

Church Street Practice

Opt-in/Opt-out

Options for sharing your medical information

The NHS will assume your consent to sharing your medical information as described below unless you state that you do not want to share your information. Whatever you decide now, **you can change your mind at any time** by notifying the surgery and we will add the computer codes that stop your information being shared or remove them to make your information available for sharing, as appropriate.

1. Care Data – sharing information (going live shortly)

It is important that the NHS can use information from medical records to get a complete picture of what is happening across health and social care and to plan services according to what works best. The new system delivered by the Health and Social Care Information Centre (HSCIC) and NHS England on behalf of the NHS will provide joined-up information about the care received from all of the different parts of the health service, including hospitals and GP practices.

Your date of birth, full postcode, NHS Number and gender rather than your name will be used to link your records in a secure system, managed by the HSCIC. Once this information has been linked a new record will be created. This new record will not contain information that identifies you. The type of information shared, and how it is shared, is controlled by law and strict confidentiality rules.

The new system will also provide information that will enable the public to hold the NHS to account and ensure that any unacceptable standards of care are identified as quickly as possible. Information will help to:

- find more effective ways of preventing, treating and managing illnesses

- guide local decisions about changes that are needed to respond to the needs of local patients
- support public health by anticipating risks of particular diseases and conditions, and help us to take action to prevent problems
- improve the public's understanding of the outcomes of care, giving them confidence in health and care services
- guide decisions about how to manage NHS resources so that they can best support the treatment and management of illness for the benefit of patients

More information is available at:

<http://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/thenhs/records/healthrecords/Pages/care-data.aspx>

You have the right to prevent confidential information about you from being shared or used for any purpose other than providing your care, except in special circumstances necessary by law. Opting out of sharing your data will not affect the care you receive. Please indicate your choice:

- Yes, I agree to share my confidential care data with HSCIC for the wider benefits of health services.**
- Yes, I agree to share my confidential care data with HSCIC to match it with other data but it should only be used or released in a fully anonymised form.**
- No, I do not want to share my confidential care data with NHS England**

A member of staff at the surgery will add a code to your GP records which will control the release or stop identifiable medical data being extracted from your GP records in accordance with your expressed wishes above.

2. Summary Care Record: (This system is live and patient records have been uploaded unless you have already opted-out)

NHS England has introduced the Summary Care Record which is a computerised system which can extract information about any medicines you are taking, allergies you suffer from and any bad reactions to medicines you have had and make it available to authorised healthcare staff providing your care anywhere in England. All staff will ask your permission before they look at your Summary Care Record.

Having a Summary Care Record will mean that if you have an accident or become ill anywhere in England, the doctors treating you will have immediate access to important information about your health.

More information is available at <http://www.nhscarerecords.nhs.uk/>

Please indicate your choice:

Yes I would like a Summary Care Record – a Summary Care Record will be created for you.

No I do not want a Summary Care Record – a member of staff at the surgery will add a code to the GP records which will stop your information being uploaded to the Summary Care Record system.

3. Oxfordshire Care Summary: (Our patient records should be available to this service by the end of 2013)

The Oxfordshire Care Summary is a single electronic view of specific, up-to-date, clinical information from your GP record and other records which will be kept to support your care within NHS organisations in Oxfordshire.

Authorised clinical staff will be able to see any significant diagnoses you may have, what medication you take, or have taken recently and

what tests your GP has carried out. They will not be able to see information about conversations you have had with your GP or information on sensitive subjects such as sexual health. The record will also include information about treatment you have received at the Horton or Oxford University Hospitals, attendances at Minor Injury Units and GP Out of Hours services, and some documents such as care plans.

This information will be used to ensure you get the safest treatment as quickly as possible within Oxfordshire.

More information is available at:

<http://www.oxfordshireccg.nhs.uk/your-health/oxfordshire-care-summary/>

Please indicate your choice:

Yes I would like an Oxfordshire Care Summary – an Oxfordshire Care Summary will be created for you if you have previously opted out..

No I do not want an Oxfordshire Care Summary – a member of staff at the surgery will add a code to the GP records which will stop your information being uploaded to the Oxfordshire Care Summary system.

Signature _____ Date _____

Full Name _____

Address _____

_____ Post Code: _____

Telephone Number _____ Date of Birth _____

Please send to Church Street Practice, The Health Centre, Mably Way, Wantage, Oxfordshire, OX12 9BN or hand it to the Receptionist.