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Hospital Activity

In 2018/19, the inequality gap for all admissions stood at 39%.

Emergency admissions in the most deprived areas were almost two thirds higher than in the least deprived.

In 2018/19, the inequality gap for day case admissions stood at 23%.

Pregnancy & Early Years

Smoking during pregnancy in the most deprived areas was five and a half times the rate in the least deprived.

In 2018, the **breastfeeding on discharge** inequality gap stood at 48%.

The **Teenage birth rate** in the most deprived areas was **five times** the rate in the least deprived.



Alcohol, Drugs & Smoking



In 2016/17-18/19. the **drug** related admission rate inequality gap stood at 260%.



Mental Health & Wellbeing

gap stood at 300%.

Alcohol specific mortality in

the most deprived areas was

over four times that in least

In 2016/17-18/19, the **alcohol**

related admissions inequality

Suicide in the most deprived areas was three and a half times that in the most deprived.

deprived.

In 2014/15-18/19, the self-harm admission rate inequality gap stood at 239%.

Premature Mortality

The preventable mortality inequality gap stood at 184% 2014-18.

The under 75 **circulatory** disease mortality inequality gap stood at **136%** in 2014-18.



The under 75 respiratory disease mortality rate in the most deprived areas was over three and a half times the rate in the least deprived.

The under 75 cancer mortality inequality gap stood at 70% in 2014-18.

Life Expectancies & General Health

The **life expectancy at birth** inequality gap in 2016-18 was 7.1 years for males and 4.4 years for females.

The **healthy life expectancy** inequality gap in 2016-18 was 14.0 years for males and 15.2 years for females.

The **disability free life expectancy** inequality gap in 2016-18 was 14.5 years for males and 13.9 years for females.



Major Diseases & Conditions

The rate of **respiratory admissions** in the most deprived areas was approximately double that of the least deprived areas, for

all ages and for those aged under 75 years.

24%.



The inequality gap for **cancer** In 2018, the inequality gap for incidence in 2011-17 stood at antihypertensive prescriptions stood at 23%.



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Further Information

This annual publication presents a comprehensive analysis of health inequality gaps between the most and least deprived areas of NI, and within Health & Social Care (HSC) Trust and Local Government District (LGD) areas across a range of indicators. This report is an update of the Health Inequalities Annual Report 2019. As an accompaniment to the 2019 Public Health NI Fact Sheet, which presented the latest statistics at NI, HSC Trust and Local Government District levels for a range of public health outcome statistics, this report provides a more detailed assessment of the associated trends and health inequalities gaps. The report is accompanied by downloadable data tables which contain all figures, including urban and rural breakdowns.

Further information & downloadable tables:

https://www.health-ni.gov.uk/topics/dhssps-statistics-and-research/health-inequalities-statistics

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