

PHE Syndromic Surveillance Summary

Produced by the PHE Real-time Syndromic Surveillance team

06 June 2018 Year: 2018 Week: 22

Syndromic surveillance national summary:

Reporting week: 28 May to 03 June 2018

There were increases in NHS 111 calls for eye problems amongst 5-14 year olds, in line with usual seasonal rises associated with hay fever.

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 in the coming weeks.

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Remote Health Advice:

There were increases in calls for eye problems amongst 5-14 year olds, in line with usual seasonal rises associated with hay fever (Figure 9a).

During week 22 there were further increases in insect bite calls (Figure 11).

Click to access the Remote Health Advice bulletin

GP In Hours:

GP consultations for scarlet fever decreased further during week 22 (figure 4).

GP consultations for insect bites are increasing (figure 23)

Click to access the GP In Hours bulletin

Emergency Department:

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/.

Data collection from this new route and surveillance output provision are currently under development.

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Click to access the EDSSS bulletin

GP Out of Hours:

Nothing new to report.

Click to access the GPOOHSS bulletin

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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- TPP, ResearchOne and participating SystmOne GP practices

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