

Sharing Your GP Record

What you need to know



Why should my GP record be shared?

By sharing your GP record with other NHS organisations involved in your care, you improve the communication between each service, which means that you will not have to repeat information at each visit and will reduce the likelihood of you being sent for unnecessary repeat tests!

Don't I already share my record?

Most people think their GP record is available to all healthcare professionals involved in their care. This is not the case!

Currently, each NHS organisation you see keeps a separate healthcare record.

This means that information is not communicated between services as well as it could be, causing delays to your care and, in cases, delaying your treatment.

Sharing In & Sharing Out

Your sharing consent is split into two choices:

Sharing in – this allows the Practice to see or 'share in' all the information held for you by other NHS organisations

Sharing out – this allows other NHS professionals involved directly in your care to see what is recorded in your GP health record when you see them

You make the same two decisions at each NHS organisation who you see, giving you full control to choose who can see your shared healthcare record and who can't.

Who is my record being shared with?

You have full control over who sees your medical record. You can choose which organisations have access to your shared GP record and which don't. By opting in to share your record, you are agreeing to share your information **only** with those NHS professionals who are directly involved in your care.

This includes; district nurses, occupational therapy, Urgent Treatment Centres, some hospital clinics and Erewash shared clinics (e.g. On Day Service, First Contact Physio, Community Phlebotomy)

This **does not** share your healthcare record with any organisation outside the NHS.



Sharing In

Sharing Out

**Shared
Healthcare
Record**

Implied Consent / Opting Out

Our Practice operates an 'implied consent policy'. This policy is available on our website. This means that we will assume that you consent for us to share your information with other NHS professionals unless you specifically state otherwise. To opt out, simply contact your Practice.

Please be aware that by opting out, the Practice will not be able to see your records held by other NHS organisations and this could delay your care.