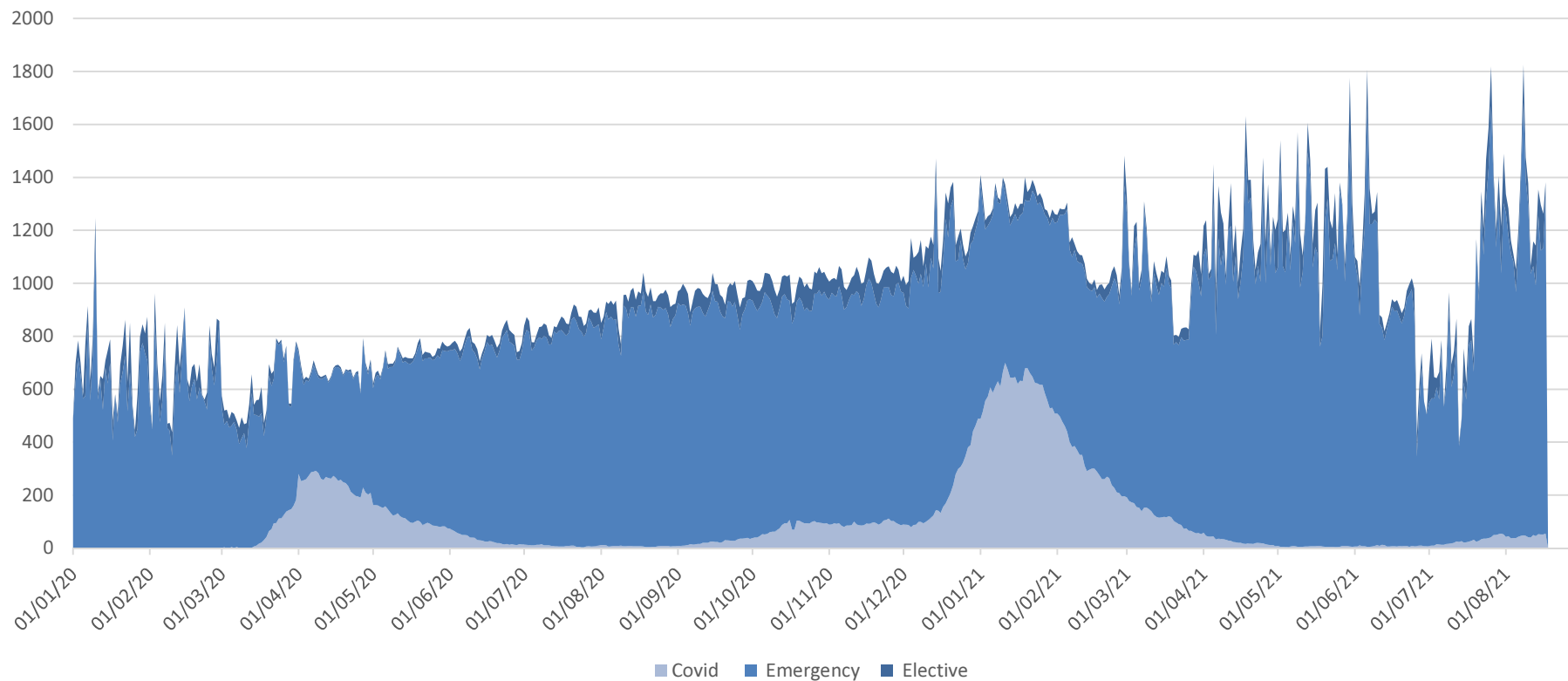
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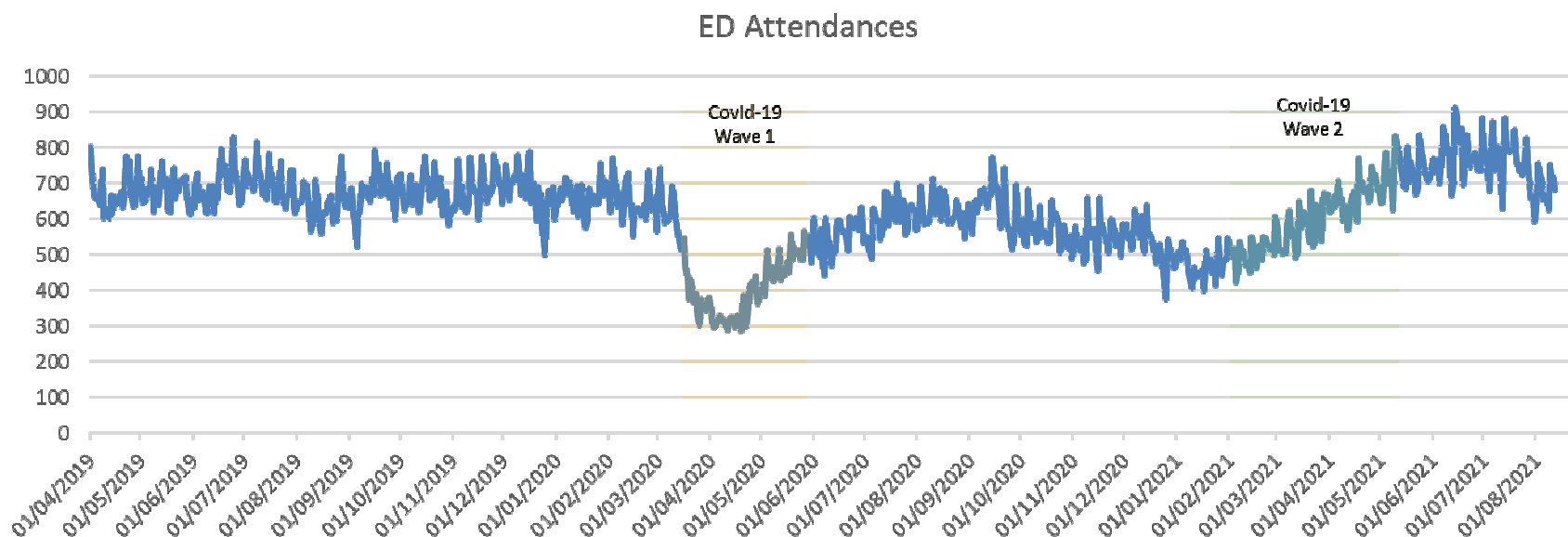
Covid-19 Impact

