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(SHNA)**

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Wirral 2014-15 Sexual Health Needs Assessment (SHNA)

The central question the SHNA sought to answer was, “What needs to change to improve the sexual and reproductive health of people in Wirral?” The SHNA was led by Wirral Public Health Team and took a whole-system approach, looking at sexual health issues primarily from the perspective of local people as well across organisations.

As sexual health is a sensitive subject, Wirral Public Health Team developed and worked within an ethical framework and thorough methodology.

The (SHNA) explored patterns of behaviour, beliefs and social factors relating to sexual health in order to highlight where change is needed to improve the sexual and reproductive health of local people.

The 2015 findings are provided in a series of documents (see links below).

- [Executive Summary](#) of the 2014-15 SHNA (encapsulating all of the information from the following links)
- [Epidemiological data](#), i.e. statistics about the patterning of disease and health events in the population over time
- [Data from the Sexual Health Wirral](#) service about who uses services for what, when and how often
- Results from an on-site [service user survey](#), that looked into users’ experience of Sexual Health Wirral
- Results from an [open access online survey](#) that anonymously collected information on the knowledge, beliefs and behaviours of Wirral residents
- Insights into the issues people face, their beliefs and attitudes and suggestions for future improvements were captured by structured [one-to-one interviews and focus groups](#) with current and potential service users
- The [views of professionals](#) working in sexual health services, the voluntary sector and other relevant organisations from two stakeholder event days
- The SHNA team also studied the key policy messages from [Department of Health, Public Health England](#), the [Local Government Association](#) and a [local report on views of local women of Long-Acting Reversible Contraception \(LARC\) by LJMU](#)
- [Evidence reviews on population-wide trends in sexual behaviour and emerging issues](#), and the effectiveness of new ways of delivering some elements of sexual healthcare, e.g. [condom distribution schemes](#) were also completed

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