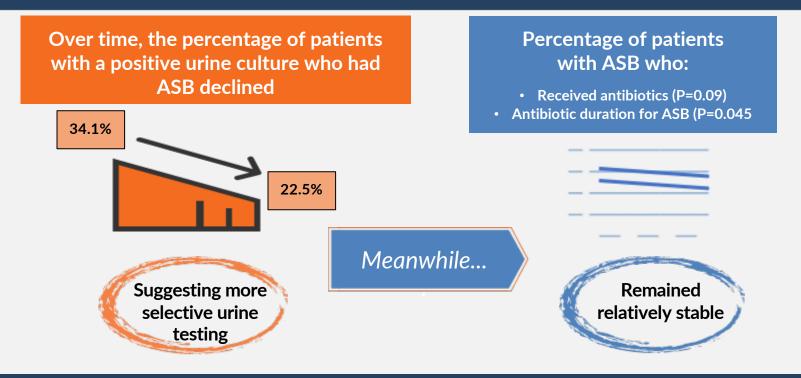
## A Statewide Quality Initiative to Reduce Unnecessary Antibiotic Treatment of Asymptomatic Bacteriuria: Estimating the Effect of Diagnostic vs. Antibiotic Stewardship

Results from 14,572 patients with a positive urine culture (7/1/2017-3/31/2020) 28.4% (N=4,134) had ASB (asymptomatic bacteriuria), of whom 76.8% received antibiotics





Hospitals and national policy should prioritize reducing unnecessary urine cultures (i.e., diagnostic stewardship) to reduce ASB-related antibiotic use.



