



Your emergency care summary

Summary Care Record – your emergency care summary

The NHS in England is introducing the Summary Care Record, which will be used in emergency care.

The record will contain information about any medicines you are taking, allergies you suffer from and any bad reactions to medicines you have had to ensure those caring for you have enough information to treat you safely.

Your Summary Care Record will be available to authorised emergency healthcare staff providing your care anywhere in England, but they will ask your permission before they look at it.

Bridge Surgery is supporting Summary Care Records and as a patient you have a choice:

- **Yes I would like a Summary Care Record** – you do not need to do anything and a Summary Care Record has been created for you automatically.
- **No I do not want a Summary Care Record** – please ask at reception for an 'opt out' form to complete and return to us. *If you previously completed an 'opt out' form following the patient letters sent out in 2010 a Summary Care Record will **not** have been created for you.*

It is your choice as whether you have a Summary Care Record and you can change your mind at any time by informing us.

For further information telephone the Patient Advice and Liaison Service (PALS) on 0800 030 4563, visit www.nhscarerecords.nhs.uk or telephone the NHS Summary Care Record Information Line on 0300 123 3020. An information leaflet is also available from reception.