

EXTRACTION OF MED3 / "FIT NOTE" DATA TO THE DWP

In common with all GP surgeries in England, Oakley Health Group is legally compelled to extract and upload information about the Med3 "fit notes" (or "sick notes") to NHS Digital.

NHS Digital in turn passes that information on to the Department of Work and Pensions (DWP).

You have the right to prohibit your Med3/fit note information from being extracted and uploaded to the DWP, by letting your surgery know that you do not wish to allow your GP record information to be used for *secondary purposes*: that is for reasons other than the provision of your direct medical care.

Opting out of secondary purposes will not affect your medical care here at the surgery, at any hospital, or anywhere in the NHS or privately. It will not have any effect on, or invalidate in any way, the Med3 that your GP has given you.

Opting out of secondary purposes will not only prevent the extraction of your Med3 data, but also prohibit processing of any information uploaded to The Hampshire Health Record (assuming that you haven't opted out of this), and any risk stratification schemes and national audits, all of which process data, in part or whole, for purposes unrelated to your direct medical care (audit, healthcare planning, commercial or even political purposes).

You can find out more about these schemes, secondary purposes, and data sharing undertaken by Oakley Health Group in our "*Your medical records*" booklet, available in surgery or on our website (www.oakleyhealth.org).

If you (and your family) would like to prevent your personal confidential information from being used in these ways, for all such *secondary uses*, then please fill in the form overleaf.

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If you would like any further information about primary or secondary uses of your GP record, opting out, or about any other aspect of NHS data sharing, then please do contact me.

Opt-out of all secondary uses of my medical record

- **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 secondary uses
 - I understand that this opt-out will not automatically opt me out of The Summary Care Record, or the Hampshire Health Record, or EMIS Web data streaming, 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):

Please hand this form into reception, or post/fax it to the surgery
or email it to Dr Neil Bhatia (Neil.Bhatia@nhs.net)