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IMPACT OF CENTRALIZATION, A SINGLE CENTRE AUDIT OF SURGICAL **OUTCOMES OF RECTAL CANCER**

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■ancer strategy 2006 in Ireland suggested centralization of Rectal cancer Jin 8 designated cancer centres. University Hospital Waterford is one of the first centres in Ireland to implement the policy in 2010. We carried out two audits, Audit 1 in 2014 and Rectabase in 2017 to compare the outcomes and impact of centralization at our centre.

BIOGRAPHY

Athar Sheikh completed his higher surgical training in Ireland through Irish residency programme of Royal College of Surgeons in Ireland. He qualified his FRCS(Gen) in 2008 and has been practicing as a consultant General and Colorectal Surgeon at South-West Hospital Group Ireland.

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