

# Admission episodes for alcohol-related conditions

Performance:

2015/16 Warwickshire 590/100,000

The number of hospital admissions involving an alcohol-related primary diagnosis or an alcohol-related external cause per 100,000 population (age standardised).

## Introduction

The Government has said that everyone has a role to play in reducing the harmful use of alcohol - this indicator is one of the key contributions by the Government (and the Department of Health) to promote measurable, evidence based prevention activities at a local level, and supports the national ambitions to reduce harm set out in the Government's Alcohol Strategy.

- Alcohol consumption is a contributing factor to hospital admissions and deaths from a diverse range of conditions.
- Alcohol misuse is estimated to cost the NHS about £3.5 billion per year and society as a whole £21 billion annually.

## Current position

Local Alcohol Profiles for England (LAPE) prevalence data shows alcohol related hospital admission rates to be:

	2014/15	2015/16*
North Warwickshire	522.3	493.1
Nuneaton & Bedworth	626.4	589.5
Rugby	659.0	681.0
Stratford-on-Avon	562.2	566.5
Warwick	580.5	600.0
<b>Warwickshire</b>	<b>590.4</b>	<b>590.2</b>
West Midlands	697.0	725.9
England	640.6	651.3

Significantly worse than England rate  
 Not significantly different to England rate  
 Significantly better than England rate

\* provisional data (RAG ratings not yet available)

## Current activity

*Community Services:* Recovery Partnership, ESH Works (User & Carer Involvement and Peer Monitoring Service) – help to reduce alcohol related hospital admissions.

*Hospital Liaison:* targets people admitted to hospitals for ward assessment and links to community services upon discharge.

*Frequent Attenders Programme:* part of Recovery Partnership provision - intensive work with housing, benefits, family, police, and other agencies to reduce admissions.

*“Blue Light” Project (in conjunction with Alcohol Concern):* self-audit tool that can be used to assess progress and benchmark against “should have” elements of alcohol treatment.

*Residential Services:* detoxification and rehabilitation spot purchased by WCC Drug and Alcohol Action Team.

*Hepatitis C Treatment:* part of Recovery Partnership provision to help people through treatment.

**3,242 alcohol related hospital admissions in Warwickshire in 2015/16**

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## Future activity

Currently working on new model of services for the future.