

Making your GP record available

To improve their care, patients will have their GP record made available automatically. This is called **implied consent**.*



You will be asked next time you see your GP if you are happy to share your record. This is called **explicit consent**.



Giving permission to view your record

When you see another care professional e.g. community nurse or hospital doctor, they will **still** ask for your permission to view your GP record. You can decline.

*If you have opted out of sharing previously, your GP record will not be made available

GP Record FAQ

Is my record available to view forever?

No. You can change your mind at any time. If you want to change your mind contact your GP practice. If you leave your GP practice you will be asked for explicit consent again at your new practice.

Do I have to make my entire record available?

No. You can ask for parts of your record to be made private. Private information will never be shared unless it is required by law or you give permission.

Do all care providers need to see my record?

No. Some health services will not need to share or view your information e.g. smoking cessation clinics or weight loss programmes.

Who will be looking at my record?

Care professionals, with controlled access, who are directly caring for you. The permission to view your GP record is for that episode of care only. You will be asked for your permission again if you return to that service.

What organisations will my GP record be made available to?

Other Rushcliffe GP practices, NEMS, Central Nottinghamshire Clinical Services, Nottingham University Hospitals Trust, East Midlands Ambulance Service, Sherwood Forest Hospitals Foundation Trust, Nottinghamshire Healthcare, County Health Partnerships, Nottingham CityCare Partnership, DHU 111.

Sharing your GP record



What is a GP record?

Your GP record contains medical information recorded by health workers who are involved in your care.



This information could include: letters from the hospital, information about your visits, test results, medications, allergies and diagnoses (e.g. Asthma).

Information may have been added to your record at many different care locations.



Sharing your GP record could save your life

Making your record available means that care professionals will have your most up to date information.

This means that you won't have unnecessary tests, have to repeat information or be given drugs that you may be allergic to.

Everyone should make their record available in case they need to be seen in an emergency.

If you have certain health conditions, illnesses or have to go to hospital a lot, then you should definitely make your record available.

Don't I already share my record?

Making your GP record available is different from national sharing schemes such as the **Summary Care Record** and **care.data**.

You can find out more about these schemes at www.nhs.uk/caredata

