

INFORMATION GOVERNANCE (IG) UPDATE

IG TEAM

The IG team is here to help and support Primary Care organisations by offering advice, issuing guidance and supplying exemplar policies and other documentation. We are a team of 12 with a wide range of expertise from Caldicott to Cyber Security. If you have any queries then please contact our helpdesk:

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NEW LEGISLATION – General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

This new legislation was passed by Europe in May this year and we now have 2 years to implement it. It will replace our existing Data Protection Act. Questions have been asked about whether we need to implement it now that we are leaving the EU, however the general legal consensus is that we should still press ahead. The implementation date is likely to be before we actually leave the EU and even after our exit we will require Data Protection law that is equivalent to the GDPR. The link below gives you the basics of what you will need to do to ensure compliance.

<https://ico.org.uk/media/for-organisations/documents/1624219/preparing-for-the-gdpr-12-steps.pdf>

NATIONAL DATA GUARDIAN FOR HEALTH AND CARE – Review of Data Security, consent and opt-outs

Dame Fiona Caldicott, working alongside CQC, has carried out an intensive review to recommend new data security standards, a method for testing compliance against these standards and a new consent or opt-out model for data sharing in relation to patient confidential data.

https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/535024/data-security-review.PDF

