

PLANNING AND RESEARCH

This practice is supporting vital health and care planning and research by sharing your data with NHS Digital. For more information about this see the GP Practice Privacy Notice for [General Practice Data for Planning and Research](#).

<https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections/general-practice-data-for-planning-and-research>

This collection will start on 1 July 2021

If you do not want your data to be shared with NHS Digital please register your Type 1 Opt-out with your GP practice **by 23 June 2021**.

What is GPDfPR? “General Practice Data for Planning and Research”

- Following endorsement by the British Medical Association (BMA), Royal College of General Practitioners (RCGP) and National Data Guardian, NHS Digital is collecting and disseminating GP data for planning and research.
- Similar data extraction has already been happening under the Covid-19 Public Health Directions, known as “General Practice Extraction Service (GPES) Data for Pandemic Planning and Research (**GDPPR**) – which is specifically for Covid. More details can be found at - <https://digital.nhs.uk/coronavirus/gpes-data-for-pandemic-planning-and-research/guide-for-analysts-and-users-of-the-data#data-coverage-management-information>
- **GPDfPR has significant safeguards in place** to prevent the sale of patient data to outside organizations. The BMA (British Medical Association) and RCGP (Royal College of GPs) have endorsed it.

The first data extraction for GPDfPR is due to occur on **1st July 2021**, therefore:

Patients who do NOT want their data to be extracted have until 23rd June 2021, to register a “Type 1 Opt Out” with their practice.



OPTING OUT OF GENERAL PRACTICE DATA FOR PLANNING AND RESEARCH

Type 1 Opt-out (opting out of NHS Digital collecting your data)

NHSD will not collect data from GP practices about patients who have **registered a Type 1 Opt-out with their practice**. More information about Type 1 Opt-outs is in the [GP Data for Planning and Research Transparency Notice](https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections/general-practice-data-for-planning-and-research/transparency-notice), = <https://digital.nhs.uk/data-and-information/data-collections-and-data-sets/data-collections/general-practice-data-for-planning-and-research/transparency-notice> including a form that you can complete and send to your GP practice.

This collection will start on 1 July 2021 so if you do not want your data to be shared with NHS Digital, please register your Type 1 Opt-out with your GP practice by **23 June 2021**.

If you register a Type 1 Opt-out after this collection has started, no more of your data will be shared with NHSD. They will however still hold the patient data which was shared before you registered the Type 1 Opt-out.

If you **do not want NHS Digital to share your identifiable patient data with anyone else** for purposes beyond your own care, then you can also register a National Data Opt-out.

National Data Opt-out (opting out of NHS Digital sharing your data with other organizations)

NHSD will collect data from GP medical records about patients who have registered a National Data Opt-out. The National Data Opt-out applies to identifiable patient data about your health, which is called confidential patient information.

NHS Digital won't share any confidential patient information about you - this includes GP data, or other information, such as hospital data - with other organisations, unless there is an exemption to this.

To find out more information and how to register a National Data Opt-Out, please read NHSD [GP Data for Planning and Research Transparency Notice](#).

A Type 1 opt out has to be registered by your Practice; please let us know if you want to register a type 1 opt out. The Opt-Out form can be found at <https://nettlebed.gpsurgery.net/opt-out-form/>.

A National Opt out can be done without contacting your practice, at <https://www.nhs.uk/your-nhs-data-matters/>