



Future direction of the district health care system

Role of the primary care doctors and family physicians in this system



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Current Situation



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Strengths



52 Districts across 9 provinces

- Mostly functional and render good service
- Management structures in place
- Clinical services strengthened by DCSTs
- Community services strengthened by WBPHCOTs and school health team
- Health Information management and use greatly improved
- Medicines are available
- Functional facility oversight committees providing community representation



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Many Weaknesses



- Service delivery platform
 - Package of services
 - Role of environmental health
 - Supervision
 - Essential equipment



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Many Weaknesses



- Health information management and use
 - Methods of data collection and data quality must be further improved



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Many Weaknesses (continued)



- Human Resources
 - Management Structures at district level
 - Need to complete WISN process
 - Rational distribution of staff
 - Obtain funding for required positions
 - Ensure required management and clinical skills



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Many Weaknesses (continued)



- Finances and asset management
 - Required delegations, management tools, skills
 - Required accountability



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Many Weaknesses (continued)



- Governance and Leadership
 - Delegations
- Community Ownership
 - Functional facility oversight committees providing community representation
- Partnerships for health
 - Coordination of NGOs
 - Coordination with other government departments
 - Coordination with private sector



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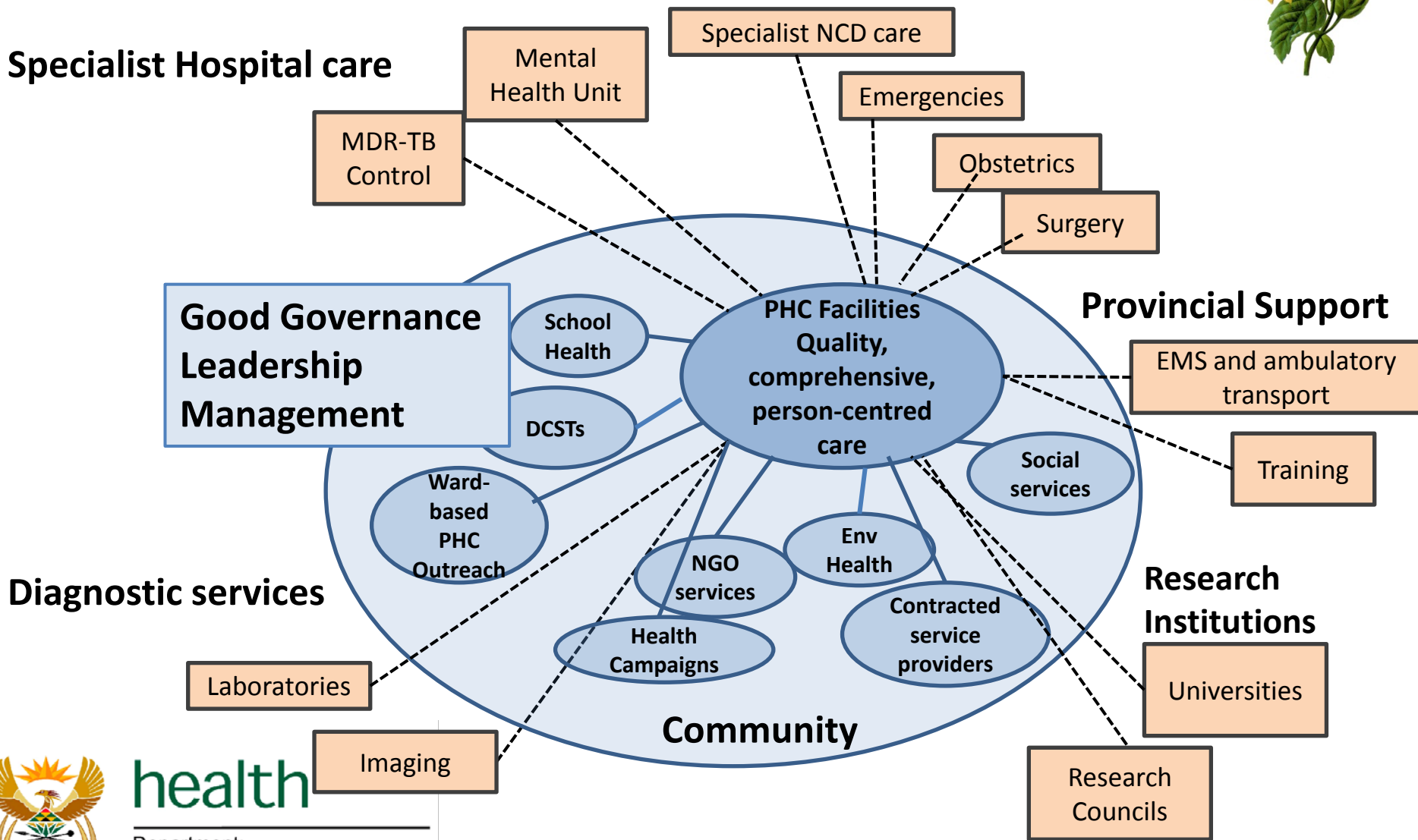
Going Forward



