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Dorset Care Record brings all your health details together so medical and social care staff can give you the best possible care

Dorset Care Record Sensitive Records



For more information please visit:

www.dorsetforyou.gov.uk/dorset-care-record

Restricted Records

Restricted records are not the same as an opted out records.

Restricted records are used to protect the location of vulnerable patients in high risk categories, such as, witness protection.

NHS Digital has a legal responsibility to maintain a national register of NHS patients and this responsibility is fulfilled by using the Personal Demographic Service (PDS) which is the authoritative source of NHS demographic data.

However, there are cases where access to a patient's data has to be **strictly controlled.** Access to demographic data can be restricted on request by, or on behalf of, any NHS patient who consider their location detail should not be accessible.

Please click <u>here</u> for more detailed information about restricted records.

Personal Demographics Service Fair Processing

The Personal Demographics Service (PDS) is the national electronic database of NHS patient details such as name, address, date of birth and NHS Number (known as demographic information).

Patients registered for NHS services are required to have a record on the PDS, and therefore cannot 'opt out' of the PDS. However, they can request that their record is marked 'Sensitive' which limits the detail that can be seen by anyone viewing their PDS record to name, NHS Number and DOB, with no contact or location details visible.

This is normally done by the patient requesting that their GP contacts NBO (National Back Office) to apply the 'Sensitive' flag. For this reason a restricted record may also be known as a sensitive record.

For further information please visit NHS The Personal Demographics Service webpage

Sensitive Records – Search results

When you search for a record within DCR, if the search results show a padlock next to a record, this indicates that the record has been flagged as **sensitive** on the national demographic index.

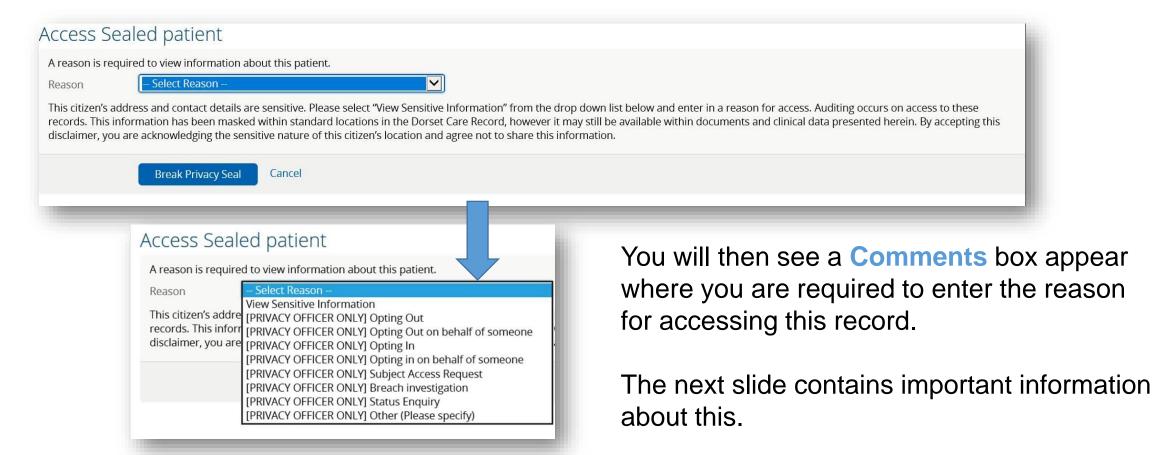


Within the search result, you would also see that the address has been concealed with a series of "x"s.



Viewing a sensitive record in DCR

Before opening a sensitive record, you will be prompted to select a reason from the drop-down list. You should always choose "View Sensitive Information".



Providing a Reason for Breaking a Seal

You will be asked to provide a reason (purpose) why you need to access a sealed record, in the **Comments** box. **You must give a reason**. This is to protect both yourself and the person you are providing support to, in the event of any future enquiry. You may wish to also record this action within your own system.

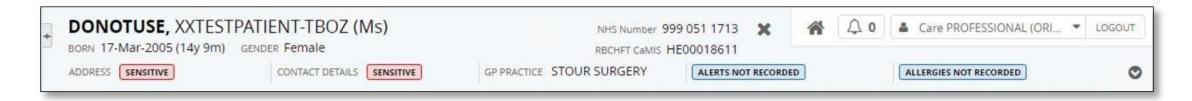
If you know you have not input a reason, for example the Comments box didn't appear, it is important that you contact the DCR Privacy Officer as soon as you can, either by phone or by email (details at the end of this module).

After entering a reason and reading the Sensitive Record statement, click on the **Break Privacy Seal** button to view the record. **By clicking this, you acknowledge that you understand the statement given.**

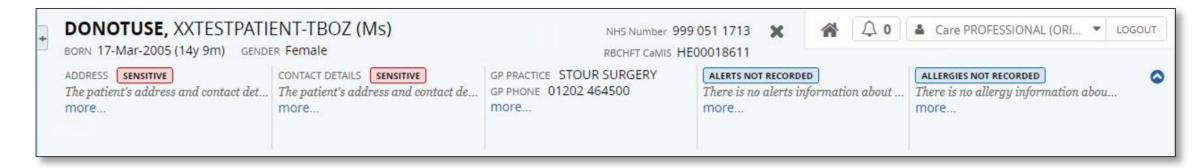
The action of breaking the seal will be tracked in the audit record, along with the reason you gave for needing to access the record.

