Syndromic surveillance national summary:

Reporting week: 29 July to 4 August 2019

Consultations for syndromic indicators related to heat decreased during week 31.

Remote Health Advice:

Calls for impact of heat and insect bites decreased during week 31 (figures 10 & 11).

GP In Hours:

GP consultations for asthma increased during week 31, mainly in adults (figures 10 & 10a). Consultations for heat/sunstroke and insect bites decreased and rates are similar to expected levels (figures 21 & 22).

Emergency Department:

ED attendances for heat/sun stroke decreased during week 31 and are now within seasonally expected levels (figure 14).

GP Out of Hours:

Consultations for heatstroke decreased during week 31 and are now within seasonally expected levels (figure 11).

RCGP Weekly Returns Service:

Click here to access reports from the RCGP website [external link]
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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