EMIS moving to Amazon warehousing system for data storage

A data processor acting on our behalf, EMIS Health, is changing certain technical aspects of the way in which it delivers services to us and as part of this transition it will be moving the data which it hosts on our behalf from its own data centre to a third party data centre, which is owned and operated by Amazon Web Services (**AWS**).

Delivery of the services is subject to the terms of the GP Systems of Choice Framework (**GPSOC**) which is managed by NHS Digital on behalf of the Secretary of State for Health.

The exercise will involve a change to the manner in which data is being processed on our behalf. The data (which includes special category data (i.e. health data) which is collected via the processor’s clinical IT system and which forms the patient’s medical record) will be stored in a third party data centre (which will act on the instructions of EMIS Health). Aside from the hosting element the manner in which the data is being used or otherwise processed will not materially change as a result of this. Aside from the manner in which the data is being hosted, we have not identified, as part of this any material change to the manner in which the data is being processed (in terms of data sharing and/or use).

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