

ROTHWELL & DESBOROUGH HEALTHCARE GROUP

PUBLIC HEALTH PRIVACY NOTICE

Public health encompasses everything from national smoking and alcohol policies, the management of epidemics such as flu, the control of large scale infections such as Tuberculosis (TB) and Hepatitis B to local outbreaks of food poisoning or Measles.

Certain illnesses are notifiable. The doctors treating the patient are required by law to inform the Public Health Authorities of a condition, for example Scarlet Fever. This will mean the subjects personal and health information will be shared with Public Health organisations.

Some of the relevant legislation includes:

- the Health Protection (Notification) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/659)
- the Health Protection (Local Authority Powers) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/657)
- the Health Protection (Part 2A Orders) Regulations 2010 (SI 2010/658)
- Public Health (Control of Disease) Act 1984
- Public Health (Infectious Diseases) Regulations 1988
- The Health Service (Control of Patient Information) Regulations 2002

1) Data Controller contact details	The Partners Desborough Surgery 35 High Street Desborough Kettering Northamptonshire NN14 2NB
2) Data Protection Officer contact details	Dr Anand Pattar Desborough Surgery 35 High Street Desborough Kettering Northamptonshire NN14 2NB
3) Purpose of the processing	There are occasions when medical data needs to be shared with Public Health England, the Local Authority Director of Public Health, or the Health Protection Agency, either under a legal obligation or for reasons of public interest or their equivalents in the devolved nations.
4) Lawful basis for processing	The lawful basis is supported under the following Article 6 and 9 conditions of the GDPR Article 6(1)(c) “processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which the controller is subject.” Article 9(2)(i) “processing is necessary for reasons of public interest in the area of public health, such as protecting against serious cross-border threats to health or ensuring high standards of quality and safety of health care and of medicinal products or medical devices,..”

5) Recipient or categories of recipients of the processed data	The data will be shared with Public Health England https://www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england and equivalents in the devolved nations.
6) Rights to object	You have the right to object to this processing of your data and to some or all of the information being shared with the recipients. Please contact the Data Controller. For national screening programmes: you can opt to no longer receive an invitation to a screening programme. See: https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/opting-out-of-the-nhs-population-screening-programmes
7) Right to access and correct	You have the right to access the data that is being shared and have any inaccuracies corrected. There is no right to have accurate medical records deleted except when ordered by a court of Law.
8) Retention period	The data will be retained for active use during the period of the public interest and according to legal requirements and Public Health England's criteria on storing identifiable data: www.gov.uk/government/organisations/public-health-england/about/personal-information-charter .
9) Right to Complain.	You have the right to complain to the Information Commissioners Office (responsible for governing Data Protection compliance) – Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF Tel 01625 545745 or www.ico.org.uk/