

# YOUR HEALTH RECORDS AND NPS MEDICINEWISE CLINICAL E-AUDITS

## Patient information leaflet

Doctors in this practice occasionally take part in a quality assurance activity known as a clinical audit.

Quality assurance activities are a type of professional development which are undertaken regularly by general practitioners to help improve the care provided to patients. Clinical audits involve a number of doctors collecting anonymous patient information to help with the care they provide.

NPS MedicineWise clinical e-Audits involve the doctor recording information on the treatment prescribed or recommended to patients with a particular illness. Some anonymous information from your health record may be used. **None of the information that is recorded will identify you.** Only your doctor can collect this anonymous information.

The anonymous information your doctor collects is sent to NPS MedicineWise, which is a not-for-profit organisation working to promote the quality

use of medicines and medical tests which will lead to better health for Australians. NPS MedicineWise collates the information and provides a report to participating doctors on the treatment of patients.

This practice and NPS MedicineWise ensure that the collection, storage and use of all health information for this clinical audit complies with the Australian Privacy Principles contained in the Privacy Act 1988 (Cwth). We are confident that the privacy of patients, doctors and practices is protected.

If you would like further information about how your health information may be used in NPS MedicineWise clinical e-Audits, please talk to your doctor. If you would like more information about NPS MedicineWise please visit the website at: [www.nps.org.au](http://www.nps.org.au)

If you have any complaint or further questions you can write to or telephone your doctor.

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