

DATA PROTECTION OFFICE NEWS

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Access to records update

As you will be aware, NHS England have dictated in the recently imposed GP contract that 31st October is now the deadline for the requirement of enabling patients to have access to prospective data in the GP record, via the NHS app and other equivalent apps.

On September 13th Jane Hill, GP Practice appointed DPO, and Dr Amir Hannan, MBE met with Tristan Stanton, NHS England's Programme lead for the Accelerated Citizens Access to Health Records programme. Both Jane and Dr Hannan flagged that there are ongoing concerns and significant risks with the proposal of enabling access en masse. These risks include clinical risks, inadequate redaction software, and workload pressures. On behalf of The Association of GM LMCs, the attached update was shared with all GPs and Practice Managers across Greater Manchester. It was also shared with the BMA-GP Committee Chair Dr Katie Bramall-Stainer, who welcomed the update and confirmed that further BMA guidance on this will be published in the next couple of weeks.

I have also attached guidance on redaction and hiding documents from patient view, which you may wish to share with your practice team.



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Access and Underst



Snomed codes.pdf



Important update
for GP Practices - 15.



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sibility User Guide 1.5



DPO Guidance for
GP Practices re Accel



Guide to Document
Workflow for Patient

Information Sharing Gateway

It has been brought to my attention that some practices assurance has expired on the Information Sharing Gateway. It is usually because there isn't an updated ICO registration number recorded. Are you able to please sign into the Information Sharing Gateway and check this?

Thank you.

[Information Sharing Gateway Unavailable](#)

Caldicott Guardian Training

<https://www.ukcgc.uk/>

The UK Caldicott Guardian Council will be delivering a training session via Teams on Tuesday 5th December at 5.30pm. If you wish to book onto this session, please contact [Helen Dyer at helen.dyer10@nhs.net](mailto:helen.dyer10@nhs.net)

Data Protection training

Having received requests for training from several practices, I have started to deliver Data Protection training sessions for GP practice teams. If you feel your team could benefit from a short F2F session, I am very happy to come out to your practice building to support you with this.

If you wish to discuss any of the above, or any other Data Protection concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me on 07951 530 417 or Jane.hilldpo@nhs.net