



## Privacy Notice Policy

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**We understand how important it is to keep your personal information safe and secure and we take this very seriously. We have taken steps to make sure your personal information is looked after in the best possible way and we review this regularly.**

**Please read this privacy notice carefully, as it contains important information about how we use the personal and healthcare information we collect on your behalf.**

### **1. WHY WE ARE PROVIDING THIS PRIVACY NOTICE**

We are required to provide you with this Privacy Notice by Law. It explains how we use the personal and healthcare information we collect, store and hold about you. If you are unclear about how we process or use your personal and healthcare information, or you have any questions about this Privacy Notice or any other issue regarding your personal and healthcare information, then please do contact our **Data Protection Officer** (details below).

The Law says:

- A. We must let you know why we collect personal and healthcare information about you;
- B. We must let you know how we use any personal and/or healthcare information we hold on you;
- C. We need to inform you in respect of what we do with it;
- D. We need to tell you about who we share it with or pass it on to and why; and
- E. We need to let you know how long we can keep it for.

## **2. THE DATA PROTECTION OFFICER**

The Data Protection Officer at the Surgery is Daljeet Sharry-Khan. You can contact them on 07395796639.

- You have any questions about how your information is being held;
- If you require access to your information or if you wish to make a change to your information;
- If you wish to make a complaint about anything to do with the personal and healthcare information we hold about you;
- Or any other query relating to this Policy and your rights as a patient.

## **3. ABOUT US**

We, at Hollyns Health and Wellbeing ('**the Surgery**') situated at 4 Glenholme Park and Allerton Health Centre, are a **Data Controller** of your information. This means we are responsible for collecting, storing and handling your personal and healthcare information when you register with us as a patient.

There may be times where we also process your information. That means we use it for a particular purpose and, therefore, on those occasions we may also be **Data Processors**. The purposes for which we use your information are set out in this Privacy Notice.

## **4. INFORMATION WE COLLECT FROM YOU**

The information we collect from you will include:

- A. Your contact details (such as your name and email address, including place of work and work contact details);
- B. Details and contact numbers of your next of kin;
- C. Your age range, gender, ethnicity;
- D. Details in relation to your medical history;
- E. The reason for your visit to the Surgery;
- F. Medical notes and details of diagnosis and consultations with our GPs and other health professionals within the Surgery involved in your direct healthcare.
- G. Any contact the surgery has had with you, such as appointments, clinic visits, emergency appointments, etc.
- H. Notes and reports about your health
- I. Details about your treatment and care
- J. Results of investigations such as laboratory tests, x-rays etc
- K. Relevant information from other health professionals, relatives or those who care for you

## **5. INFORMATION ABOUT YOU FROM OTHERS**

We also collect personal information about you when it is sent to us from the following:

- A. a hospital, a consultant or any other medical or healthcare professional, or any other person involved with your general healthcare.
- B. NHS Trusts / Foundation Trusts
- C. GP's
- D. NHS Commissioning Support Units
- E. Independent Contractors such as dentists, opticians, pharmacists
- F. Private Sector Providers
- G. Voluntary Sector Providers
- H. Ambulance Trusts

- I. Clinical Commissioning Groups
- J. Social Care Services
- K. Health and Social Care Information Centre/NHS Digital
- L. Local Authorities
- M. Education Services
- N. Fire and Rescue Services
- O. Police & Judicial Services
- P. Voluntary Sector Providers
- Q. Private Sector Providers

## **6. YOUR SUMMARY CARE RECORD**

Your summary care record is an electronic record of your healthcare history (and other relevant personal information) held on a national healthcare records database provided and facilitated by NHS England.

This record may be shared with other healthcare professionals and additions to this record may also be made by relevant healthcare professionals and organisations involved in your direct healthcare.

You may have the right to demand that this record is not shared with anyone who is not involved in the provision of your direct healthcare. If you wish to enquire further as to your rights in respect of not sharing information on this record then please contact our Data Protection Officer.

To find out more about the wider use of confidential personal information and to register your choice to opt out if you do not want your data to be used in this way, please visit [www.nhs.uk/my-data-choice](http://www.nhs.uk/my-data-choice).

Note if you do choose to opt out, you can still consent to your data being used for specific purposes. However, if you are happy with this use of information you do not need to do anything. You may however change your choice at any time.

## **7. WHO WE MAY PROVIDE YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION TO, AND WHY**

Whenever you use a health or care service, such as attending Accident & Emergency or using Community Care Services, important information about you is collected to

help ensure you get the best possible care and treatment. This information may be passed to other approved organisations where there is a legal basis, to help with planning services, improving care, research into developing new treatments and preventing illness. All of this helps in providing better care to you and your family and future generations. However, as explained in this privacy notice, confidential information about your health and care is only used in this way where allowed by law and would never be used for any other purpose without your clear and explicit consent.

