

Secondary uses of your GP record

You have the right to control how medical information about you is processed, used, shared, disseminated or sold, for purposes other than your direct medical care – so called *secondary uses*.

These include:

- Risk stratification schemes – statistical analyses of how likely you are to end up in hospital, be referred to hospital, or use lots of medication
- National clinical audits (such as the National Diabetes Audit)
- Extraction of de-identified information about you concerning any eMed3 Statement of Fitness to Work reports (i.e. sick notes), uploaded and subsequently passed to the Department of Work and Pensions
- Mandatory extractions of personal data from GP records to NHS Digital
- Any of the huge NHS Databases that process uploaded information for secondary purposes (such as the Hampshire Health Record)

You do not have to allow secondary processing of your personal information – you have the right to opt-out. Many more secondary uses of GP records are planned by NHS Digital, the Department of Health, NHS England, and CCGs.

The information extracted for secondary uses is nearly always under the control of another data controller – *not your GP surgery*.

Secondary use opt-outs will *in no way affect* how healthcare professionals provide you with direct medical care, or prevent them accessing your medical record if and when appropriate, and with your explicit consent.

Secondary uses are not about information sharing between healthcare professionals.

You will still be invited to cervical screening, breast screening, bowel cancer screening, diabetic retinopathy screening, abdominal aortic aneurysm screening, and any other current or future national screening programmes, if you are eligible. Nor will an opt-out prevent you from taking part in medical research, with your explicit consent.

More information about secondary uses, and the opt-outs, can be found at www.nhsdatasharing.info , or on our web site, www.oakleyhealth.org

If you wish to opt out of secondary uses of information from your GP record, then simply fill in the opt-out form in this factsheet and hand it in to the surgery (either site). You can opt back in at any time in the future.

Alternatively, you can email Dr Neil Bhatia (Neil.Bhatia@nhs.net) with your opt-out wishes.

If you would like any further information about secondary uses, opting out, or about any other aspect of NHS data sharing, then please do contact the surgery's [Caldicott Guardian](#) / Information Governance lead:

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Opt-out of all secondary uses of my GP record (Type 1 and Type 2 opt-out)

- **Please opt me out of all secondary uses of my GP record**

Please ensure that no information is extracted and uploaded about me for these purposes by adding the read codes 9Nu0 and 9Nu4 to my GP record

- I understand that this opt-out will in no way affect access to my GP record by my GP surgery
 - I understand that this opt-out will in no way prevent my GP surgery from providing information, when required, to other healthcare professionals, in person, by phone, fax, text, letter, email, e-referral or e-prescription
 - I understand that I can change my mind at any time and opt back in to any or all secondary uses
 - I understand that this opt-out will not automatically opt me out of EMIS Web data streaming, or The Summary Care Record, or The Hampshire Health Record, and that I will have to opt-out separately if I wish to prohibit those particular uses of my personal confidential information
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Name:

Signature:

DOB:

Your name/signature & relationship if applying on behalf of another person (e.g. parent/legal guardian):