



For information:

NHS Digital's Notice on General Practice Data for Planning and Research

An increasing number of Practices are receiving communications from patients noting their 'Dissent from secondary use of GP patient identifiable data' either via a template letter, email or verbally. This is following a notice for NHS Digital in England for daily data collection under [General Practice Data for Planning and Research \(GPDPR\)](#) service.

This data service **does not presently apply to General Practice's in Wales** and is specifically for those Practices providing contracted services to English residents within England.

The increasing number of requests are likely to be due the fact that English residents have until 23rd June to notify their English GP practice that they wish to 'opt-out' of this data collection due to start on 1st July 2021.

If the practice receives any such communication from their patients, they should not take any action. We suggest a response explaining that processing of personal information for this purpose does not currently apply to Welsh GP held data in these circumstances. Thus, making any request of this nature invalid.

The practice may wish to include an item/notice on their website stating this position which may help to pre-empt such enquiries.

