Acquiring and evaluating technology
Starting to contour in real volumes
Treating small numbers of patients with IMRT (compassionate basis)
Program evaluation
External consultation
Staff recruitment
Department renovation
Training
↑ IMRT Utilization

Case A
Late 1990s 2002

Case B
Recognized that IMRT is important but lack resources
Machine capacity
Physics Staff
Adequate Training
Acquired new machines
Acquired physics staff
Began treating patients with IMRT
2004 2006 2008

Case C
Planned to implement IMRT for some time but lacked resources, (technology, funding, physics staff, etc)
Acquired Technology
Commissioning the treatment machines, acquired physicist support
Plan to treat 1st pt in 2009

Date Unknown 2008 2009

Case D
Centre undergoing expansion; opportunity to upgrade equipment
Enrolled in clinical trial
Established an IMRT working group,
Assigned a physician champion
Began treating with IMRT

2001 2004

*The dates in these figures are estimates based on key informant’s responses and do not correspond to specific boxes.*