Summary Care Records (SCR)

Information for patients

Your Summary Care Record (SCR) is a short electronic summary of your GP medical records.

It shows other health professionals caring for you, the**medicines you take and any allergies you may have.**  It also includes your name, address, date of birth and NHS number which helps to identify you.

Staff will always ask your permission to access your SCR with the exception of an emergency situation where you may be unable to express consent.

Patients registered with a GP practice in England will already have a SCR unless you have previously chosen to opt out of having one

You can add more information to your SCR by asking your doctor. They can add extra details from your medical notes, including:

* health problems like dementia or diabetes
* details of your carer
* your treatment preferences
* communication needs, for example if you have hearing difficulties or need an interpreter

Having more information on your SCR means health professionals caring for you will have an overall picture of your health needs and preferences.

**Ask your doctor to include additional information on your SCR**

**Opting out**

SCRs improve care, but if you don’t want to have one you can opt out. To do this, please click on the link below. Print and fill in the form and hand in or post to reception.

You can always opt back in if you wish to. Just ask at reception to do this.

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