Your health records: Changes explained

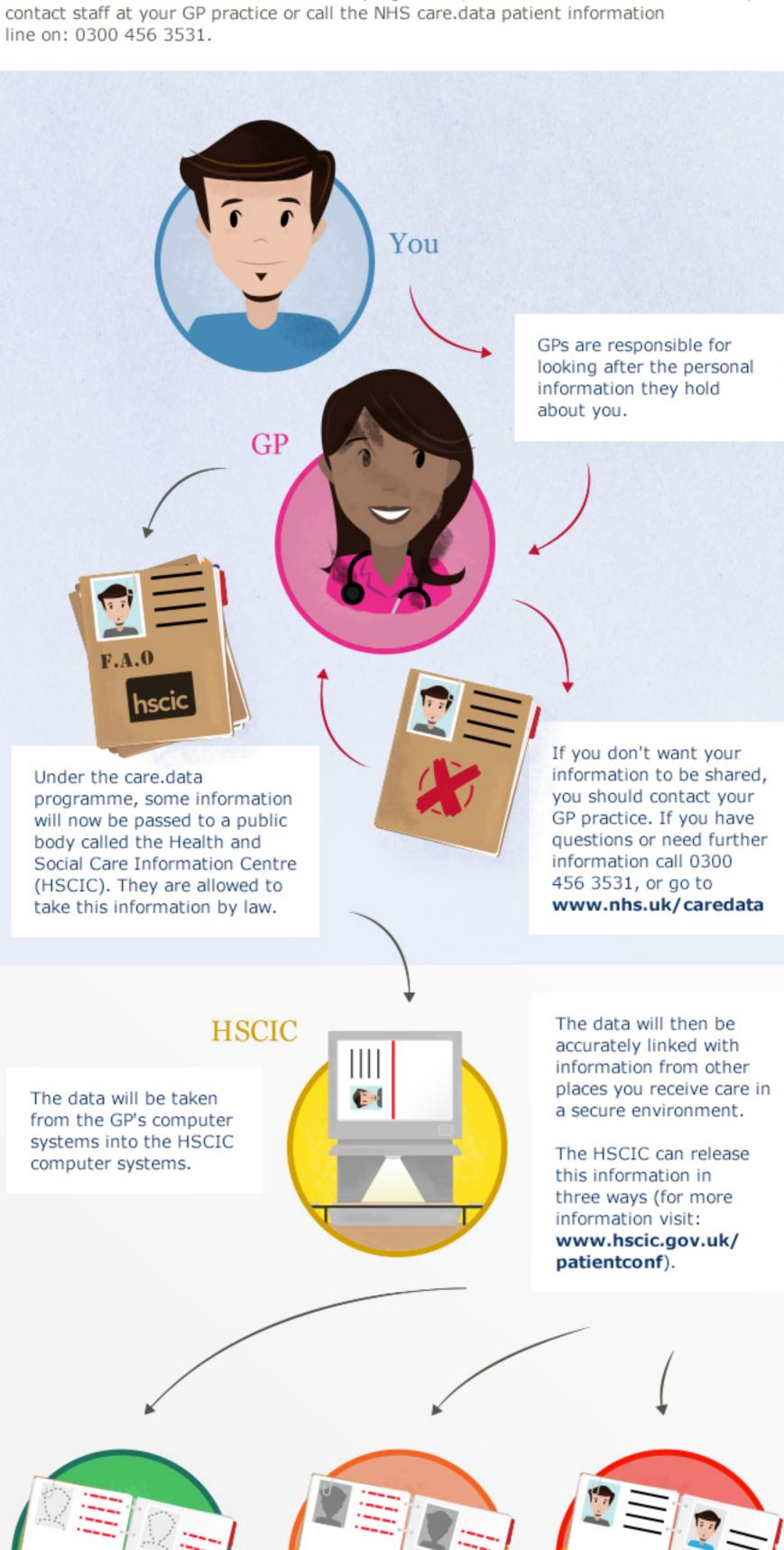


The NHS is currently rolling out a change to the way it uses patient health records in England. The new system (called the care.data programme) will allow those involved in providing health and care services to more easily assess how well they are doing, and where improvements need to be made.

Leaflets explaining the project in more detail will be delivered to households beginning in January, and data gathering, initially from GP surgeries, will begin in spring 2014.

If you are happy for your information to be used in this way you do not need to do anything. If you have any questions or are not happy for information about you to be shared, contact your GP practice.

For more information about the care.data programme, visit the **NHS Choices website**, contact staff at your GP practice or call the NHS care.data patient information line on: 0300 456 3531.



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