

CHILDREN WITH LIFE-LIMITING CONDITIONS ARE DISPROPORTIONATELY HIGH USERS OF HEALTHCARE

1 in 172 UNDER 18s HAVE A LIFE-LIMITING CONDITION

THEY ACCOUNT FOR

7 in 10
PAEDIATRIC INTENSIVE
CARE BED DAYS



2 in 10
HOSPITAL INPATIENT
BED DAYS



They were majority users of paediatric intensive care units (PICUs), accounting for **70% of PICU admissions and 73% of PICU bed days from 2009-2019**

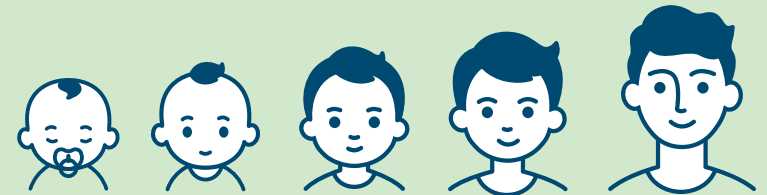
They also had **disproportionately high numbers of** inpatient admissions, emergency inpatient admissions, Accident & Emergency Department visits and General Practice prescriptions.

THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN WITH LIFE-LIMITING CONDITIONS IS INCREASING



3655 BABIES AND CHILDREN

(under 18 years) with life-limiting conditions in Wales in 2019 - **Increased overall by almost a quarter since 2009**



4289 BABIES, CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

(under 26 years) with life-limiting conditions diagnosed in childhood in Wales in 2019 - **Increased overall by almost a third since 2009**

MORE THAN HALF OF CHILDREN WHO DIE IN WALES HAVE AN UNDERLYING LIFE-LIMITING CONDITION



In 2019, 53% of children (0-17 years) and 43% of children and young people (0-25 years) **who died had an underlying life-limiting condition recorded**