

C. difficile surveillance

Quarterly report

October - December 2013 (Q4 2013)

Key points

- CD reports for hospital patients aged 65 years and over decreased by 27% from 7,102 in 2012 compared with 5,197 in 2013 compared to quarter three 2013. CD rate decreased by 24% during quarter four compared to quarter three 2013.
- CD reports for community patients aged 65 years and over increased by 17% from 41 to 48 compared with quarter three 2013 compared to quarter three 2013.
- Total CD reports for hospital inpatients and community patients combined, aged 65 years and over, decreased by 17% this quarter compared to quarter three 2013 from 7,143 to 5,245 cases.
- CD reports for hospital patients aged 65 years and over rose by 7% between the 2011/12 and 2012/13 financial years.

C. difficile and S.aureus bacteraemia surveillance quarterly reports

Quarterly reports provide epidemiological data on *C. difficile* and *S. aureus* in Northern Ireland. The report highlights key points, rates, trends and statistical process control charts. The report also provides information on surveillance methods and data for each hospital and Health and Social Care Trust in Northern Ireland.

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