

Use of your Data - Opt-Out Information

There are currently a series of NHS initiatives regarding the way in which information in your medical records is held and shared with other agencies.

The NHS will only use the minimum information needed to improve patient care and services, and any information that we publish will never identify a particular person.

Summary Care Record

This is a national system that allows other healthcare providers nationwide to see key information from your record, such as medication and allergies. Summary Care Records are being introduced to improve the safety and quality of patient care. Because the Summary Care Record is an electronic record, it will give healthcare staff faster, easier access to essential information about you, and help to give you safe treatment during an emergency or when your GP surgery is closed.

Access to your Summary Care Record will be strictly controlled. The only people who can see the information will be healthcare staff directly involved in your care who have a special smartcard and access number (like a chip-and-pin credit card).

Healthcare staff will ask your permission every time they need to look at your Summary Care Record. If they cannot ask you, e.g. because you're unconscious, healthcare staff may look at your record without asking you. If they have to do this, they will make a note on your record. For further information please visit the NHS England website at

<http://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/thenhs/records/healthrecords/Pages/servicedescription.aspx>

HSCIC (Health & Social Care Information Centre)

Under new powers of the Health and Social Care Act 2012 an organisation called the Health and Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) can, under certain circumstances, request personal confidential data from GP practices. The data to be extracted includes referrals, NHS prescriptions and other coded clinical data. Identifiers (Date of Birth, Postcode, NHS number and Gender) are required by HSCIC to link GP data with data from other care settings.



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Broadly, the information will be used by NHS commissioners so that they can better design integrated services by linking GP data with information from other health and social care settings. In addition, HSCIC will allow a flow of information in an anonymised, pseudonymised or aggregated form to accredited third parties, for example to approved researchers or commissioners.

The Practice has **no choice** but to allow HSCIC to extract this information, however patients can instruct their Practice to stop the transfer of their individual data, except in special circumstances such as a public health emergency.

If you are happy for your information to be shared you do not need to do anything. There is no form to fill in and nothing to sign and you can change your mind at any time.

If you do wish to opt out of the transfer of your information, please visit www.nhs.uk/your-nhs-data-matters

Your choice will not affect the care you receive.

Please read and tick the relevant option/s below, completing your name, date of birth and signature, then handing your form back into Reception.

NAME:

DoB: SIGNATURE:

- 1) I wish to opt-out of my records being uploaded to the Summary Care Record
- 2) I have read and understood the process of opting-out from NHS data sharing

<p><u>FOR OFFICE USE ONLY:</u></p> <p>Date Read Code entered onto EMIS:</p> <p>Staff member signature:</p>
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