

Summary Care Records

Your emergency care summary

On **Wednesday 11th June 2014** Ludham & Stalham Green Surgeries will be uploading the Summary Care Record for all patients who have not actively withdrawn consent.

Your Summary Care Record will be available to authorised healthcare staff providing your care anywhere in England, but they will ask your permission before they look at it. This means that if you have an accident or become ill, the doctors treating you will have immediate access to important information about your health.

The **only** information that will be uploaded (and therefore available to other NHS organisations) about patients is:

- Allergies and adverse drug reactions.
- Acute medication issued in the last 12 months.
- All current repeat medication.
- Past repeat medication ended in the last six months.

Not your entire medical record / consultations notes etc.

What does it mean if I DO NOT have a Summary Care Record?

NHS healthcare staff caring for you may not be aware of your current medications, allergies you suffer from and any bad reactions to medicines you have had, in order to treat you safely in an emergency. Your records will stay as they are now, with information being shared by letter, email, fax or phone.

If you have any questions, or if you want to discuss your choices, please speak to Reception or contact your local Patient Advice Liaison Service **0800 587 4132**.