We may pass your personal information on to the following people or organisations, because these organisations may require your information to assist them in the provision of your direct healthcare needs. It, therefore, may be important for them to be able to access your information in order to ensure they may properly deliver their services to you:

- A. Hospital professionals (such as doctors, consultants, nurses, etc);
- B. Other GPs/Doctors;
- C. Pharmacists;
- D. Nurses and other healthcare professionals;
- E. Dentists;
- F. Any other person that is involved in providing services related to your general healthcare, including mental health professionals.

## **8. OTHER PEOPLE WHO WE PROVIDE YOUR INFORMATION TO**

- A. Commissioners;
- B. Clinical Commissioning Groups;
- C. Local authorities;
  - Private sector providers working with or for the NHS, such as dentists, pharmacies, opticians and care homes.
  - Voluntary sector providers working with or for the NHS, providing services such as social prescribing, local support groups, health education, advice services etc.
- D. Community health services;
- E. For the purposes of complying with the law e.g. Police, Solicitors, Insurance Companies;

F. Anyone you have given your consent to, to view or receive your record, or part of your record. **Please note, if you give another person or organisation consent to access your record we will need to contact you to verify your consent before we release that record. It is important that you are clear and understand how much and what aspects of, your record you give consent to be disclosed.**

G. **Extended Access** – we provide extended access services to our patients which means you can access medical services outside of our normal working hours. In order to provide you with this service, we have formal arrangements in place with the Clinical Commissioning Group and with other practices whereby certain key “**hub**” practices offer this service on our behalf for you as a patient to access outside of our opening hours. This means, those key “**hub**” practices will have to have access to your medical record to be able to offer you the service. Please note to ensure that those practices comply with the law and to protect the use of your information, we have very robust data sharing agreements and other clear arrangements in place to ensure your data is always protected and used for those purposes only.

The key **Hub** practices are as follows:

The Ridge Medical Practice

H. **Data Extraction by the Clinical Commissioning Group** – the clinical commissioning group at times extracts medical information about you, but the information we pass to them via our computer systems **cannot identify you to them**. This information only refers to you by way of a code that only your practice can identify (it is pseudo-anonymised). This therefore protects you from anyone who may have access to this information at the Clinical Commissioning Group from **ever** identifying you as a result of seeing the medical information and we will **never** give them the information that would enable them to do this.

There are good reasons why the Clinical commissioning Group may require this pseudo-anonymised information, this data helps the CCG to determine whether or not we are providing the right health care for the patients of our district and if not plan better services.

#### I. **Medicine Management**

The Practice may conduct Medicines Management Reviews of medications prescribed to its patients. This service performs a review of prescribed medications to ensure patients receive the most appropriate, up to date and cost effective treatments. This service is provided to practices within Bradford District Clinical Commissioning Group.

The full list of organisations can be seen and updated in your patient online record.

*To find out more about these types of organisations please go to the following webpage: <http://www.tpp-uk.com/products/systmone/modules> or talk to a member of your GP practice.*

If at any point in the future you are not happy to share your electronic record in this way, please let us know as soon as possible.

## **8.1 HOW WE SHARE YOUR PERSONAL DATA:**

As your GP practice we have set the following practice settings for all our registered patients whose detailed electronic health record is in our possession and within the clinical computer system, SystemOne. However, we recognise that each of our patients have differing health care needs and you may wish to control yourself how your personal data is shared. This can be done via '**Your Choice**' stated below.

### **A) Implied consent to make your record available to all organisations (without verification/security process) for direct care purposes**

We assume that you are happy to share your detailed electronic health record to those that care for you. We therefore, make your record available to all NHS commissioned services using the clinical record computer system, SystemOne. This allows for anyone at these organisations who have the appropriate controls to retrieve your electronic record once you are registered for care. However, these individuals should only legitimately access your record to provide you with care services. They must also record your permission to view your record.

### **AND/OR**

### **B) Explicit consent to make your record available to all organisations (without verification/security code process) for direct care purposes**

We will obtain your explicit consent (permission) to share your detailed electronic health record to those that care for you. By providing your permission, we make your record available to all NHS commissioned services using the clinical record computer system, SystemOne. This allows for anyone at these organisations who have the appropriate controls to retrieve your electronic record, once you are registered for care. However, these individuals should only legitimately access your record to provide you with care services. They must also record your permission to view your record.

