



30 July 2019

Year: 2019 Week: 30

Syndromic surveillance national summary:

Reporting week: 22 July to 28 July 2019

Consultations for syndromic indicators related to heat increased during week 30. These increases are similar in scale to those seen in previous periods of hot weather.

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Remote Health Advice:

During week 30 there was an increase in calls due to the impact of heat (figure 10) in line with the hot weather. Increases were also seen in fever and vomiting calls (particularly in children) and in insect bite calls (figures 3, 8, 8a & 11). These increases are similar in scale to those seen in previous periods of hot weather.

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

GP In Hours:

GP consultations for heat/sunstroke and insect bites increased during week 30 in line with recent hot weather (figures 21 & 22). These increases are similar in scale to those seen in previous periods of hot weather (figure 21a).

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

Emergency Department:

Consultations of heat /sun stroke increased in week 30, consistent with the hot weather, levels have subsequently reduced.

[Click to access the EDSSS bulletin](#)

GP Out of Hours:

Consultations of heat stroke increased in week 30, consistent with the hot weather, levels have subsequently reduced. These increases are similar in scale to those seen in previous periods of hot weather.

[Click to access the GPOHSS 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 national 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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