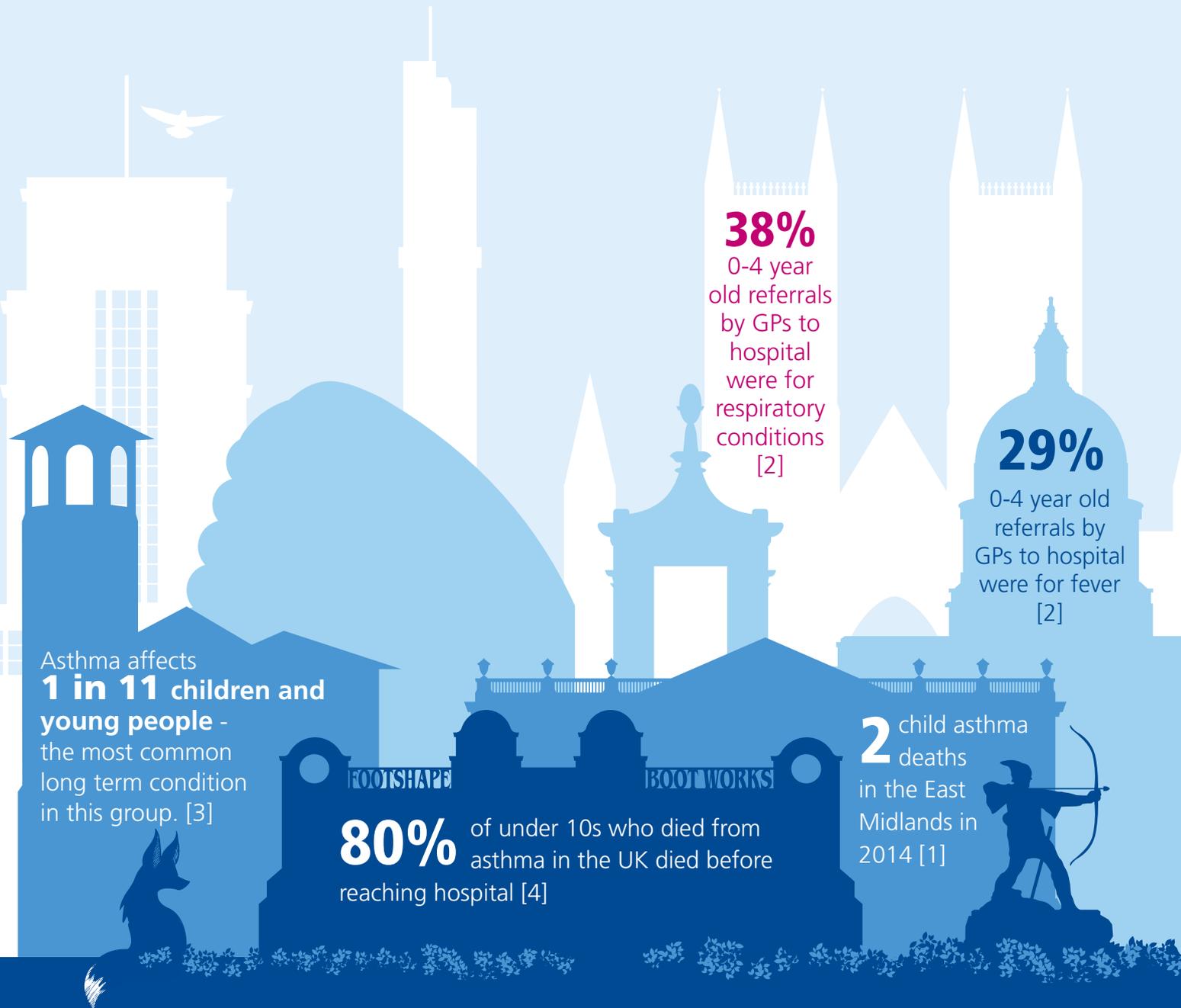


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Asthma affects **1 in 11 children and young people** - the most common long term condition in this group. [3]

80% of under 10s who died from asthma in the UK died before reaching hospital [4]

38%
0-4 year old referrals by GPs to hospital were for respiratory conditions [2]

29%
0-4 year old referrals by GPs to hospital were for fever [2]

2 child asthma deaths in the East Midlands in 2014 [1]

Sources:

- [1] Office for National Statistics
- [2] East Midlands Clinical Networks GP survey (June 2015)
- [3] Asthma UK
- [4] National Review of Asthma Deaths (May 2014)

Clinical Director welcome

Welcome to the spring 2016 edition of our newsletter. In line with the current NHS England key priorities we are focusing on two main areas relating to children and young people: the children and young people mental health and emotional well-being agenda and the urgent care pathway.

We recently held a 'Future in Mind' event and we are hosting an East Midlands Children's Network meeting on 13 April where we will be looking at examples of good practice in our urgent care pathways. There will be talks from speakers from primary, emergency and tertiary care as well as a presentation of the PRIMIS tool. We are keen to hear from primary care teams and clinical commissioning groups about what support could be offered relating to children and young people's health and identifying the sick child.

Jane Williams, Clinical Director



Future in Mind event feedback

With over 100 participants, the Future in Mind Event on 9 March brought together colleagues across provider and commissioner organisations, local authority, education and health and justice services to share local transformation plans. Feedback was given from the national children and young people mental health team and delegates learned about the new East Midlands children and young people IAPT learning collaborative and heard from young people about their experiences. Key messages were the need to reduce the risk of children and young people being sent as inpatients, to protect the workforce and abolish the tier system.

Free PRIMIS asthma and fever GP tools

The PRIMIS asthma tool is a free resource that helps GP practices to manage and care for asthma patients. It also helps GPs to identify patients. To find out more information, see <http://bit.ly/1N6prGw>

There is also a PRIMIS tool for feverish illness in children under five; <http://bit.ly/1pIlsuN> has further details.

Torsion commissioning guide consultation

The Royal College of Surgeons are consulting on the second draft of the management of paediatric torsion commissioning guide, which is available at <http://www.rcseng.ac.uk/healthcare-bodies/nsc>. Please submit your comments by 29 April.

East Midlands children's specialised health services

Did you know specialised children and young people healthcare services are available within the East Midlands region? To find out more, take a look at our signposting website: <http://emcshs.nhs.uk/>. On the website you will find e-referral links, information on regional networks of care, patient information leaflets for surgical procedures, commissioning guidance, and links to clinical service websites. If you have any queries about the website, please contact claire.o'donohue2@nuh.nhs.uk

General paediatric surgery (GPS) event feedback

The GPS Network hosted its third annual training event on the 14 March. The day attracted over 90 attendees across all specialties including paediatric, general and trainee surgeons, nurses and anaesthetists. Following a morning of presentations, three specialty workshops took place including a clinical skills session for the management of testicular torsion using animal tissue. This is currently a focus of the GPS group, who with the Royal College of Surgeons are developing a commissioning guide. The event generated the best feedback to date, with the majority of the attendees rating the day overall as excellent.

New website address

Our website address has changed from www.emsenatescn.nhs.uk to www.emclinicalnetworks.nhs.uk. Please change your bookmarks.

