

## Care Data – Patient Choice

The Health and Social Care Information Centre [HSCIC] is now the central point for NHS data. It receives data from non GP sources such as hospitals as well as being able to receive data from GPs. Every data path leads to the HSCIC. Some processing can take place in the HSCIC for internal NHS purposes such as commissioning services but in addition data can then leave the HSCIC bound for non NHS destinations such as research, universities and commercial organisations.

HSCIC is the focus point for all this data.

This is also separate to the Patient Summary Care Record which allows NHS Healthcare staff caring for you in an emergency to be aware of your current medication, allergies and if you suffer from any bad reactions to medications.

1. Patients can stop any identifiable data being sent from GP systems to the HSCIC for care data purposes. It will not stop other data flows; SCR, risk strategy etc. So with Option A you can stop your GP data going up to the HSCIC. It does not have any effect on the data in HSCIC.
2. Patients can stop their data, no matter where from, from leaving the HSCIC. This is what Option B does as it acts independently of Option A. With Option B no identifiable data, no matter where it originates, will leave the HSCIC for any destination either inside or outside the NHS.
3. Patients can allow their identifiable data to be sent from GP systems to the HSCIC for any care data purposes with Option C and no GP system identifiable data will leave the HSCIC for any destination either inside or outside the NHS.

<b>Patient Name:</b>	
<b>Patient Address:</b>	
<b>Patient Date of Birth:</b>	
	<b>Please Tick ONE option only</b>
<b>Option A</b> No identifiable GP data goes up to the HSCIC but identifiable data from other parts of the NHS will leave the HSCIC.  [ For Practice only use READ code 9Nu0]	
<b>Option B</b> No identifiable GP data goes up to the HSCIC and none of your identifiable data from the other parts of the NHS leaves the HSCIC.  [For Practice only use READ code 9Nu0 and 9Nu4]	
<b>Option C</b> Identifiable data will flow from your GP to the HSCIC but no identifiable data will leave the HSCIC.  [For Practice only use READ code 9Nu4]	
<b>Option D</b> Identifiable data goes from the GP up to the HSCIC, identifiable data from all NHS sources can leave the HSCIC.  [For Practice use only-No codes]	

**Patient Signature:**

**Date Signed:**