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Syndromic Surveillance

The Department of Public Health EpiCenter hospital emergency department (ED) syndromic surveillance system receives near real-time information from all 38 licensed, hospital EDs in Connecticut. The percentage of individuals seeking care for “unexplained fever/flu” syndrome ED visits is monitored to identify individuals that may have symptoms consistent with COVID-19; this differs from the “fever/flu” syndrome in the weekly influenza report since patients with a known diagnosis (e.g., influenza, strep throat) are not included. **The syndromic surveillance systems suggest that many more people are seeking care for respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19, in the past four weeks.**

