

## Study Reports Improvement in D2B Times for Myocardial Infarction



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Over a span of five years, the initiative to improve door-to-balloon time for people experiencing out-of-hospital myocardial infarction has resulted in significantly lower transport and treatment times, a nationwide analysis showed.

From 2005 to 2010, door-to-balloon time declined from a median of 96 minutes to 64 minutes, reported Harlan R. Krumholz, MD, from Yale University School of Medicine, and colleagues.

Moreover, there were corresponding increases in the percentage of patients who had times under 90 minutes (44.2% to 91.4%), as well as under 75 minutes (27.3% to 70.4%), according to the study published online in *Circulation: Journal of the American Heart Association*.

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