

Do you trust the coalition government with your confidential medical records?



Do you think a huge new database of NHS numbers and your personal info, available to private companies, can be kept safely and permanently anonymised?

If you do, ignore this leaflet, but if you don't: we invite you to act now and tell your GP you want to **OPT OUT** of the *care.data* scheme.

Roughly half of GPs recently surveyed are opting out of *care.data* personally; some are even considering opting out all their patients, which would be against the law. That's how concerned GPs are.

It's really easy to **OPT OUT** – just tell your GP! If enough people opt out, *care.data* will be unworkable and of little use to private companies.

***care.data* is a government initiative, made possible by the Health & Social Care Act 2012, the purpose of which is the wholesale privatisation of our National Health Service.**

Keep Our NHS Public is recommending:

OPT OUT NOW!

- *care.data* is not about your health care
- *care.data* is not about helpfully sharing info between medical professionals
- *care.data* is about opening up the NHS to yet more privatisation
- *care.data* will give insurance companies information about you which you will not want them to have

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For more detailed information on *care.data*, how to opt out, and what it means for every NHS patient in England see: <http://www.care-data.info>. Check the press for articles about *care.data* and make up your own mind, but do so quickly – once your personal medical history is on *care.data* it will not be removed.

If you decide to opt out, contact your GP immediately & request you and your dependants are opted out of *care.data*. To download more copies of this leaflet go to:
<http://www.keepournhspublic.com/pdf/data-opt-out.pdf>



Dear Doctor

I am writing to advise you that I am NOT happy for information about me to be shared on the *care.data* initiative. The leaflet entitled *Better Information Means Better Care* advises I notify you of my choice. Please take whatever steps necessary to ensure my confidential personal information is not uploaded and record my dissent by whatever means possible.

This includes adding the 'Dissent from secondary use of GP patient identifiable data' code (Read v2: 9Nu0 or CVT3: XaZ89) to my record as well as the 'Dissent from disclosure of personal confidential data by Health & Social Care Information Centre' code (Read v2: 9Nu4 or CTV3: XaaVL).

I understand my request will not affect the care I receive and will notify you should I change my mind. Thank you.

Signature: Full name:

Address:

Postcode:

Date of birth: NHS number (if known):