

CONSENT TO SHARE ELECTRONIC DATA - PATIENT DECISION FORM

As a Stockport resident, you may receive care and treatment from a number of places such as your GP practice, hospital and community services who will all hold information about you. In order for professionals to provide you with the best possible treatment and support it is important for them to have quick access to the information they need, which may be held by someone else. In the past this was often done by fax, phone or post which can be slow. To improve this we have now moved to sharing information electronically. In Stockport this is via the **Stockport Health & Care Record** and the **Summary Care Record**.

The information below should be read in conjunction with the leaflet 'how information about you helps us to provide better care'.

Summary Care Record

The NHS in England introduced Summary Care Records to improve the safety and quality of patient care. It gives healthcare staff faster, easier access to reliable information about you to help with your treatment. A summary of NHS patient data is held on a central database covering England. The purpose of this is to make patient data readily available anywhere that you seek treatment within England, for example if you are staying away Stockport.

A Summary Care Record (SCR) is an electronic patient record which contains information about the medicines you take, allergies you suffer from and any bad reactions to medicines you have had.

Having a Summary Care Record gives authorised healthcare staff a quicker way to get important information about you, and can reduce the risk of medical errors occurring when caring for you in an emergency or out-of-hours, when your GP practice is closed. Only healthcare staff involved in supporting or providing your care can see your Summary Care Record. Healthcare staff will ask your permission every time they need to look at your Summary Care Record. If they cannot ask you, for example if you are unconscious, they may look at your Summary Care Record, but if they do this, they will make a note on your record to say why they have done so.

You can choose whether or not to have a Summary Care Record. If you choose to have a Summary Care Record, you do not need to do anything, this will happen automatically. If you choose **not to** have a Summary Care Record, please complete the following to record your decision:

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Name: **Date of birth:**

Address:

I refuse consent for upload to the Summary Care Record (Code 9Ndo)

Signed: **Date:**