This practice is one of over **260 practices** in England **contributing pseudonymised data for national research and surveillance.**

These data enable continuous monitoring of infections and diseases in the commu- nity and is used in ethically approved research. The RCGP RSC is the main source of information for **Public Health England (PHE)** and helps with **prediction and management of flu outbreaks and pandemics.**

**Providing pseudonymised data does not affect patients, their care or privacy**, however if you no longer wish to allow your information to be used, please speak to your GP.

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