

Consent to communication and your Summary Care Record with Additional Information

A. Summary Care Record with Additional Information
 Anyone registered with a GP practice in England, will have a “**Summary Care Record**” unless you have chosen not to. It includes: Current medication/ Allergies and details of any previous bad reactions to medicines / Your name, address, date of birth and NHS number.

 However, unless you have specifically asked for “**Additional Information**” to be included, health and care professionals who do not know your medical history may not have the following:
 Significant medical history (past and present) / Reason for medication / Anticipatory care information (such as information about the management of long term conditions) / Communication preferences / End of life care information / Immunisations

B. Receiving messages via text
 You can receive communications from your GP Surgery by letter and phone, however **you have to give consent** to receive text messages from the GP Surgery to your mobile phone. This includes; appointment reminders, test results, messages relating to your specific health need (e.g. a flu vaccination reminder), general health information that could benefit you, information about emergencies (e.g. winter pressures). Your phone number will not be provided to third parties.

C. Receiving messages via email
 You can receive communications from your GP Surgery by letter and phone, however **you have to give consent** to receive messages from the GP Surgery to your email address. This includes; appointment reminders, test results, messages relating to your specific health need (e.g. a flu vaccination reminder, diabetic management plans), requesting you contact the GP Surgery if they have tried to contact you by telephone, general health information that could benefit you, information about emergencies (e.g. winter pressures)
 Your email address will not be provided to third parties.

Your Decision – You can agree to one, two, or all three

A	Yes, I am happy for additional information to be included in my Summary Care Record , this means healthcare staff treating me can see a summary of my medical history in addition to my medication and allergies		Please Tick
B	Yes, I am happy to receive messages from my GP Surgery via text . Messages I receive will only relate to those listed in box B above.		
C	Yes, I am happy to receive messages from my GP Surgery via email . Messages I receive will only relate to those listed in box C above.		

GP Practice/Surgery: _____

Name: _____ **Date of Birth:** ____ / ____ / ____

Signature: _____

If you are filling in this form on behalf of another person, please ensure that you fill in their details above; you sign the form above and provide your details below:

Name: _____ Parent Legal Guardian Lasting power of attorney

FAQ's

Does this mean anyone can just look at my record?

No. Your record can only be seen by staff who are currently involved in your direct care, have a need to see it, and have asked for your permission. The only exception to this is in case of an emergency. For instance, if you were taken to hospital unconscious, a doctor could look at your summary care record without your permission. If this happens, an alert is created showing who looked at the record and why, this is to make sure any access to your record is always logged.

Does it contain sensitive information?

No. Specific sensitive information like fertility treatments, sexually transmitted infections, pregnancy terminations and gender reassignment will not be automatically included when the information is added.

Are you going to sell the information in my record?

No. If your record is shared, it's only ever available to staff for the purposes of your health care, nothing else.

Can I change my mind?

Yes. Just tell your GP Surgery and they can update your decision at any time.

Can I opt out of having my Summary Care Record available?

Yes. If you wish to opt out completely, please ask your practice for a 'SCR opt out' form.

Can I access my record online?

Yes. You can view parts of your GP record, including information about medication, allergies, vaccinations, previous illnesses and test results. Ask you GP Surgery for information on how to sign up to 'GP Online Services'. You can read more about this service by following this link. <https://www.nhs.uk/NHSEngland/AboutNHSservices/doctors/Pages/gp-online-services.aspx>

Patient Information: <https://digital.nhs.uk/summary-care-records/patients>