

DATA PROTECTION OFFICE NEWS

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News

As communicated via email recently, Dr Fitton has stepped down from his role as DPO. He has been invited to take part in a two-year taskforce with the European Federation of Laboratory Medicine on "Disruptive Technology and Patient Engagement". We wish him well with his next challenge and are grateful for all the work he has done in setting up the West Pennine DPO function.

We are delighted to announce that Jane Hill has now taken on the role of Data Protection Officer for the GP practices in the West Pennine area. Jane Hill has developed Data Protection and GPDR expertise, having been an integral member of the DPO team since the implementation of GDPR in May 2018. She has successfully completed a DPA 2018 course and a 4-day GDPR exam course and has over 14 years' experience of working in NHS Primary Care. Jane is part of a wider DPO network and will be attending relevant meetings and forums, including the GM Information Governance Group.

Oldham Shares

In my role as DPO, I attended last week's Oldham CCG meeting where the Oldham Shares scheme was introduced by Dr Shelley Grumbridge. She explained that the Communications campaign is about to be launched, giving patients the opportunity to understand how their data will be processed by their practice. I have requested that I get to see the DSA (data Sharing Agreement) ASAP and I, along with other DPO colleagues, will be scrutinising this agreement in great depth. If we have any concerns, we will of course flag them as a matter of urgency.

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