Summary Care Record (SCR) and Stockport Health and Care Record (SHCR) Opt Out Form

As a Stockport resident, you may receive care and treatment from a number of places such as your GP practice, hospital and community services who will all hold information about you. In order for professionals to provide you with the best possible treatment and support it is important for them to have quick access to the information they need, which may be held by someone else who has provided you with care. In the past this was often done by fax, phone or post which can be slow. To improve this we have now moved to sharing information electronically. In Stockport this is achieved via nationally shared **Summary Care Record** and the **Stockport Health & Care Record**.

Summary Care Record (SCR)

The NHS in England introduced SCRs to improve the safety and quality of patient care. It gives healthcare staff across the country faster, easier access to reliable information about you to help with your treatment. A summary of NHS patient data is held on a central database covering England. The purpose is to make patient data readily available anywhere that you seek treatment in England, i.e. when you are away from Stockport.

The SCR is an electronic patient record which contains information about the medicines you take, allergies you suffer from and any bad reactions to medicines you have had.

Having an SCR gives authorised healthcare staff a quicker way to get important information about you, and can reduce the risk of medical errors occurring when caring for you in an emergency or out-of-hours, when your GP practice is closed. Only healthcare staff involved in supporting or providing your care can see your SCR. Healthcare staff will ask your permission every time they need to look at your SCR. If they cannot ask you, for example if you are unconscious, they may look at your SCR, but if they do this, they will make a note on your record to say why they have done so.

You can choose whether or not to have an SCR. If you choose to have a SCR, you do not need to do anything, this will happen automatically. If you choose **not to** have an SCR, please complete the following to record your decision:

Patient name:	Address:
Date of Birth:	
I refuse consent for upload to the Summary Care Record (Code 9Ndo)	
Patient signature:	Date:
Parent / guardian name and signature: **(If patient is under 16 years and/ or is not able to understand the request)**	

Stockport Health & Care Record (SHCR)

The Stockport Health & Care Record (SHCR) brings together information from health and care services in Stockport. The main benefit of having a SHCR is that it will ensure that the health and care professionals helping you in Stockport will have access to all the information they need quickly so that they can make better, more informed decisions for you.

You can be reassured that the record is kept on a secure database and never sent to organisations not involved in your care. Access to the record is restricted to professionals working within Stockport who are directly involved in your care, and is only accessed with your consent.

If an emergency situation arises timely access to your health records and medical history will ensure the professional treating you will have a complete picture of your care in order to make the best decisions about your diagnosis, treatment and care plan. Your SHCR includes information like test results, medications, allergies and social care or mental health information relevant to you.

You can choose whether or not to have an SHCR. If you choose to have this, you do not need to do anything, this will happen automatically. If you choose **not to** have an SHCR , please complete the following to record your decision:

Patient name:	Address:
Date of Birth:	
I refuse consent for upload to the Stockport Health and Care Record (Code 93C1)	
Patient signature:	Date:
Parent / guardian name and signature: **(If patient is under 16 years and/ or is not able to understand the request)**	