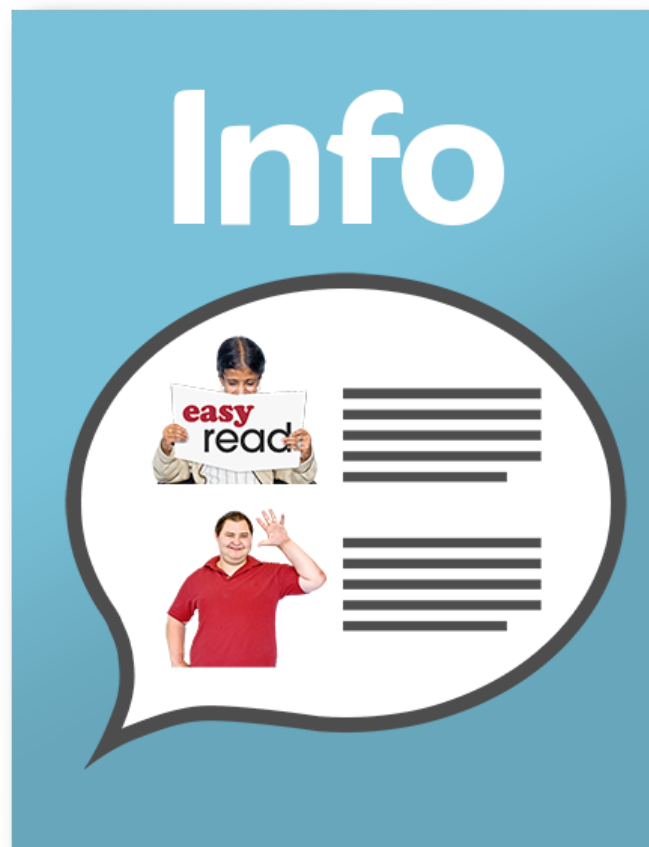




Sharing Information to make care better



This easy read guide tells you about the Rotherham Health Record and how health services will share information to make care better.

Sharing your Health Information



In Rotherham we are making some changes to the way we share information about your health. We are setting up a new system called the Rotherham Health Record.



We want health services to work together.



We want all of the different services to work with you as a team, to keep you well.



We want to make sure that you are looked after in the best way possible.



The only way to be able to do this is if all of the health professionals share information about you.



This means sharing your health and care records with all the professionals who are looking after your health and care.

About the Rotherham Health Record



Health professionals in Rotherham will be able to see a summary of your Rotherham health record. Like the information held by your doctor.



This will help health professionals make the right decisions with you about your health care.

What are the benefits of having a health record?



- You will not have to repeat your health and social care information.



- Care professionals should be able to find information when they need it.



- You should be able to avoid unnecessary appointments and tests.



- You'll be more involved in decisions about your care.



What information is shared on the Rotherham Health Record?

Your Rotherham health record will include information such as:

- Basic personal details including name, address, date of birth, next of kin.
- List of diagnoses – to help health and care staff to make better decisions about your care.
- Details of any medications you are taking.
- Details of any allergies.
- Test results – to avoid having to repeat tests and speed up your treatment.
- Letters, referrals and discharge information.

Who will be able to see my information?



Only doctors, nurses, social workers and other health and social care professionals, who work with you in Rotherham, will be able to see your records.



We will not share your information with anyone else who is not involved in your care, treatment or support.

Is my information safe?



Your information will not be shared with anyone apart from health and care professionals involved in your care. It will be held according to strict rules about security in the UK.



Your Choice?

You have the choice about whether to share your care record and who can see it.

If you do not want your information to be shared through the Rotherham Health Record you can say no.

If you would like to opt out please use one of the following options:

Email:



rotherhamhealthrecord@nhs.net



Call: 01709 427299



Write to: Rotherham Health
Record Consent Subject access
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