

GDPR and Healthcare Records

GDPR

The General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) is a new law that determines how your personal data is processed and kept safe, and the legal rights that you have in relation to your own data. The regulation applies from 25 May 2018 more information can be found here – [GDPR Leaflet](#)

Opting out of sharing your confidential patient information

The data held in the GP medical records of patients is used every day to support health and care planning and research in England, helping to find better treatments and improve patient outcomes for everyone. NHS Digital has developed a new way to collect this data, called the General Practice Data for Planning and Research data collection.

The new data collection reduces burden on GP practices, allowing doctors and other staff to focus on patient care.

<https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections/general-practice-data-for-planning-and-research>.

(Please note as of 8th June, its introduction has now been delayed until the 1st September 2021)

Patients can view or change their national data opt-out choice at any time by using the online service at www.nhs.uk/your-nhs-data-matters .

Fair Processing Notice for Patients – Your Information, Your Rights

Our Fair Processing Notice explains why we collect information about you and how that information may be used to deliver your direct care and manage the local health and social care system.

The notice reflects:

- What information we collect about you;
- How and why we use that information;
- How we retain your information and keep it secure;
- Who we share your information with and why we do this.

Fair Processing Notice for Medical Records
Children's Privacy Notice

For a full copy of either notice, or for a leaflet, ask at Reception.

The notice also explains your rights in relation to consent to use your information, the right to control who can see your data and how to seek advice and support if you feel that your information has not been used appropriately.

Patients who would like copies of their records under the Data Protection Act, please apply for Online Patient Access by speaking to our reception team for the relevant paperwork and showing photo ID. If you are unable to access Patient Online Services please bring this to the attention to the reception staff who will assist you.

If you wish to object to the use of your data for these secondary uses please speak to the practice management team.

Data Sharing Agreement

Badgerswood & Forest Surgery have a Data Sharing Agreement in place with other practices within the East Hants Locality that participate in extended access to core primary care services. This allows access to your patient record by a clinician with your consent when you use these services. If you would like to know more about this please email sehccg.badgerswoodsurgery@nhs.net