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DISTRICT HEALTH SYSTEM



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The Ideal PHC Facility – starting with the Ideal Clinic



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DESCRIPTION



- A clinic that ensures the provision of quality health services to the community through:
 - Good infrastructure
 - Adequate staff
 - Adequate medicine and supplies
 - Adequate bulk supplies
 - Good administrative processes
 - Use of applicable policies, protocols, guidelines pertaining to diagnoses and treatment
 - Leveraging partner and stakeholder support
 - Cooperation with other government departments as well as with the private sector and non-governmental organizations to address the social determinants of health



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District Health System that Supports the Ideal PHC Facility



- Capable District Management Team
- PTICRM
- Improved Procurement System
- Functional referral System



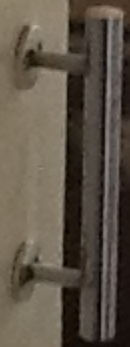
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Primary Health Care

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ACT NOW STOP FLU! VACCINATE AGAINST FLU!

HELP US CONTROL MEASLES

Know your HIV status. Together we can stop the virus.

DIAGNOSTIC EDUCATION Planning and Work



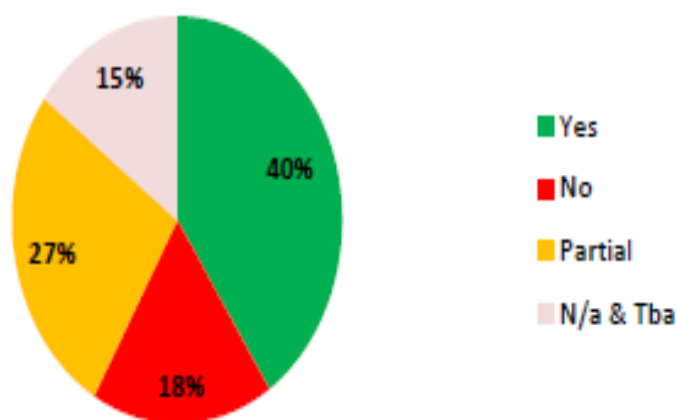
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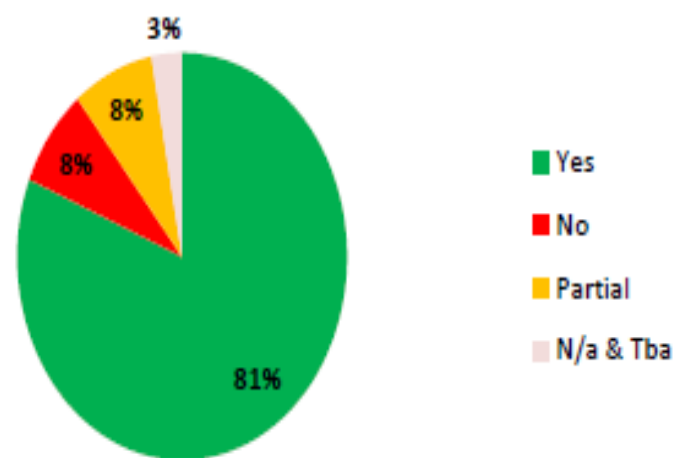
- Have the required **administrative processes** to ensure efficiency and effectiveness
- Have good **infrastructure** (building in good form, adequate space, essential equipment, and information and communication network and tools) to provide the required services
- Ensure continuity of care through an effective **patient information system**
- **Integrate the services and functions** of the district clinical specialist team (DCST), school health team and municipal ward based primary health care outreach teams (WBPHCOT) to improve population health outcomes
- Provide **integrated chronic disease management** (ICDM) to deliver integrated, patient centered care to patients with chronic diseases, encompassing the full value chain of continuum of care and support through the application and use **of up-to-date clinical guidelines and protocols**
- Have the required **medicines, supplies and laboratory support**
- Have **adequate staff** who have the **required skills** and uphold high standards of **professional etiquette**
- Have a **doctor available** for the required sessions per week
- **Co-operate with stakeholders** in the community to ensure quality comprehensive PHC services
- Have the required **District Health Support Systems** available to it
- [Implications for National Health Insurance](#)

