



04 April 2018

Year: 2018 Week: 13

**Syndromic
surveillance national
summary:**

Reporting week: 26 March to 01 April 2018

GP consultations for scarlet fever remained above seasonally expected levels in week 13.

All reporting through the EDSSS infrastructure changed from 1 April when EDSSS reporting switched to a new, national route. Updates on the development of reporting will be provided each week.

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**Remote Health
Advice:**

Calls to NHS 111 about sore throat increased in week 13 and are above levels expected for this time of year, particularly in the 5-14 years age group (figures 6 & 6a).

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

GP In Hours:

GP consultations for scarlet fever remained above seasonally expected levels in week 13 (figure 4).

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

**Emergency
Department:**

Respiratory, acute respiratory infection and influenza-like illness attendances remained stable but above baseline levels during week 12 (figures 7, 8 & 12).

All reporting through the EDSSS infrastructure changed from 1 April when EDSSS reporting switched to a new, national route, following the introduction of the Emergency Care Data Set: <https://www.england.nhs.uk/ourwork/tsd/ec-data-set/>.

Updates on the development of reporting will be provided each week.

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GP Out of Hours:

There was an increase in out-of-hours consultations for acute respiratory infection in the youngest age groups during week 13 (<1, 1-4 and 5-14 years; figure 2a) though the overall trend remained stable across all age groups.

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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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