Sharing information

The information held about you will not be shared for any reason, unless:

- You ask us to do so
- We ask and you give us specific permission
- We are required by law, for example prescribers must be notified where a patient presents a repeat prescription and the pharmacist becomes aware of clinically significant issues arising in connection with that prescription
- We are permitted by law, for example where public interest overrides the need to keep the information confidential

Anyone who receives information from us also has a legal duty to keep this information confidential, subject to recognised exceptions of the types listed above.

Confidentiality

You have the right to confidentiality. We also comply with the NHS Code of Practice on Confidentiality and healthcare personnel have a requirement under their professional code of ethics to keep records about you confidential, secure and accurate.

All of our staff contracts of employment contain a requirement to keep patient information confidential.

Information recorded

Information recorded about you may include:

- Basic details, such as address, date of birth, next of kin
- Details and clinical records about your treatment, medical and social health
- Records of medicines you have been prescribed
- Information relevant to your continued care from other people who care for you and know you well, such as other health professionals and relatives

Your right to view your clinical records

You have the right to view the original of your clinical records free of charge. To request a copy, please write to the Practice Manager and a copy will be provided within 30 working days.

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