

NORTH PETHERTON SURGERY

SUMMARY CARE RECORDS

Your name.....

Date of birth.....

North Petherton Surgery offers its patients the choice of having a Summary Care Record.

The NHS Summary Care Record has been introduced to help deliver better and safer care and give you more choice about who you share your healthcare information with.

What is the NHS Summary Care Record?

The Summary Care Record contains basic information about:

- Any allergies you may have
- Unexpected reactions to medications
- Any prescriptions you have recently received

The intention is to help clinicians in Accident and Emergency Departments and Out of Hours health services to give you safe, timely and effective treatment.

Clinicians will only be allowed to access your record if they are authorised to do so and even then, only if you give your express permission. You will be asked if healthcare staff can look at your record every time they need to, unless it is an emergency, for instance if you are unconscious. You can refuse if you think access is unnecessary.

Children Under 16

Patients under 16 years will not receive this form but will have a Summary Care record created for them unless their GP surgery is advised otherwise.

You do not have to have a Summary Care Record, although you are strongly recommended to consider this choice. If you are happy for a Summary Care Record to be set up for you then you need take no further action. If you wish to opt out please tick the box below and return it to reception.

NO I do not want a Summary Care Record

Yes I would like a Summary Care Record

Signed.....

Date.....