Publication Summary

Chlamydia Key Clinical Indicator (KCI)
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About this Release
This is the sixth publication of the chlamydia Key Clinical Indicator (KCI) which monitors the proportion of the population from within each NHS health board having a chlamydia test and the proportion of these which are positive.

Key Points
- In Scotland during 2010, the majority of chlamydia testing (73%) was performed on women; this has been a consistent observation over the past five years.
- As in previous years, while the majority of samples testing positive (73%) were from men and women aged less than 25, less than half of all testing (48%) was performed on individuals in this age group.

Background

Respect and Responsibility: Strategy and Action Plan for Improving Sexual Health highlighted the need to monitor sexual health service development both nationally and at an NHS board level. A set of Key Clinical Indicators (KCIs) have been developed for this purpose and are managed/reported by the Data Augmentation for Sexual Health (DASH) project at ISD.

The indicators helped to inform the development of the NHS Quality Improvement Scotland (now known as Healthcare Improvement Scotland) Sexual Health Clinical Standards and NHS boards are encouraged to utilise the KCI reports to monitor their progress against these standards.
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