

National Fraud Initiative (NFI) – Privacy Notice

University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust (UHP) is required by law to protect the public funds it administers. It may share information provided to it with other bodies responsible for auditing or administering public funds, in order to prevent and detect fraud.

UHP is a mandatory participant of the [Cabinet Office's National Fraud Initiative](#) (NFI) which is a data matching exercise undertaken by the Cabinet Office to assist in the prevention and detection of fraud. We are required to provide particular sets of data to the Cabinet Office for each exercise.

Data matching involves comparing sets of data, such as payroll of a body against other records held by the same or another body to see how far they match. This is usually personal information and Trust creditors' data. The data matching allows potentially fraudulent claims and payments to be identified. Where a match is found it may indicate that there is an inconsistency which requires further investigation. No assumption can be made as to whether there is fraud, error or other explanation until an investigation is carried out.

The use of data by the Cabinet Office in a data matching exercise is carried out with statutory authority under Part 6 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Data matching by the Cabinet Office is subject to a [Code of Practice](#). Should you wish to know more information on this [Fair Processing Notice please see the more detailed full text](#). View further information on the [Cabinet Office's legal powers](#) and the reasons why it matches particular information.

For further information on data matching at University Hospitals Plymouth NHS Trust contact Tracy Wheeler, Local Counter Fraud Specialist on 01752 431378 or tracy.wheeler2@nhs.net.