SUMMARY PERCENTAGES	July '13	Aug '13	Sept '13	Oct '13	Nov '13	Jan '14	Feb '14
Yes	41%	41%	49%	51%	66%	82%	82%
No	18%	16%	12%	10%	9%	8%	8%
Partial	27%	29%	25%	26%	24%	9%	8%
Not Applicable	14%	14%	14%	10%	0%	1%	1%
To be assessed	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%

July 2013 Assessment

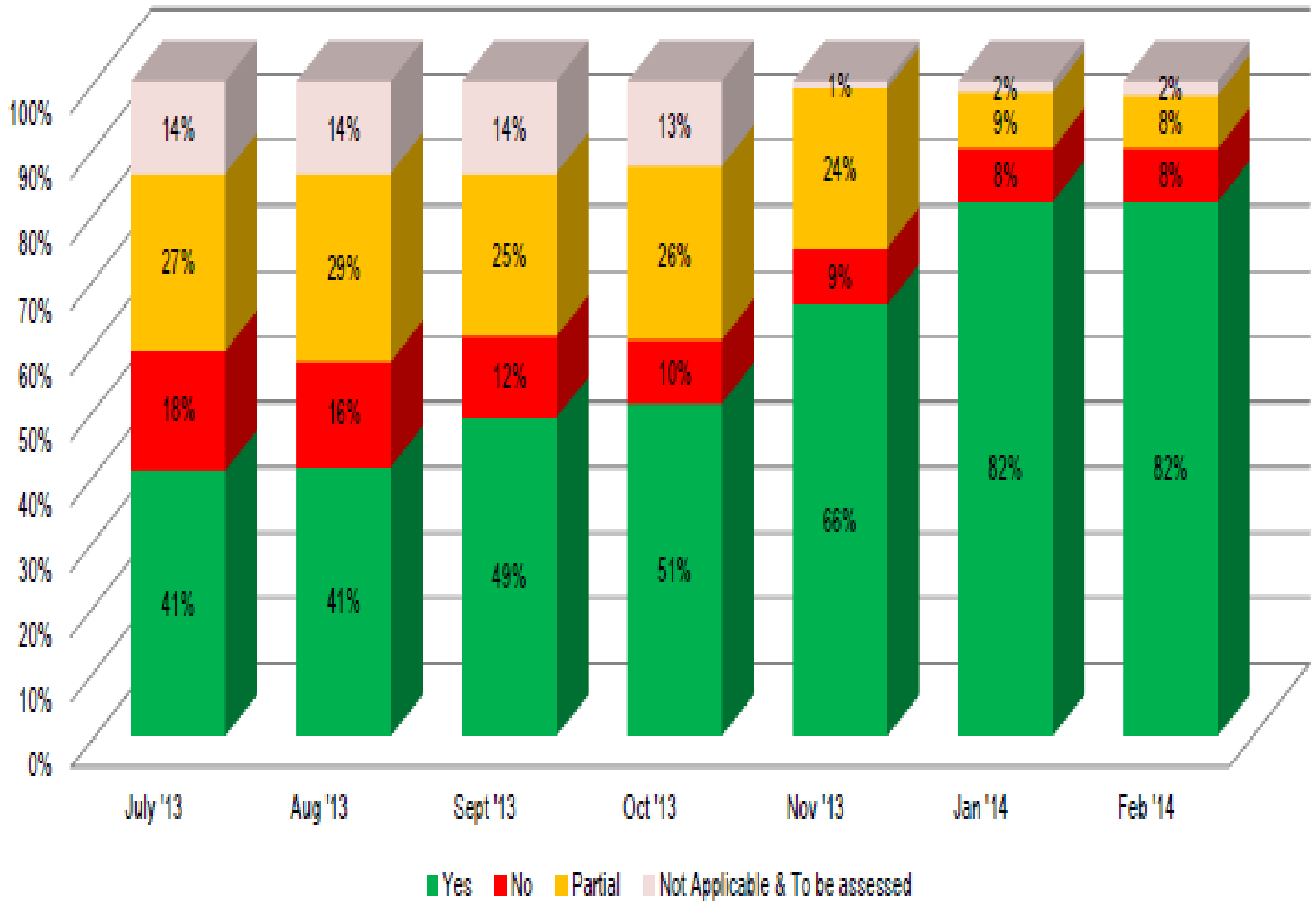


Feb 2014 Assessment

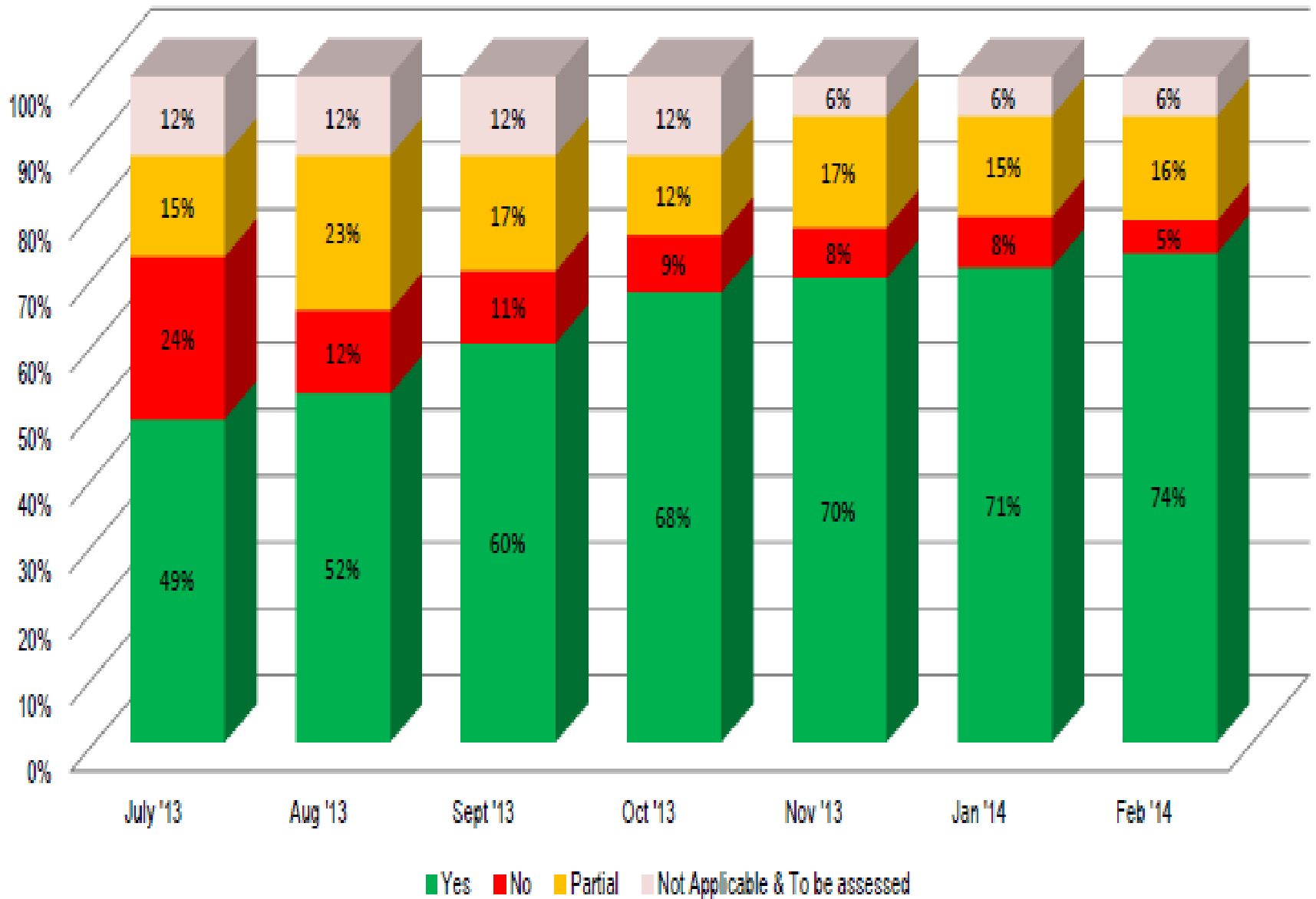


During the first assessment only 41% of the 185 elements were in place, and during the latest recorded assessment in February 2014 a total of 82% of the elements were in place. Similarly during the first assessment 18% of the elements were definitely not in place and during the latest assessment this decreased to only 8%.

KT Motubatse Clinic



Ladybrand Clinic





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Implications for National Health Insurance



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