

C. difficile surveillance

Quarterly report

January - March 2017

Key points

- CDD reports for hospital inpatients aged 65 years and over decreased by 17% from 82 to 68 (per 100) during January - March 2017 compared to October - December 2016.
- CDD rate per 1,000 bed days decreased by 27% during January - March 2017 compared to October - December 2016.
- CDD reports for community patients aged 65 years and over decreased by 17% from 85 to 71 (per 100) during January - March 2017 compared to October - December 2016.
- Total CDD reports for hospital inpatients and community patients combined, aged 65 years and over, decreased by 17% during January - March 2017 compared to October - December 2016 from 176 to 159 (per 100 episodes).
- CDD reports for hospital inpatients aged 65 years and over decreased by 17% between the 2016/16 and 2016/17 financial years.
- During January - March 2017 the most prevalent antibiotic(s) used in hospital were 100% (100%), 17% (17%) and 57% (57%) (Table 1) and in the community are 57% (57%), 80% (80%) and 100% (100%) (Table 2).

For further information or clarification on CDD surveillance, please refer to guidance available on www.hpa.gov.uk

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