

SHARING MEDICAL INFORMATION

WHY DO CARE PROVIDERS KEEP INFORMATION ABOUT ME?

Your dentist, physiotherapist, GP, pharmacist, specialist ... keep your medical information in a file on their computer. This allows them to know you better, meaning they can help you more effectively.

WHY DO THEY SHARE MY INFORMATION WITH EACH OTHER?

Your care providers can provide you with better assistance by working together. They share important information about your health with each other. This means you receive better - and sometimes cheaper - care.

Your medical information is in a safe location on the internet. This is called the electronic patient record.

WHAT INFORMATION DO THEY SHARE?

They share information that is important for your care. A care provider can never view all the information held by all other care providers. Only what is relevant to them. For example, prescriptions from the GP to the pharmacist. The GP can also inform the specialist in the hospital about what medication you already take.

WHY DO THEY WANT MY ID CARD?

A care provider scans your ID card. S/he sees a list of names of your other care providers. They can then share important medical information, such as prescriptions for medication or treatment with the physiotherapist.

Take your ID card if you have an appointment with the doctor, pharmacist, dentist, insurance fund, social worker

... By allowing your ID card to be scanned, you consent to care providers working together and sharing important medical information. This is called a 'treatment relationship'.

A treatment relationship begins when a care provider scans your ID card. A treatment relationship terminates if you tell the care provider that s/he is no longer permitted to view your record. You can also terminate it yourself via www.mijngezondheid.belgie.be. If you are not in contact with the care provider for 15 months, the relationship will be automatically terminated.

Care providers can only view information about other care providers via your ID card. They cannot view any other information, for example from the migration services or the police.

WHERE CAN I FIND MY FILE?

www.mijngezondheid.belgie.be or myhealthviewer.be

DO I THEN PAY LESS?

The regular GP already keeps your medical information on his/her computer. You can ask your GP to create a Global Medical Record (Globaal Medisch Dossier, GMD). You can only request this from your regular GP. It means that you pay a 33.3% smaller patient contribution for consultations with this doctor.

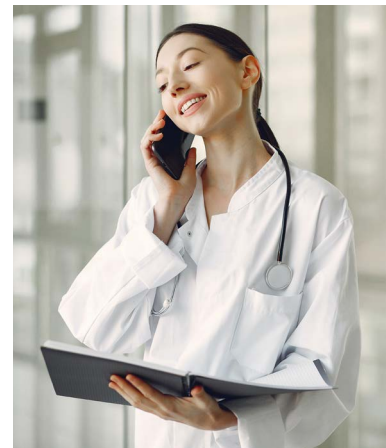
Are you changing GPs? You can ask your previous doctor to forward your Global Medical Record.

I WANT MORE INFORMATION

Make an appointment with the insurance fund or your GP.

HOW DO MY CARE PROVIDERS WORK TOGETHER? GLOBAL MEDICAL RECORD (GMD)

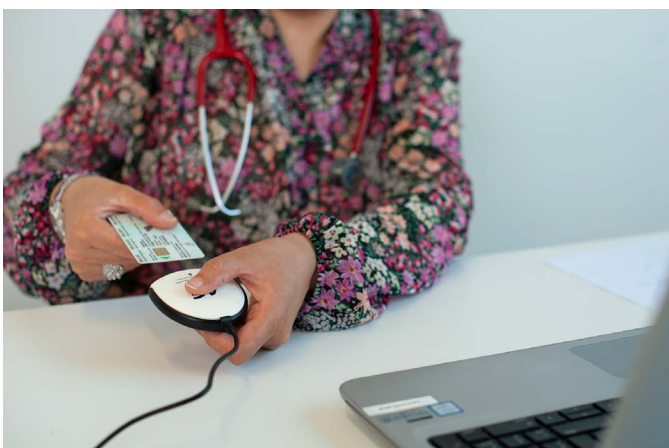
My GP, dentist, specialist, pharmacist ... can provide me with better care if they work together.



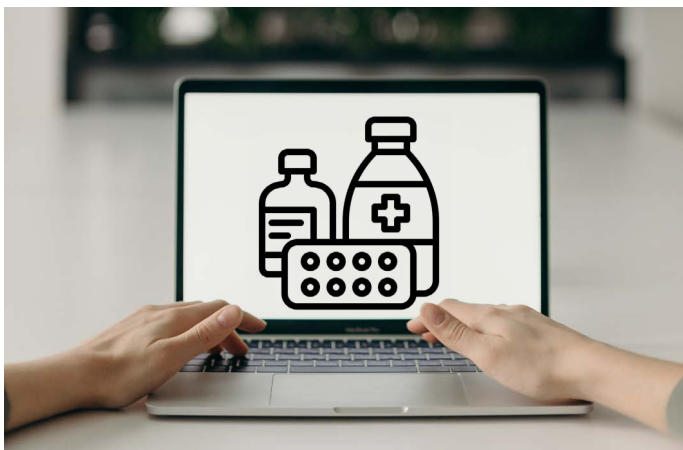
If I give my consent, care providers can:

- **see everyone who provides me with a care service.**
- **view important information about my health.**

I give my consent: to do so, I give my ID card to the care provider, who then scans the card and can view the information.



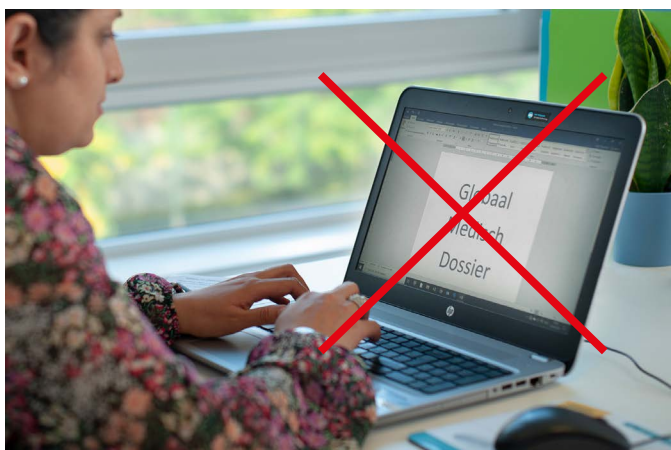
Care providers only see the information that is relevant to them.




I am permitted to view my file, either in full or parts thereof.

I can request this from my GP and s/he will allow me to view it within 2 weeks.

I can also say at any time that a care provider is no longer permitted to view my file.




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