

This Practice contributes to Optimum Patient Care Research Database (OPCRD)

Patient health records are important for medical research to understand diseases and for better treatments. This practice supports medical research by contributing patient data to the Optimum Patient Care Research Database (OPCRD).

We also link primary care data from your GP practice with hospital care data and other health datasets. The linked data is held in a secure platform called OPCRD-NEXUS, hosted by Harvey Walsh Limited.

OPCRD including OPCRD-NEXUS is a not-for-profit research database that provides anonymised patient data for research, including Covid-19 research, to improve patient care, public health and science. Only research that have appropriate approvals can receive data from OPCRD or OPCRD-NEXUS.

You cannot be identified from the patient data we send to OPCRD for research. If you do not want your patient data to be used for research, **you can opt out** by contacting your GP practice, or use the national data opt-out service if you live in England – visit this website:

www.digital.nhs.uk/services/national-data-opt-out

For more information about OPCRD and OPCRD-NEXUS, and how we collect and use patient data for research visit www.opcrd.co.uk and read our [Data Transparency and Fair Processing Information](#).

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