

NSW Health services and confidentiality



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NSW Health wrote this information for young people from 12 to 24 years old.



NSW Health is the part of the government that looks after the health of people in NSW.



We wrote this information for young people that use health services from NSW Health.



It could be health services like

- Your doctor
- A hospital.

Keeping your information private



NSW Health services have rules about **confidentiality**.



Confidentiality means we keep your information private and do not share it with others.



Anyone working for NSW Health must keep your information private.



We can only use your information for your health care.

Sharing your information



There are times when we need to share your information with others.



We might have to share

- Information about your health
- Personal information like where you live

• Medicare information.



We might share your information with other services or organisations.



We will only share your information if it helps keep you and others safe.



We will try to ask you before we share your information.

When we can share your information



There are times in an emergency we might have to share your information

- Without asking you
- If you do not say yes to us sharing it.



This might be if we are concerned

- You might hurt yourself or someone else
- Someone might hurt you
- You are not safe.



We might need to share your information if you have a very bad illness and need support.



We might need to share your information if you have an illness that others can get from you.



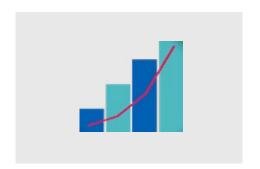
We might have to share your information because we need to follow the **law**.



Laws are rules that everyone must follow.



This means we might have to share your information with the police or a court.



We might need to share your information to do research that will help everyone.



Research means when people look into something to find out more about it.

More information in easy read



For more information about your rights with health care go to

www.bit.ly/CID-good-health



For more information about how we use your health information go to

www.bit.ly/my-health-record-pwid



For a tool to help you with health staff

www.cid.org.au/resource/ my-health-matters-folder

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