- Covid-19 positive inpatients in the Trust have increased – now around 70, majority on WPH site
 - Community prevalence of Covid-19 has continued to increase across all locations in the Trust footprint.
 - Prevalence has increased more markedly in Slough and WAM where vaccination rates are also lower.
- FHFT staff continue to wear appropriate PPE at all times and surgical masks in all areas unless occupying an office or other area alone
- Visitors and patients are asked to wear appropriate face coverings/surgical masks whenever possible
- Patient visiting now re established with strict IPC process
- Internal 'test and trace' process continues in line with PHE guidance
- Twice weekly lateral flow testing for patient facing staff continues
- Covid-19 vaccination uptake by FHFT 92% for first dose and 84% second dose

FHFT Activity

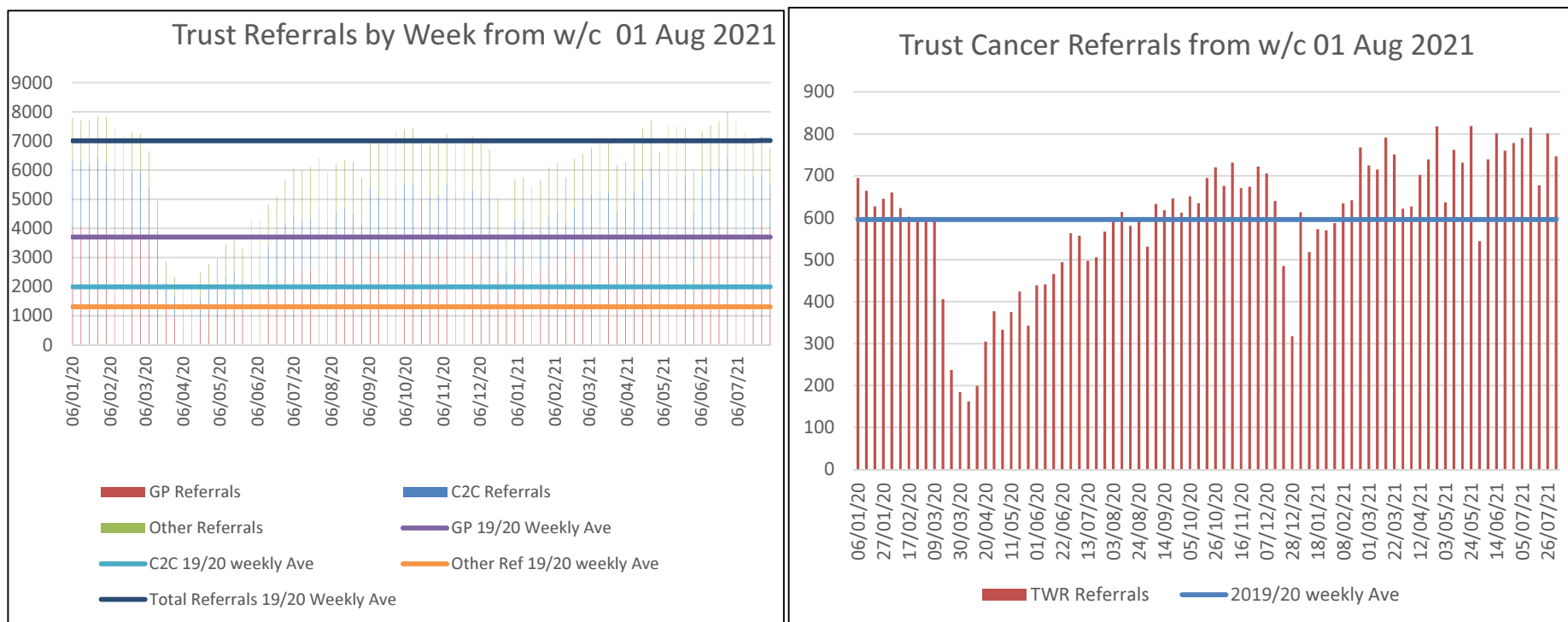


- Covid-19 inpatient cohort has increased but remains low comparative to previous waves
- Unprecedented impact on capacity and flexibility of acute sites – prolonged impact on recovery work.



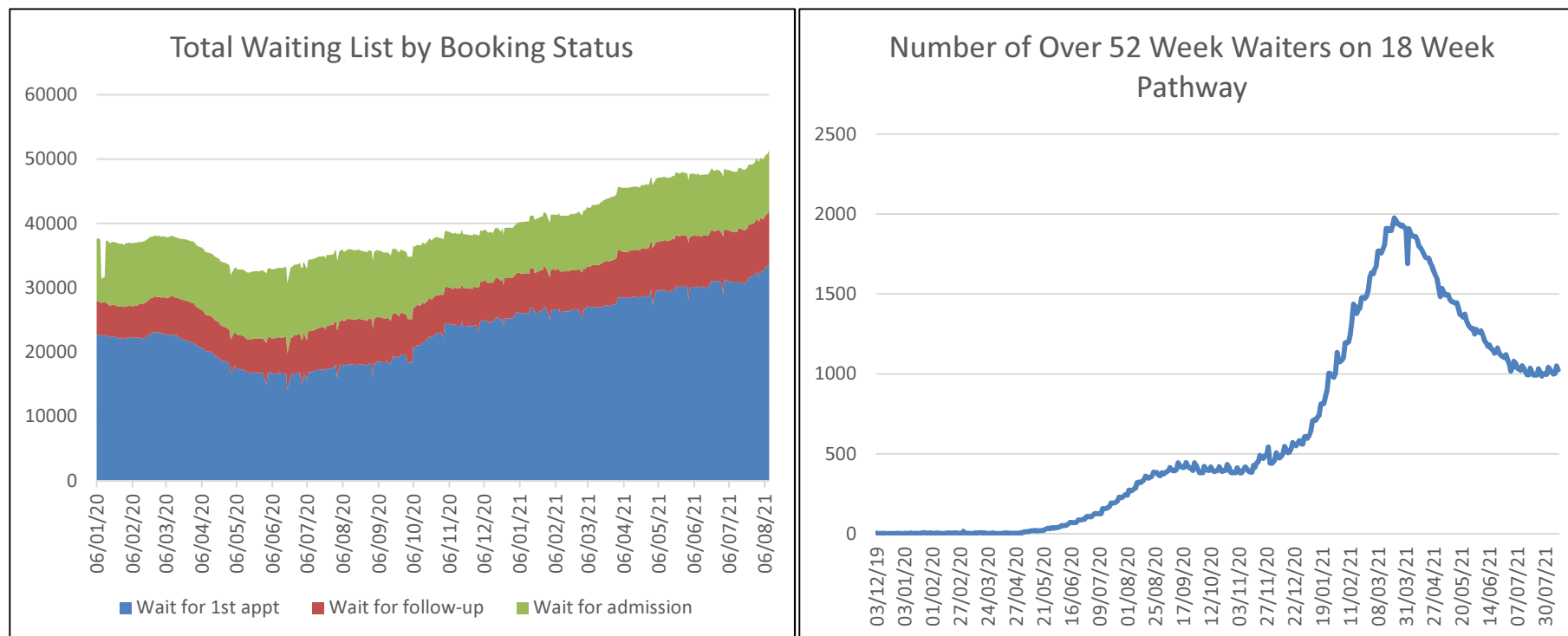
- Emergency Department attendances peaked in July but have reduced through August.
 - Ambulance conveyances have remained steady, with the increase in ED attendance mainly driven by 'walk in' attendances.
- However, attendances remain approximately 7% higher than the levels of activity seen pre Covid-19

