



17 June 2015

Year: 2015 Week: 24

**Syndromic
surveillance national
summary:**

Reporting week: 8 to 14 June 2015

There was an increase in OOH consultations and NHS 111 calls for difficulty breathing over the weekend of the 13/14 June, particularly in the 5-14 years age group. There were also further increases in GP consultations for allergic rhinitis and NHS 111 calls for eye problems in line with seasonal expectations for increased levels of pollen.

**Remote Health
Advice:**

There has been a continued increase in eye problems calls in the 5-14 years old age group, in line with expected seasonal increases associated with pollen (figure 9a).

Difficulty breathing calls increased over the weekend of 13/14 June (figure 5) with increases particularly noted in the 5-14 years age group (figure 5a).

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

GP In Hours:

There have been further increases in allergic rhinitis consultations during week 24 (figure 12). There have also been increases in conjunctivitis and insect bite consultations, in line with seasonal expectations.

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

**Emergency
Department:**

Nothing to report.

Due to a data transfer issue no data have been received 12-14 June. Work is ongoing to correct the issue and retrieve the missing data.

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

GP Out of Hours:

There has been an increase in difficulty breathing/wheeze/asthma calls over the weekend of 13/14 June, mainly in the 5-14 years age group (figures 5 & 5a).

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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 - College of Emergency Medicine
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 - QSurveillance®; University of Nottingham; EMIS/EMIS practices; ClinRisk®
 - TPP, ResearchOne and participating SystemOne GP practices
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