Royal College of Physicians

National Respiratory Audit Programme (NRAP)

Primary care audit

Information for patients

This leaflet gives you information about the National Respiratory Audit Programme (NRAP) primary care audit, for patients with asthma or chronic obstructive pulmonary disease (COPD). The audit aims to improve the care provided to people with these conditions.

What is the National Respiratory Audit Programme (NRAP) primary care audit?

The NRAP primary care audit looks at how people with asthma and COPD receive care from their GP surgery. It compares this care with national guidelines for these conditions.

What information is collected?

Information about your asthma or COPD diagnosis and treatment will be collected. This information is taken from electronic patient records at GP surgeries in Wales. Your identity remains private at all times.

How and when is the information collected?

Information is collected from patient records starting in autumn 2023. Data collection will continue at 3-monthly intervals until at least 31 May 2026.

Permission and data safety

Your information will be used in a way that ensures that you cannot be identified. Your permission is not needed for this audit. Organisations handling your data must follow laws to keep your information safe.

How is the information used?

GP surgeries will receive reports to improve your care. Reports also help identify areas requiring improvement across Wales. The data may be used for research; your identity is always protected.

Saying 'no thank you'

In the past, patients could say 'no' or 'opt out' of allowing their data to be used for audit. As only anonymous data is used, this is now not applicable.

Who is running the audit?

The audit is funded by Healthcare Quality Improvement Partnership and run by the Royal College of Physicians (RCP).

Contact

If you have any questions, ask your GP surgery or contact the NRAP team by email at NRAPinbox@rcp.ac.uk or phone at 020 3075 1526.

You can also find out more on the NRAP website at: www.rcp.ac.uk/projects/primary-care-workstream

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