



Privacy Notice – National screening programmes

Plain English explanation

The NHS provides national screening programmes so that certain diseases can be detected at an early stage, for example, bowel cancer, breast cancer, cervical cancer, aortic aneurysms. The law allows us to share your contact information with Public Health England so that you can be invited to the relevant screening programme.

More information can be found at: <https://www.gov.uk/topic/population-screening-programmes> or speak to the practice.

We are required by Articles in the UK GDPR to provide you with the information in the following 9 subsections:

1) Data Controller contact details	Eleanor Cross Healthcare Delapre Medical Centre Gloucester Avenue Northampton NN4 8QF
2) Data Protection Officer contact details	Hayley Gidman Midlands and Lancashire CSU FAO: Delapre Medical Centre Gloucester Avenue Northampton NN4 8QF
3) Purpose of the processing	The NHS provides several national health screening programmes to detect diseases or conditions earlier such as; cervical and breast cancer, aortic aneurysm, diabetic retinopathy. More information can be found at https://www.gov.uk/topic/population-screening-programmes . The information is shared so as to ensure only those who should be called for screening are called and/or those at highest risk are prioritised.
4) Lawful basis for processing	The processing of personal data in the delivery of direct care and for providers' administrative purposes in this surgery and in support of direct care elsewhere is supported under the following Article 6 and 9 conditions of the UK GDPR:

	<p><i>Article 6(1)(e) '...necessary for the performance of a task carried out in the public interest or in the exercise of official authority...'</i></p> <p><i>Article 9(2)(h) 'necessary for the purposes of preventative or occupational medicine for the assessment of the working capacity of the employee, medical diagnosis, the provision of health or social care or treatment or the management of health or social care systems and services...'</i></p> <p>We will also recognise your rights established under UK case law collectively known as the "Common Law Duty of Confidentiality"[*].</p>
<p>5) Recipient or categories of recipients of the shared data</p>	<p>The data will be shared with:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Northampton General Hospital • Primary Care Support England (PCSE) • NHS abdominal aortic aneurysm (AAA) programme • NHS bowel cancer screening (BCSP) programme • NHS breast screening (BSP) programme • NHS cervical screening (CSP) programme • NHS diabetic eye screening (DES) programme • NHS fetal anomaly screening programme (FASP) • NHS infectious diseases in pregnancy screening (IDPS) programme • NHS newborn and infant physical examination (NIPE) screening programme • NHS newborn blood spot (NBS) screening programme • NHS newborn hearing screening programme (NHSP) • NHS sickle cell and thalassaemia (SCT) screening programme • Population screening: data and intelligence • Population screening: evidence and guidance • Population screening: quality assurance • National Cancer Registration and Analysis Service (NCRAS) • National Congenital Anomaly and Rare Disease Registration Service (NCARDRS)
<p>6) Right to object</p>	<p>You have the right to object to this processing of your data and to some or all of the information being shared with the recipients. Contact the Data Controller or the practice.</p> <p>For national screening programmes: you can opt out so that you no longer receive an invitation to a screening programme. Further information can be found at https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/opting-out-of-the-nhs-population-screening-programmes or speak to your practice.</p>
<p>7) Right to access and correct</p>	<p>You have the right to access the data that is being shared and have any inaccuracies corrected. There is no right to have accurate medical records deleted except when ordered by a court of Law.</p>

8) Retention period	GP medical records will be kept in line with the law and national guidance. Information on how long records can be kept can be found at: https://digital.nhs.uk/article/1202/Records-Management-Code-of-Practice-for-Health-and-Social-Care-2016 or speak to the practice.
9) Right to complain	You have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner’s Office, you can use this link https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/ or call their helpline tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate).

* “Common Law Duty of Confidentiality”, common law is not written out in one document like an Act of Parliament. It is a form of law based on previous court cases decided by judges; hence, it is also referred to as 'judge-made' or case law. The law is applied by reference to those previous cases, so common law is also said to be based on precedent.

The general position is that if information is given in circumstances where it is expected that a duty of confidence applies, that information cannot normally be disclosed without the information provider's consent.

In practice, this means that all patient information, whether held on paper, computer, visually or audio recorded, or held in the memory of the professional, must not normally be disclosed without the consent of the patient. It is irrelevant how old the patient is or what the state of their mental health is; the duty still applies.

Three circumstances making disclosure of confidential information lawful are:

- where the individual to whom the information relates has consented;
- where disclosure is in the public interest; and
- where there is a legal duty to do so, for example a court order.