

## **National screening programmes**

- The NHS provides national screening programmes so that certain diseases can be detected at an early stage.
- These screening programmes include bowel cancer, breast cancer, cervical cancer, aortic aneurysms and a diabetic eye screening service.
- 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>

We are required by law to provide you with the following information about how we handle your information and our legal obligations to share data.

<b>Data Controller</b> contact details	The Fairfield Practice, 41-43 Fairfield Grove, Charlton, SE7 8TX
<b>Data Protection Officer</b> contact details	The Practice Manager, The Fairfield Practice, 41-43 Fairfield Grove, Charlton, SE7 8TX
<b>Purpose</b> of the processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The NHS provides several national health screening programmes to detect diseases or conditions early such as cervical and breast cancer, aortic aneurysm and diabetes.</li> <li>• The information is shared so that the correct people are invited for screening. This means those who are most at risk can be offered treatment.</li> </ul>
<b>Lawful basis</b> for processing	<p>The following sections of the GDPR allow us to contact patients for screening.</p> <p>Article 6(1)(e) – ‘processing is necessary...in the exercise of official authority vested in the controller...’</p> <p>Article 9(2)(h) – ‘processing is necessary for the purpose of preventative...medicine...the provision of health or social care or treatment or the management of health or social care systems and services...’</p>
<b>Recipient or categories of recipients</b> of the processed data	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The data will be shared with NHS Digital.</li> <li>• The data will be shared with our local health protection team or Public Health England.</li> </ul>
<b>Rights to object and the national data opt-out</b>	<p>For national screening programmes: you can opt so that you no longer receive an invitation to a screening programme.</p> <p>See: <a href="https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/opting-out-of-the-nhs-population-screening-programmes">https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/opting-out-of-the-nhs-population-screening-programmes</a></p> <p>Or speak to your practice.</p>
<b>Right to access and correct</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• You have the right to access your medical record and have any errors or mistakes corrected. Please speak to a member of staff and ask for an ‘Access to Medical Records’ leaflet.</li> <li>• We are not aware of any circumstances in which you will have the right to delete correct information from your medical record; although you are free to obtain your own legal advice if you believe there is no lawful purpose for which we hold the information and contact us if you hold a different view.</li> </ul>

<b>Retention period</b>	GP medical records will be kept in line with the law and national guidance. Information on how long records are kept can be found at: <a href="https://digital.nhs.uk/article/1202/Records-Management-Code-of-Practice-for-Health-and-Social-Care-2016">https://digital.nhs.uk/article/1202/Records-Management-Code-of-Practice-for-Health-and-Social-Care-2016</a> or speak to the practice.
<b>Right to complain</b>	You have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office. If you wish to complain follow this link <a href="https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/">https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/</a> or call the helpline <b>0303 123 1113</b>
<b>Data we get from other Organisations</b>	We receive information about your health from other organisations who are involved in providing you with health and social care. For example, if you go to hospital for treatment or an operation the hospital will send us a letter to let us know what happens. This means your GP medical record is kept up-to date when you receive care from other parts of the health service.