

## How Does This Work?

The computer systems of your local GP and Wirral University Teaching Hospital are securely connected together using the secure NHS network.

Before any information is collected or displayed to a care professional, that professional must have your consent to view your record. Your consent is recorded on the system so that we know exactly who has accessed what information and when.

When your records are requested, the information is requested from the different systems and shown to the requestor.

The information collected is viewable only. It is not stored and cannot be changed or deleted. As the information is only collected when it is needed, it is always accurate and as up to date as possible.

## What Will Happen When Healthcare Professionals Want To View My Record?

You will be asked directly to give your explicit consent, at the point of contact. The Clinician will only view your record if you say yes. The record will only be viewable for the duration of your treatment.

If you are unable to give consent, for example if you are unconscious and it is deemed vital, then a healthcare professional may view your record in order to be able to provide appropriate care for you.

In this situation, the healthcare professional must state a reason consent has not been obtained (e.g patient is unconscious), this is logged in the system and is fully auditable.

## Can I Opt Out Of Allowing My Patient Records To Be Shared?

If you are concerned about sharing your GP and Hospital records you can opt out of allowing them to be shared.

All you need to do is contact your GP practice who will arrange this. This can be done at any time – now or in the future.

## Further Information and Support.

Our web page provides detailed information:

[www.somervillemedicalcentre.co.uk](http://www.somervillemedicalcentre.co.uk)



## Making Your Local Health Record Work Better For You



Wirral University Teaching Hospital   
NHS Foundation Trust

  
Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group

## What Are We Trying To Achieve?

Currently each health care provider on Wirral holds a separate set of health records about you. These separate records are not easily accessible between the people that are caring for you. For example, if you were to attend A&E the doctor in the hospital will not be able to see what medications have been prescribed by your GP or what allergies your GP has documented.

Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group, Your local GP Practice and Wirral University Teaching Hospital are working together to implement a local programme to allow easier access to relevant medical data

## How Will Sharing My Health Record Help Me?

You will no longer have to remember or provide your medical history and medication details, every time you see a health care provider.

Healthcare providers will have access to the most up to date important information regarding your medications, allergies, any adverse reactions you've previously had and your healthcare treatments.

Advice and treatment will take into account your previous history in both the hospital and community setting.

Having a fuller picture of all your medical history at the point of care will allow for safer, quicker and more effective decisions regarding your care to be made.

## Who Will Be Able To See My Record?

- NHS Wirral Clinical Commissioning Group GP practices who have signed up to the Information Sharing Agreement
- Neston Medical Centre/Neston Surgery/Willaston Surgery (GP Practices of the West Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group)
- Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust (Arrowe Park Hospital and Clatterbridge Hospital)

Your record is only available to the care organisations in Wirral that have signed up to the Information Sharing Agreement.

Only Clinicians directly involved in your care will be able to view your shared record.

This will include Hospital Consultants, Specialist Registrars, Junior Doctors, Nurses, GP's, Community Nurses.

## What Information Will Be Shared?

Wirral University Teaching Hospital will share the following information with your local GP.

- Previous Visits
- Future Appointments
- Laboratory Results
- Radiology Results
- Microbiology Results
- Discharge Summaries
- Medications
- Allergies
- Diagnoses
- Procedures
- Immunisations
- Vital Signs

Your local GP will share the following information with Wirral University Teaching Hospital.

- Your Demographics
- Your current problems, current medication, allergies and recent tests
- Problems view
- Diagnosis view
- Medications including current, past and relevant issues
- Risks and Warnings
- Procedures
- Investigations
- Examinations of your blood pressure
- Diagnoses
- Procedures
- Immunisations
- Vital Signs