Reporting week: 4 March to 10 March 2019

During week 10, influenza-like illness indicators continued to decrease across all syndromic surveillance systems and have now returned to ‘pre-epidemic’ levels.

Remote Health Advice:

During week 10 there were further decreases in NHS 111 cold/flu calls, which have returned to pre-epidemic levels (figures 2 & 2b).

GP In Hours:

GP consultations for influenza-like illness decreased further during week 10 and have returned to ‘pre-epidemic’ levels (figures 2 & 2c).

Emergency Department:

There were further small decreases in ED attendances for influenza-like illness during week 10 (figure 7).

GP Out of Hours:

During week 10 GP out of hours consultations for influenza-like illness showed further decreases and have returned to ‘pre-epidemic’ levels (figures 3 & 3b).

RCGP Weekly Returns Service:

Click here to access reports from the RCGP website [external link]
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Syndromic surveillance summary notes

- Key messages are provided from each individual system.
- The different syndromic surveillance systems in operation within PHE access data from different areas of the national health care system.
- Each system is able to monitor a different selection of syndromic indicators based upon a different case mix of patients.
- Access to the full version of each syndromic surveillance bulletin is available through the Syndromic Surveillance website found at: (https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/syndromic-surveillance-systems-and-analyses); reports will be made available on Thursday afternoons.

Remote Health Advice

A remote health advice syndromic surveillance system that monitors syndromic calls from remote health advice services e.g. NHS 111 each day across England

GP In-Hours Syndromic Surveillance System

A large UK-based general practitioner surveillance system monitoring daily consultations for a range of clinical syndromic indicators

Emergency Department Syndromic Surveillance System (EDSSS)

A national ED network across England monitoring daily attendances and presenting symptoms/diagnoses

GP Out-of-Hours Syndromic Surveillance System (GPOOHS)

A syndromic surveillance system monitoring daily GP out-of-hours activity and unscheduled care across England using a range of clinical syndromic indicators

RCGP Weekly Returns Service (RCGP WRS)

A sentinel GP surveillance network covering England and Wales monitoring weekly consultations for a range of clinical indicators. This surveillance system is coordinated by the RCGP Research and Surveillance Centre

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