Your individual sharing preference will overwrite our organisation's default sharing setting.

The term 'Direct Care' means a clinical health activity concerned with the prevention and investigation and treatment of illness. It includes supporting your ability to function and improve your participation in life and society. It also includes the assurance of safe and high quality care and treatment undertaken by one or more registered and regulated health professionals and their team with whom you have a legitimate relationship for your care purposes.

*It does not include access to information for purposes such as insurance, advertising or marketing.*

## **8.2 YOUR CHOICE:**

You may not agree with the health and social care organisations we have chosen to have access to your detailed electronic health record (the practice default). You can therefore control this yourself. **Your choice will override our settings.** You have the following options:

- **No organisations require you to provide a security code (Allowed List) -** You can give your permission to allow all NHS commissioned services and local authorities providing health services, using the clinical record computer system, SystmOne, to access your record. This allows for any individual at these organisations (who have the appropriate access controls) to retrieve your electronic record, only after you are registered with them for care. These individuals should only legitimately access your record to provide you with care services and they should always request and gain your consent before doing so.
- **All organisations require you to provide a security code (Verification List) -** You can require that all health organisations must ask you for a PIN number on your first visit to that service. This allows you to verify/confirm that each individual organisation should have access to your record, as they are legitimately involved in your care. You will require access to either a mobile phone or email account, as a PIN will be sent to you. Alternatively, you will need access to SystmOnline to accept or reject a share request sent to your account by the organisation wishing to view your record. *Please contact your GP if you are not enabled for SystmOnline.*
- **Custom lists -** You can put together your own custom lists for access, adding organisations to each of 3 lists i.e. does not require a security code (allowed list), requires a security code (verification list) and cannot access (prohibited list). The functionality for each list will act as described above, but it is you who can determine the level of access, which applies to them. This should be done in conjunction with your GP to ensure you understand the full implications of your decisions.
- **Dissent/Refusal of your permission -** You can refuse your permission for your record to become available to all NHS commissioned services and local authorities providing health services, using the clinical record computer system, SystmOne, which prevents us sharing your clinical record to any other organisation involved in your care. *Please carefully consider the benefits of sharing your record before choosing this option.*
- **Marking items as private –** If you have had a consultation about a particularly sensitive matter, you can ask for this section of your record to be

marked as private. That way, even if you consent for another service to see your record, that consultation will not be shown outside the organisation that recorded it.

**You can make changes to the above\* at any time by contacting us or by logging onto your SystemOnline account.** (\*you cannot add an organisation to the prohibited list yourself, you must speak with your GP first if you wish to do this.)

### **8.3 National Data Opt Out**

“How the NHS and care services use your information”

Whenever you use a health or care service, such as attending Accident & Emergency or using Community Care services, important information about you is collected in a patient record for that service. Collecting this information helps to ensure you get the best possible care and treatment.

The information collected about you when you use these services can also be used and provided to other organisations for purposes beyond your individual care, for instance to help with:

- improving the quality and standards of care provided
- research into the development of new treatments
- preventing illness and diseases
- monitoring safety
- planning services

This may only take place when there is a clear legal basis to use this information. All these uses help to provide better health and care for you, your family and future generations. Confidential patient information about your health and care is **only used** like this where allowed by law.

Most of the time, anonymised data is used for research and planning so that you cannot be identified in which case your confidential patient information isn't needed.

You have a choice about whether you want your confidential patient information to be used in this way. If you are happy with this use of information you do not need to do anything. If you do choose to opt out your confidential patient information will still be used to support your individual care.

To find out more or to register your choice to opt out, please visit [www.nhs.uk/your-nhs-data-matters](http://www.nhs.uk/your-nhs-data-matters). On this web page you will:

- See what is meant by confidential patient information
- Find examples of when confidential patient information is used for individual care and examples of when it is used for purposes beyond individual care
- Find out more about the benefits of sharing data
- Understand more about who uses the data
- Find out how your data is protected
- Be able to access the system to view, set or change your opt-out setting
- Find the contact telephone number if you want to know any more or to set/change your opt-out by phone
- See the situations where the opt-out will not apply

You can also find out more about how patient information is used at:

<https://www.hra.nhs.uk/information-about-patients/> (which covers health and care research); and

<https://understandingpatientdata.org.uk/what-you-need-know> (which covers how and why patient information is used, the safeguards and how decisions are made)

You can change your mind about your choice at any time.

Data being used or shared for purposes beyond individual care does not include your data being shared with insurance companies or used for marketing purposes and data would only be used in this way with your specific agreement.

