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Consent form: Primary Care records

We have asked about your health and economic circumstances. To make this information complete we would like to find out more about your health and treatment from NHS primary health care records (about doctor and nurse consultations).

You have already given permission for linkage with data about your health and treatment in hospital.

We need your written permission for any information from primary care records to be released. Like everything else you have told us, the information will be completely confidential and will be used for **research purposes only**. It will be used by academic or policy researchers under restricted access arrangements which make sure that the information is used responsibly and safely. Names and addresses are never included in the results. In order to examine long term trends in people's health, we have not set a limit on how long we will keep your information. ELSA has been running since 2002 and is very valuable for looking at how people's health changes over time. You do not have to give your consent for us to collect this data if you don't want to. Please ask the interviewer about anything that concerns you or you can call the ELSA team on 0800 652 4574. You can cancel this permission by writing to NatCen Social Research, Kings House, 101-135 Kings Road, Brentwood, Essex CM14 4LX.

I have read or heard this information and have had the opportunity to ask questions. I understand that all the information about me will be treated in strict confidence and used solely for the purpose of research. **Please initial the box to indicate that you give permission.**

PRIMARY HEALTH CARE DATA

I consent to NatCen Social Research passing my name, address and data of birth to the Health and Social Care Information Centre. I authorise The Health and Social Care Information Centre to provide NatCen Social Research with information about my health and treatment held in primary care data which will be available in the future. I understand that the information the ELSA research team obtains will be limited to the purposes of this study and will cover dates of doctor and nurse consultations, diagnoses received, treatments given and referrals made.

The full information from the Primary Care database will only be available to the ELSA research team. Other researchers must gain approval for analysing this database and will only be given a link to a sub-set of information which would not include personal identifying details such as names or addresses. This consent will remain valid until revoked by me in writing.

Please initial box

If you give permission for us to collect this information please sign below.

Respondent signature

Respondent name

Date

Interviewer signature

Interviewer name

Date



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