Public Health Privacy Notice

Public health encompasses everything from national smoking and alcohol policies, the management of epidemics such as flu, the control of large scale infections such as TB and Hepatitis B to local outbreaks of food poisoning or Measles. Certain illnesses are also notifiable: the doctors treating the patient are required by law to inform the Public Health Authorities of, for instance, Scarlet Fever.

This will necessarily mean the subjects personal and health information being shared with the Public Health organisations.

Some of the relevant legislation includes: the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/659), the Health Protection (Local Authority Powers) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/657), the Health Protection (Part 2A Orders) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/658), Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984, Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1988 and The Health Service (Control of Patient Information) Regulations 2002

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3) Purpose of the processing	There are occasions when medical data needs to be shared with Public
	Health England, the Local Authority Director of Public Health, or the
	Health Protection Agency, either under a legal obligation or for reasons of
	public interest or their equivalents in the devolved nations.
4) Lawful basis for processing	The legal basis will be
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	Article 6(1)(c) "processing is necessary for compliance with a legal
	obligation to which the controller is subject."
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	Article 9(2)(i) "processing is necessary for reasons of public interest in
	the area of public health, such as protecting against serious cross-border
	threats to health or ensuring high standards of quality and safety of health
	care and of medicinal products or medical devices,"
5) Recipient or categories of	The data will be shared with Public Health England
recipients of the shared data	https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england and
	equivalents in the devolved nations.
6) Rights to object	You have the right to object to some or all of the information being shared
	with the recipients. Contact the Data Controller or the practice.
7) Right to access and	You have the right to access the data that is being shared and have any
correct	inaccuracies corrected. There is no right to have accurate medical records
	deleted except when ordered by a court of Law.
8) Retention period	The data will be retained for active use during the period of the public
•	interest and according to legal requirements and Public Health England's
	criteria on storing identifiable data
	https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-

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	england/about/personal-information-charter.
9) Right to Complain.	You have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner's Office, you can use this link https://ico.org.uk/global/contact-us/ or calling their helpline Tel: 0303 123 1113 (local rate) or 01625 545 745 (national rate)