

How your GP can help you control your personal and confidential information

- The diagram below shows some of the potential flows of your confidential and identifiable information, *without your express consent*, within the NHS
- You can contact your surgery and request that your GP adds any or all relevant Read codes (electronic “flags”), 9Nu0/9Nu4/9Ndo/9Nd1, to your GP records to prevent your data being processed in a particular way (i.e. you can “opt-out” of these types of data sharing)
- Your GP will only add these flags *at your request*
- The Read codes have no function other than to tell software systems not to extract and/or send your data
- Any opt-out can be easily reversed (i.e. you can opt back in) *at any time* should you change your mind
- Make sure you understand what you are opting out of - follow the links, or see www.nhsdatasharing.info

