

Your Health Summary (YHS), also known as the Shared Primary Care Record (SPCR) allows authorised healthcare professionals in alternative care settings to view a summary of the patient information stored in general practice. Health professionals that have access to an up-to-date summary of patient information at the time a patient presents, can deliver health care in a more safe, efficient and thorough manner.

THE PURPOSE OF YOUR HEALTH SUMMARY

Sharing health information through Your Health Summary improves patient safety and allows continuity of care in an environment where patients may not be seeing their usual doctor in a usual model of care. This is particularly helpful during the Covid-19 pandemic when patients who are confirmed or suspected to have Covid-19 may require urgent healthcare services outside of their regular practice.

Sharing health information through Your Health Summary will allow patients to receive the best care possible by:

- Alerting health professionals to any risks due to allergies, medications or conditions patients may have (even if they're unable to communicate)
- Making sure tests aren't repeated unnecessarily
- Enabling faster and better decisions to be made about care

ACCESSING DATA IN YHS

Clinics (community and hospital) and other health care providers with clear purpose and need such as St John Ambulance, Healthline or others will be able to apply for access to YHS to enable them to provide care to patients. Each application will be vetted by the YHS Clinical Director and provisional approval will be either given or denied. If provisional approval is granted, then usernames and passwords will be allocated to named registered health professionals where appropriate and to clinic administrators (with restricted / non-clinical access rights).

Provisional access granted by the YHS Clinical Director will be presented to the YHS Clinical Governance Group (YHS CGG) to ratify and approve. In the event concerns are raised by YHS CGG, access will be revoked.

In the event provisional access was denied by the YHS Clinical Director an applicant may appeal to the YHS CGG for a review of the decision. Access will not be granted until YHS CGG has approved the application in this instance.

Some organisations such as St John or Healthline may require different arrangements for access due to the nature of their work and workforce. These types of applications must be custom made between the Applicant and the YHS Clinical Director and approved by the YHS CGG prior to access being granted.

Patients are entitled under NZ Law to access their own health data. YHS will support this by advising patients to contact their enrolled practice who will be able to provide a copy of their health data from Your Health Summary.

ACCESS QUERY AND AUDIT*

Each time a patient's clinical data is viewed on the YHS; this is recorded in the audit log. Monthly random sample audits are conducted by the designated YHS Clinical Governance Group to match access to health information via the YHS to patient presentations at alternative care facilities.

*ProCare manages the YHS on behalf of the YHS Clinical Governance Group

YOUR HEALTH SUMMARY ACCESS APPLICATION

In signing this form I confirm that:

- I understand I am being granted access to the summary health records of people potentially throughout New Zealand,
- I confirm that I will access Your Health Summary (YHS) to provide healthcare for a named patient only when directly involved in their care
- I understand YHS does not represent a complete medical record and should be used in conjunction with other sources
- I understand all access is recorded and subject to audit
- I will ensure the person I am treating is aware that I am accessing their information and seek their (verbal) consent to do so before accessing the information wherever practicable
- I will ensure I observe all the relevant privacy, health and disability and other relevant acts and regulations along with any professional body guidance on best practice in accessing personal health information
- I confirm that we will not use Your Health Summary (YHS) or the YHS brand to solicit patients to change their enrolling general practice
- I understand that my use of the system may be audited and if I am found to have misused the information I may
 - have my access to the Your Health Summary revoked,
 - be subject to review and sanction by my professional body and
 - be subject to any other penalties that could be imposed under NZ legislation

<p>I _____ on behalf of all providers at: (PLEASE PRINT NAME)</p> <p>_____ request shared electronic (PRACTICE NAME)</p> <p>health record access.</p> <p>Signed: _____ Date: _____</p> <p>Note. Individual providers will be issued user names and passwords upon receipt of their individual provider access requests</p>
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Please sign, scan, and email the consent form to contact@yourhealthsummary.org.nz or fax the completed form to 09 377 7826. If you have any questions, please contact your PHO.