

Privacy Notice Regent Orthodontics

How we use your personal information

This privacy Notice explains why the practice collects information about you and how the information may be used.

Health care professionals who provide you with care maintain records about your health and any treatment or care you have received. These records are used to help to provide you with the best possible healthcare.

NHS health care records may be electronic, on paper or a mixture of both, and we use a combination of working practices and technology to ensure that your information is kept confidential and secure.

Records that this practice hold about you may include the following information;

- . Details about you, such as your name, address, carers, legal representatives and emergency contact details.
- . Any contact the surgery has had with you, such as appointments, visits, emergency appointments, etc.
- . Notes and reports about your health
- . Details about your treatment and care
- . Results of investigations such as X-rays, etc
- . Relevant information from other health care professionals, relatives or those who care for you

To ensure that you receive the best possible care, your records are used to facilitate the care you receive. Information held about you may be used to help protect the health of the public and to help us manage the NHS. Information may be used within the GDP practice for clinical audit to monitor the quality of the service provided.

Some of this information will be held centrally and used for statistical purposes. Where we do this, we take strict measures to ensure that individual patients cannot be identified. Sometimes your information may have requested to be used for research purposes- the surgery will always gain your consent before realising the information for this purpose.

Risk Stratification

Risk stratification data tools are increasingly being used in the NHS to help to determine a person's risk of suffering a particular condition, preventing and unplanned or admission and identifying a need for intervention. Information about you is collected from a number of sources including NHS Trusts and from this practice. A risk score is then arrived at through an analysis of your de-identified information using software managed by the practice, and is only provided back to your GP as data controller in an identifiable form. Risk stratification enables your GP to focus on preventing problems regarding your treatment. If necessary your GP may be able to offer you additional services. Please note that you have the right to opt out being used this way.

How do we maintain the confidentiality of your records?

We are committed to protecting your privacy and will only use information collected lawfully in accordance with:

- . Data Protection Act 1998 and General Data Protection Regulations 2016
- . Human Rights 1998
- . Common Law Duty of Confidentiality
- . Health and Social Care Act 2012
- . NHS codes of Confidentiality, Information Security and Records Management
- . Information: To Share or Not to Share review

Every member of the staff who works for an NHS organisation has a legal obligation to keep information about you confidential.

We will only ever use or pass on your information about you if others involved in your care have a genuine need for it. We will not disclose your information to any third party without your permission unless there are exceptional circumstances (i.e. life or death situation) where the law requires information to be passed on and /or in accordance with the new information sharing principle following Dame Fiona Caldicott's information sharing review (information to share or not share) where "The duty to share information can be as important as the duty to protect patient confidentiality". This means that health and social care professional should have confidence to share information in the best interests of their patients within framework set out by the Caldicott principles. They should be supported by the policies of their employers, regulators and professional bodies.

Who are our partners organisations?

We may also have to share your information, subject to strict agreements on how it will be used with the following organisations;

- . NHS Trusts/ Foundation Trusts
- . GP's
- . Your Dentist

You will be informed who your data will be shared with and in some cases asked for explicit consent for this to happen when this is required.

Access to personal information

You have a right under the Data Protection Act 1998 to request access to view or obtain copies of what information the surgery holds about you and to have it amended should it be inaccurate. In order to request this, you need to do the following:

- . Your request must be made in writing to your Orthodontist
- . There may be a charge to have a printed copy to the information held about you.
- . We are required to respond in 40 days
- . You will need to give adequate information (for example full name, address, date of birth and details of your request) so that your identity can be verified and your records located.

Objections / Complaints

Should you have any concerns about how your information is managed at the practice, please contact the Practice Manager. If you are still unhappy following a review by the Practice. You can complain to the Information Commissioner Office (ICO) via their website (www.ico.gov.uk)

If you are happy for data to be extracted and used for the purpose described in this privacy notice then you do not have to do anything. If you have any concerns about how your data is shared then please contact the practice.

Change of Details

It is important that you tell the people treating you if any of your details such as your name or address have changed or if any of your details such as your date of birth is incorrect in order for this to be amended. You have a responsibility to inform us of any changes so our records are accurate and up to date for you.

Notification

The Data Protection 1998 requires organisations to register with the Information Commissioner to describe the purpose for which they process personal and sensitive information.

This Information is publicly available on the Information Commissioner Office website www.ico.org.uk

The Practice is registered with the Information Commissioners Office (ICO)

Who is the Data Controller?

The Data Controller, responsible for keeping your information secure and confidential is

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Complaints

Should you have any concerns about how your information is managed by the Practice, please contact the Practice Manager at the following address:

Mrs Amanda Roe
Regent Orthodontics
2A Regent Road
Ilkley
LS29 9EA

If you are still not happy following a review by the practice you can complain to the Information Commissioners Office (ICO) www.ico.org.uk ,casework@ico.org.uk , telephone 0303 1231113 (local rate) or 01625 545745