Health and Social Care (HSC) organisations respect the security and privacy concerns of users of this and all its websites. The Public Health Agency (PHA) is notified under the <u>UK General Data Protection Regulation (UK GDPR) and the Data</u> <u>Protection Act 2018</u> and we confirm that we will comply with the UK GDPR and the Data Protection Act in all our dealings with your personal data.

The purpose of this privacy policy is to inform you of the basis on which any personal data we collect from you, or that you provide to us, will be processed by us. By using the website you agree to and accept the terms of this privacy policy.

Before you submit any information via our Website, we will notify you as to why we are asking for specific information and it is up to you whether to provide it.

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Where your data is stored

We store your data on secure servers in the UK.

Keeping your data secure

Sending information over the internet is generally not completely secure and we can't guarantee the security of your data while it's in transit. Any data you send is at your own risk.

Disclosing your information

We do not share data with other organisations unless the law permits or requires us to do so. We will share personal information only with our authorised data processors who must at all times act on PHA's instructions as the Data Controller under the <u>GDPR and the Data Protection Act</u>. We won't share your information with any other organisations for marketing, market research or commercial purposes, and we won't pass on your details to other websites.

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Queries

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