#### **8.4 OpenSAFELY COVID-19 Service**

NHS England has been directed by the government to establish and operate the OpenSAFELY COVID-19 Service and the OpenSAFELY Data Analytics Service. These services provide a secure environment that supports research, clinical audit, service evaluation and health surveillance for COVID-19 and other purposes.

Each GP practice remains the controller of its own GP patient data but is required to let approved users run queries on pseudonymised patient data. This means identifiers are removed and replaced with a pseudonym.

Only approved users are allowed to run these queries, and they will not be able to access information that directly or indirectly identifies individuals.

Patients who do not wish for their data to be used as part of this process can register a [type 1 opt out](#) with their GP.

Here you can find [additional information about OpenSAFELY](#).

#### **8.5 AVAILABLE AUDITS:**

Audits are useful for your understanding about the types of organisation and individual(s) who are viewing your record. They allow you to raise any concerns about potential illegitimate or unnecessary access of your personal data with the relevant person or organisation. The ability to audit record access is a significant benefit of electronic records over paper records as it allows for a visible trail to be available to you in the following ways:

- **Alerts** - You can opt to receive an alert via SMS or email every time an individual at any health and social care organisation attempts to record your consent to view your record. This means that you can be confident that the appropriate people are viewing your record and you can raise concerns with any organisation where you feel this is not the case.
- **SystemOnline Record Audit** – You can view which organisations have accessed your electronic health record within SystemOnline. Ability to access

this audit in SystmOnline is controlled by your GP. Any concerns about access can be raised with the relevant organisation.

- **Record Sharing List** – You can ask your GP practice to show you a list of all health and social care organisations currently caring for you and whether they have recorded your consent or dissent to view your record. If you disagree with the consent options recorded then you, or your GP, should contact those organisations and ask them to amend the setting.

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## **9. ANONYMISED INFORMATION**

Sometimes we may provide information about you in an anonymised form. If we do so, then none of the information we provide to any other party will identify you as an individual and cannot be traced back to you.

## **10. YOUR RIGHTS AS A PATIENT**

The Law gives you certain rights to your personal and healthcare information that we hold, as set out below:

### **A. Access and Subject Access Requests**

You have the right to see what information we hold about you and to request a copy of this information.

If you would like a copy of the information we hold about you please contact the Practice. We will provide this information free of charge however, we may in some **limited and exceptional** circumstances have to make an administrative charge for any extra copies if the information requested is excessive, complex or repetitive.

We have one month to reply to you and give you the information that you require. We would ask, therefore, that any requests you make are in writing where possible and it is made clear to us what and how much information you require.

### **B. Online Access**

You may ask us if you wish to have online access to your medical record. However, there will be certain protocols that we have to follow in order to give you online access, including written consent and production of documents that prove your identity.

Please note that when we give you online access, the responsibility is yours to make sure that you keep your information safe and secure if you do not wish any third party to gain access.

### **C. Correction**

We want to make sure that your personal information is accurate and up to date. You may ask us to correct any information you think is inaccurate. It is very important that

you make sure you tell us if your contact details including your mobile phone number has changed.

#### **D. Removal**

You have the right to ask for your information to be removed however, if we require this information to assist us in providing you with appropriate medical services and diagnosis for your healthcare, then removal may not be possible.

#### **E. Objection**

We cannot share your information with anyone else for a purpose that is not directly related to your health, e.g. medical research, educational purposes, etc. We would ask you for your consent in order to do this however, you have the right to request that your personal and healthcare information is not shared by the Surgery in this way. Please note the Anonymised Information section in this Privacy Notice.

#### **F. Transfer**

You have the right to request that your personal and/or healthcare information is transferred, in an electronic form (or other form), to another organisation, but we will require your clear consent to be able to do this.

### **11. THIRD PARTIES MENTIONED ON YOUR MEDICAL RECORD**

Sometimes we record information about third parties mentioned by you to us during any consultation. We are under an obligation to make sure we also protect that third party's rights as an individual and to ensure that references to them which may breach their rights to confidentiality, are removed before we send any information to any other party including yourself. Third parties can include: spouses, partners, and other family members.

### **12. HOW WE USE THE INFORMATION ABOUT YOU**

We use your personal and healthcare information in the following ways:

- A. when we need to speak to, or contact other doctors, consultants, nurses or any other medical/healthcare professional or organisation during the course of your diagnosis or treatment or on going healthcare;
- B. when we are required by Law to hand over your information to any other organisation, such as the police, by court order, solicitors, or immigration enforcement.

