

**CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE'S
STRATEGIC PARTNERSHIP****REPORT**

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1. Purpose:

For Discussion

2. Background/Context

The aim of the NI70 or VSC29 indicator is to measure hospital admissions by injury type; this will include both unintentional and deliberate injury to Children and Young people who are under the age of 18 years.

- Unintentional injury is used here to mean accidental external causes of harm e.g. traffic accidents, falls, trips, accidental contact with tools/machinery etc, drowning, exposure, burns and scalds etc.
- Deliberate injury refers to the codes for assault, which are X85-Y09, covering different types of assaults – bodily force, sexual assault by bodily force, sharp/blunt objects, etc.

The data is analysed by utilising the number of finished in-year emergency admissions of children and young people to hospital as a result of unintentional and deliberate injury, per 10,000 of the population under 18 years of age.

In Lincolnshire the rate is 103/ 10,000 compared to **Regional and National**

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This analysis also links with the NICE Guidance released in November 2010:

(PH29) Strategies to prevent unintentional injuries among under 15's

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/PH29

(PH30) Preventing unintentional injuries among under 15's in the home

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/PH30

(PH31) Preventing unintentional injuries among under 15's: road design

www.nice.org.uk/guidance/PH31

A multidisciplinary NI70 group has been hosted by NHSL Public Health Department since November 2010 to examine and analyse the available data. This group will form a pivotal role in developing and actioning Lincolnshire wide strategies to reduce accidental and non-accidental admissions to Accident and Emergency units across Lincolnshire.

An in depth analysis of the available data has been undertaken and the full presentation is attached to this overarching report.

3. Recommendation

The NI70 data analysis covers extremely broad areas of children's and young people's A&E admissions. For example; It covers the age range from before 1 year to 18 years, clearly the causes of admissions and their subsequent prevention is vastly different across this spectrum. This breadth makes it impossible to develop a single strategy to reduce the numbers of admissions to A&E. The aim of this presentation is to raise awareness of this important indicator and subsequent analysis and embed this within all of our partner's strategies.

The Children and Young People's Strategic Partnership should consider the evidence and analysis presented to:

- Examine how this fits with their current strategy work streams
- Identify the best methods of engagement with the now established NI70 working group to ensure clear methods of communication