Person Banner

After accessing a sensitive record, the person banner will display a red sensitive badge, and no other details deemed sensitive, such as **Address** and **Contact Details**

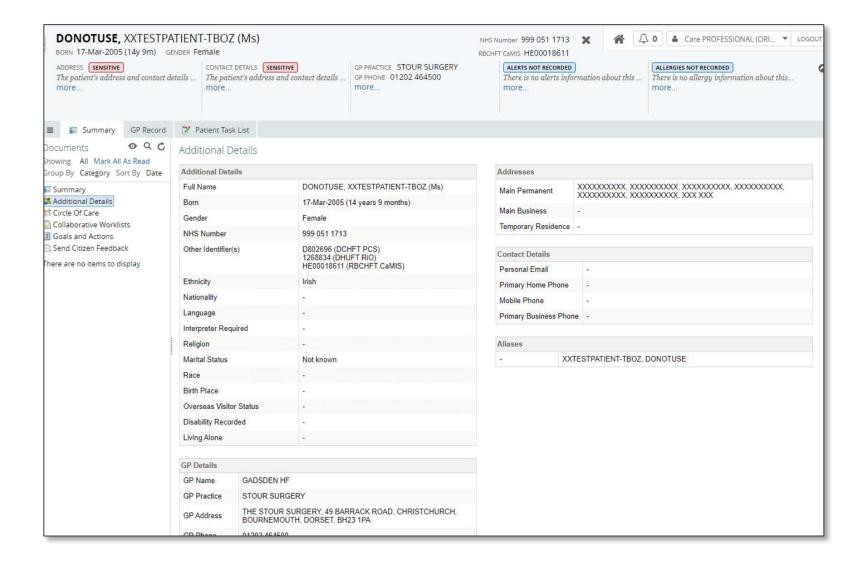


In addition, the expanded view of the patient banner will not display any of the sensitive information either, and as above, will only display the red sensitive badges.



Additional Details

Any Alternative addresses or contact details will be omitted from the Additional Details view for a Sensitive record.



Support and Information Links



For further information, please use the details below:

Privacy Officer

- Privacy Officer, Dorset Care Record Partnership, County Hall, Colliton Park, Dorchester, Dorset. DT1 1XJ
- DCRPrivacyOfficer@dorsetcc.gov.uk
- **2** 0345 200 0026

DCR Staff Area

 Information regarding any known issues, planned outages or updates to the system will be publicised on the <u>DCR</u> <u>Staff Area</u>

Service Desks / IT Support

- Each organisation will provide support for their staff using the DCR system.
- Contact details for all of these will be available on the DCR Staff Area website, which can be accessed below, or from the LINKS area on the main DCR menu

Additional Information and support available via the Staff Area of the DCR website, which can be accessed from **LINKS** on the main DCR menu, as shown below:

- **▶ RECORDS**
- **▶ WORKLISTS**
- **▼ LINKS**

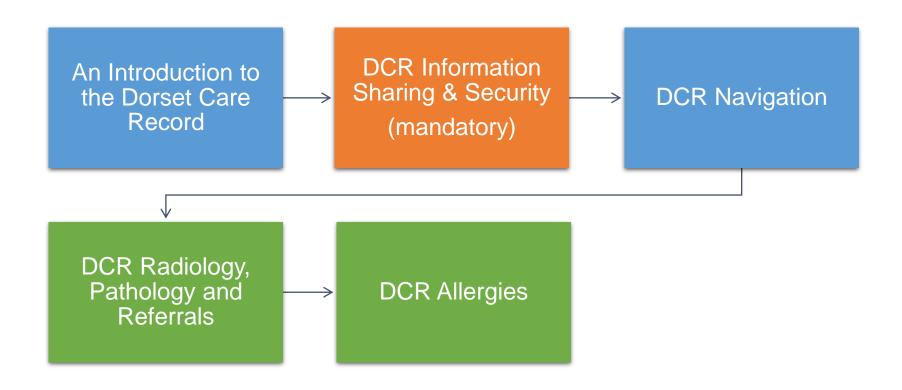
DCR Website

DCR Staff Area

Privacy Notice

Further Learning

To view other training available for the Dorset Care Record, if you haven't already, please view the additional DCR learning modules, to support your understanding of DCR:





Disclaimer

The screenshots in this training guide are taken from a test system and as such may vary slightly to the live DCR system.

Screenshots in this training guide do not contain any real patient data.

Data provided by source systems is read-only in DCR; e.g. the patient's address from a source system will be shown in DCR but if this needs to be updated, this must be done in the source system.

End of module

You can now exit by clicking "Exit" in the top right corner