***We will never pass on your personal information to anyone else who does not need it, or has no right to it, unless you give us clear consent to do so.***

### **13. LEGAL JUSTIFICATION FOR COLLECTING AND USING YOUR INFORMATION**

The Law says we need a **legal basis** to handle your personal and healthcare information.

**CONTRACT:** We have a contract with NHS England to deliver healthcare services to you. This contract provides that we are under a legal obligation to ensure that we deliver medical and healthcare services to the public.

**CONSENT:** Sometimes we also rely on the fact that you give us consent to use your personal and healthcare information so that we can take care of your healthcare needs.

Please note that you have the right to withdraw consent at any time if you no longer wish to receive services from us.

**NECESSARY CARE:** Providing you with the appropriate healthcare, where necessary. The Law refers to this as 'protecting your vital interests' where you may be in a position not to be able to consent.

**LAW:** Sometimes the Law obliges us to provide your information to an organisation (see above).

#### **14. SPECIAL CATEGORIES**

The Law states that personal information about your health falls into a special category of information because it is very sensitive. Reasons that may entitle us to use and process your information may be as follows:

**PUBLIC INTEREST:** Where we may need to handle your personal information when it is considered to be in the public interest. For example, when there is an outbreak of a specific disease and we need to contact you for treatment, or we need to pass your information to relevant organisations to ensure you receive advice and/or treatment;

**CONSENT:** When you have given us consent;

**VITAL INTEREST:** If you are incapable of giving consent, and we have to use your information to protect your vital interests (e.g. if you have had an accident and you need emergency treatment);

**DEFENDING A CLAIM:** If we need your information to defend a legal claim against us by you, or by another party;

**PROVIDING YOU WITH MEDICAL CARE:** Where we need your information to provide you with medical and healthcare services

#### **15. HOW LONG WE KEEP YOUR PERSONAL INFORMATION**

We carefully consider any personal information that we store about you, and we will not keep your information for longer than is necessary for the purposes as set out in this Privacy Notice.

## **16. UNDER 16s**

There is a separate privacy notice for patients under the age of 16 being developed, a copy of which may be obtained on request when it has been finalised. If anyone under the age of 16 requires information in the interim this is available from the Practice's Data Protection Officer.

## **17. IF ENGLISH IS NOT YOUR FIRST LANGUAGE**

If English is not your first language you can request a translation of this Privacy Notice. Please contact our Data Protection Officer.

## **18. COMPLAINTS**

If you have a concern about the way we handle your personal data or you have a complaint about what we are doing, or how we have used or handled your personal and/or healthcare information, then please contact our Miss Donna Lewis, Hollyns Health and Wellbeing – Clayton, 4 Glenholme Park, Clayton, Bradford, BD14 6NF.

If you are still unhappy following a review by the Practice you can then complain to the Information Commissioner's Office: <https://ico.org.uk/>.

## **19. OUR WEBSITE**

The only website this Privacy Notice applies to is the Surgery's website. If you use a link to any other website from the Surgery's website then you will need to read their respective privacy notice. We take no responsibility (legal or otherwise) for the content of other websites.

## **20. COOKIES**

The Surgery's website uses cookies. For more information on which cookies we use and how we use them, please see our Cookies Policy.

## **21. SECURITY**

We take the security of your information very seriously and we do everything we can to ensure that your information is always protected and secure. We regularly update our processes and systems and we also ensure that our staff are properly trained. We also carry out assessments and audits of the information that we hold about you and make sure that if we provide any other services, we carry out proper assessments and security reviews.

## **22. TEXT MESSAGING AND CONTACTING YOU/PHONE CALLS TO THE PRACTICE**

Because we are obliged to protect any confidential information we hold about you and we take this very seriously, it is imperative that you let us know immediately if you change any of your contact details.

We may contact you using SMS texting to your mobile phone in the event that we need to notify you about appointments and other services that we provide to you involving your direct care, therefore you must ensure that we have your up to date details. This is to ensure we are sure we are actually contacting you and not another person.

All Telephone calls In and Out of the Practice are routinely recorded for the following purposes: • To make sure that staff act in compliance with Practice procedures. • To ensure quality control. • Training, monitoring and service improvement • To prevent crime, misuse and to protect staff

### **23. WHERE TO FIND OUR PRIVACY NOTICE**

You may find a copy of this Privacy Notice in the Surgery's reception, on our website, or a copy may be provided on request.

### **24. CHANGES TO OUR PRIVACY NOTICE**

We regularly review and update our Privacy Notice. This Privacy Notice was last updated on 6<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

### **25. CCTV**

CCTV is used at our Clayton site. Our supplier is Secom, the images are stored securely within the practice for 31 days.