

Addendum to practice privacy policy during Covid-19 pandemic

Summary Care Record	<p>Purpose – During the Covid19 pandemic practices have been told to share details of patients’ personal confidential and special category data onto the summary care record. The NHS in England uses a national electronic record called the Summary Care Record (SCR) to support patient care. It contains key information from your GP record. Your SCR provides authorised healthcare staff with faster, secure access to essential information about you in an emergency or when you need unplanned care, where such information would otherwise be unavailable.</p> <p>Legal Basis – Direct Care</p> <p>The relevant COPI notice states that its purpose: “...is to require organisations to process confidential patient information for the purposes set out in Regulation 3(1) of COPI to support the Secretary of State’s response to Covid-19 (Covid-19 Purpose). “Processing” for these purposes is defined in Regulation 3(2) and includes dissemination of confidential patient information to persons and organisations permitted to process confidential patient information under Regulation 3(3) of COPI.” Full details of the Summary Care Record supplementary privacy notice can be found here</p> <p>Patients have the right to opt out of having their information shared with the SCR by completion of the form which can be downloaded here and returned to the practice. Please note that by opting out of having your information shared with the Summary Care Record could result in a delay care that may be required in an emergency.</p> <p>Processor – NHS England and NHS Digital via GP connect</p> <p>28/04/20</p>
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