Elective Referrals



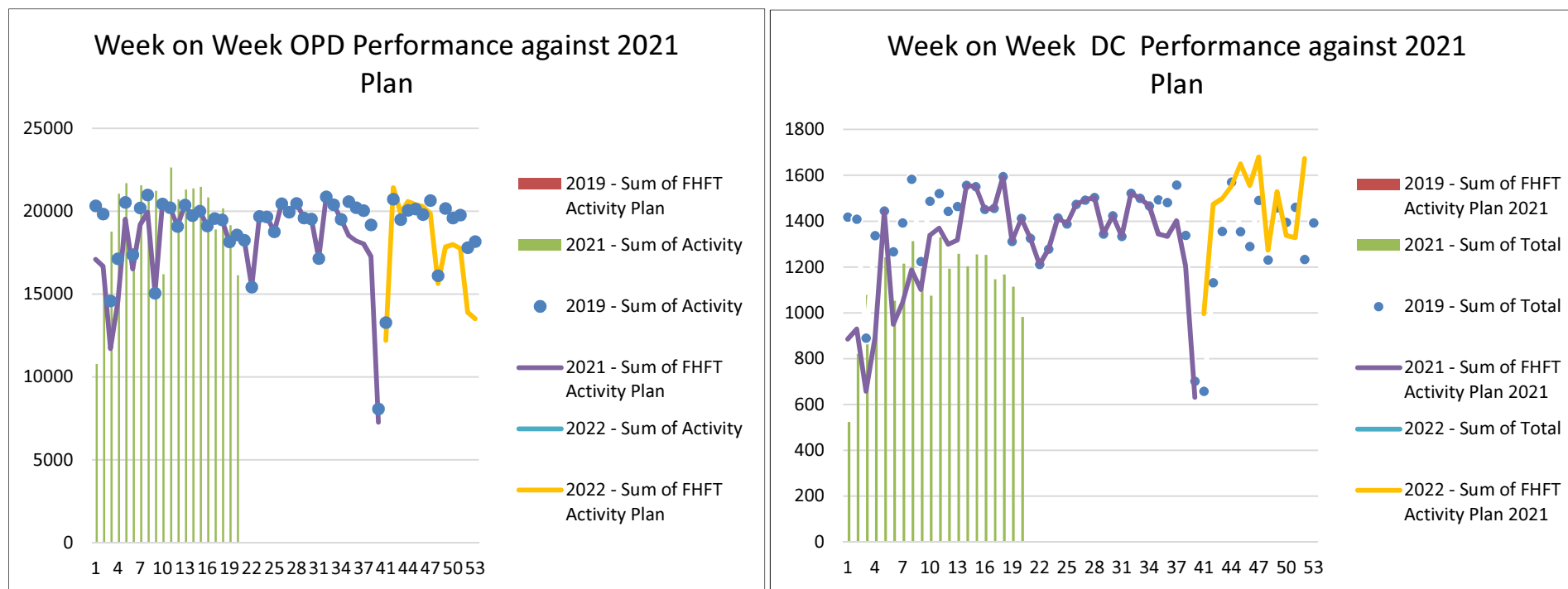
- Referrals dropped significantly in wave 1 and to a lesser extent in wave 2, but have returned to previous levels.
- GPs and Hospital doctors have been working to review referral pathways and reduce avoidable referrals
- Campaigns to encourage people to present with symptoms of possible cancer have helped to increase referrals after each wave
 - TWR referrals are running significantly above 19/20 average levels.

Waiting Lists



- The total number of patients on the waiting list has grown with many waiting for their first appointment
- The number of patients waiting more than a year for treatment has reduced following Wave 2 but is now showing a small rise: planning is underway to seek additional capacity
- Patients who have had no progress in the last 3 months have been contacted and offered a telephone review
- Early analysis has shown that patients likely to be subject to health inequalities have not been disadvantaged, with more detailed analysis in progress

Elective Activity



- Good levels of activity are being achieved
- Work is underway to increase activity to above previous levels
- More patients are being seen virtually, freeing up space for more clinics
- All but one of our theatres are now back in use
- Treatments that can now be completed outside operating theatres have been moved to outpatient activity in order to free theatre space for other procedures.