



Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership

Memorandum of Understanding (Tier Zero)



Health and Social Care

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The organisations signing this Memorandum of Understanding (Tier Zero) recognise a collective responsibility to minimise the burden of data collection and to ensure that data collected is done so lawfully, and is used effectively, to support the overall aims of all partner organisations within the Cheshire and Merseyside Health and Care Partnership. This Memorandum of Understanding is part of a framework designed to support information sharing initiatives within Cheshire and Merseyside where the primary aim is to support the provision of Direct Care.

Nationally, organisations involved in the commissioning and provision of health and social care services are identifying substantial requirements to share and use Personal Confidential Data (PCD) in order to:

- Deliver safe and effective direct care to service users supported by information held by other organisations
- Plan and organise appropriate care/services for people
- Deliver planned improvements in care delivery and financial efficiency
- Protect vulnerable people from harm

The increasing need for organisations to appropriately share information is emphasised in:

1. The addition of a seventh Caldicott Principle in 2013; “The duty to share information can be as important as the duty to protect patient confidentiality“
2. The introduction of the Health and Social Care (Safety and Quality) Act 2015; which sets out a legal duty requiring health and adult social care bodies to share information with each other for the direct care of individuals.

We are committed to the following principles:



- Data will only be shared and processed where there is a legal basis to do so.
- Data should be collected once, shared appropriately and used in a way which is compatible with the legal basis.
- Collection and sharing of data should be fully supported by a Data Protection Impact Assessment (DPIA).
- To ensure the security of data when stored and during transmission.
- All staff with access to shared data will undertake Data Protection training at least once per year, and that the training will also ensure that staff groups are aware of their personal responsibilities in relation to the use of personal data.
- The organisation will have in place appropriate policies and procedures that ensure data is only used, processed and stored in a way which is compliant with the GDPR Data Protection Principles.

I, **[Insert Name here]**, agree that as the **[Insert Job Title / Role here]** for **[Insert Name of Organisation here]** we are committed to the key principles of this strategic Memorandum of Understanding (Tier Zero).

Signature:	
Date:	
Your name:	
Your Job Title / Role:	
Name of Organisation:	

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The intended partnership of this Memorandum of Understanding (Tier Zero) is as indicated below but does not exclude other participants which may be identified and included at a later date e.g. Hospices. A final list will be produced and circulated on final completion.

The Clinical Commissioning Groups listed below commit to work with member practices through appropriate local arrangements to gain sign up to this MOU.

Partner Organisation	Nominated Officer	Date Signed
Alder Hey Children's NHS Foundation Trust		
Blackburn with Darwen Unitary Council		
Blackpool Council		
Blackpool Fylde & Wyre Hospital		
Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Trust		
Cheshire and Wirral Partnership NHS Foundation Trust		
Cheshire Care Record		
Cheshire East Council		
Cheshire West and Chester Council		
Countess of Chester Hospital NHS Foundation Trust		
East Cheshire NHS Trust		
East Lancs Hospital Trust (Blackburn and Burney Hospitals)		
Halton Borough Council		
Knowsley Borough Council		
Lancashire Care Foundation Trust (Mental Health)		
Lancashire County Council		
Liverpool City Council		
Liverpool Heart and Chest NHS Foundation Trust		
Liverpool University Hospitals NHS Trust (Aintree Royal & LCL)		
Liverpool Women's NHS Foundation Trust		
Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust (Royal Manchester Children's Hospital)		

Partner Organisation	Nominated Officer	Date Signed
Mersey Care NHS Foundation Trust		
NHS Blackburn and Darwen CCG		
NHS Blackpool CCG		
NHS Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group		
NHS Chorley and South Ribble CCG		
NHS East Lancashire Clinical Commissioning Group		
NHS Fylde & Wyre CCG		
NHS Greater Preston CCG		
NHS Halton Clinical Commissioning Group		
NHS Knowsley CCG		
NHS Liverpool CCG		
NHS South Sefton CCG		
NHS Southport and Formby CCG		
NHS St Helens CCG		
NHS The Bay CCG (formerly Morecambe Bay)		
NHS Wirral CCG		
North West Boroughs Healthcare NHS Foundation Trust		
North West Ambulance Service		
Primary Care 24 (Merseyside) Limited		
Sefton Council		
Southport & Ormskirk Hospital		
St Helen's Care Record		
St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust		
St Helens Council		
The Clatterbridge Cancer Centre NHS Foundation Trust		
The Mid Cheshire Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust		
The Walton Centre NHS Foundation Trust		
University Hospitals Morecambe Bay		
Warrington and Halton Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust		

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Warrington Borough Council		
Warrington CCG		
Wirral Care Record		
Wirral Community NHS Foundation Trust		
Wirral Metropolitan Borough Council		
Wirral University Teaching Hospital NHS Foundation Trust		
Yorkshire And Humber Partners Academic Health Science Network Limited		