

PHE Syndromic Surveillance Summary

Produced by the PHE Real-time Syndromic Surveillance team

15 November 2017 Year: 2017 Week: 45

Syndromic surveillance national summary:

Reporting week: 06 November to 12 November 2017

During week 45 there were further small increases in bronchitis/ bronchiolitis consultations (ED and GP OOH) and difficulty breathing calls (NHS 111) in infants aged <1 year, in line with recent increases in laboratory reports for respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

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Remote Health Advice:

During week 45 there were continued increases in NHS 111 cough and difficulty breathing calls, particularly in the <1 year age group (figures 4, 4a & 5, 5a). These findings are consistent with recent increases in laboratory reports for respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

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GP In Hours:

There was nothing new to report during week 45.

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Emergency Department:

In week 45 there were continued increases in acute respiratory infections and bronchitis attendances in the under 1 year age group (figures 9 and 11).

Click to access the EDSSS bulletin

GP Out of Hours:

There were further small increases in GP out of hours consultations for bronchitis/bronchiolitis during week 45: levels remain within seasonally expected limits (figure 4). Increases were mainly noted in the <1 year age group (figure 4a), in line with recent increases in laboratory reports for respiratory syncytial virus (RSV).

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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/our-programmes/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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