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Year: 2015 Week: 9

**Syndromic
surveillance national
summary:**

Reporting week: 23 February to 1 March 2015

Nothing new to report during week 9.

Consultations/calls/attendances for diarrhoea and gastroenteritis were stable across most systems during week 9 although there were some increases in young children in the GP out of hours system.

**Remote Health
Advice:**

NHS 111 calls for diarrhoea were stable during week 9 and remain within seasonally expected levels (figure 8).

Click to access the Remote Health Advice bulletin [\[intranet\]](#) [\[internet\]](#)

GP In Hours:

There were further small increases in GP consultations for scarlet fever during week 9 with highest rates in the 1-4 years age group (figures 4 & 4a).

GP consultations for chickenpox increased during week 9 (figure 18).

Respiratory indicators remained stable during week 9.

Click to access the GP In Hours bulletin [\[intranet\]](#) [\[internet\]](#)

**Emergency
Department:**

During week 9, gastroenteritis attendances remain slightly higher than the same week last year, particularly in children (figures 18 & 19).

A data transfer problem in 2 EDs has resulted in limited data being available from these sites (since 24/02/15). This issue is expected to be corrected in the next week.

Click to access the EDSSS bulletin [\[intranet\]](#) [\[internet\]](#)

GP Out of Hours:

Total GP out of hours consultations for gastroenteritis/diarrhoea/vomiting have decreased or remained stable during week 9 (figures 7-9) but increases occurred in young children (figure 7a).

Click to access the GPOOHSS bulletin [\[intranet\]](#) [\[internet\]](#)

**RCGP Weekly
Returns Service:**

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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.
- Further weekly and annual reports are available from the RCGP Research and Surveillance web pages <http://www.rcgp.org.uk/clinical-and-research/research-and-surveillance-centre.aspx>

Syndromic surveillance systems

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 sentinel 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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 - TPP, ResearchOne and participating SystemOne GP practices
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