

Stockport Women's Centre

Effective Women's Centre Partnership Privacy Notice Summary

Introduction

This is a summary of how Stockport Women's Centre uses your personal information including when you provide responses to the Women's Risk Needs Assessment ("WRNA") and/or the Gendered Wellbeing Assessment ("GWA"). It also covers use of this information by the University of Birmingham ("UoB") and the JABBS Foundation ("JABBS"). All three organisations are working together in relation to the WRNA and GWA. We are all committed to keeping your personal information secure and complying with privacy law.

For more detailed information, please see our [Privacy Notice](#)

Our handling of your personal information

We will collect relevant personal information about you, including your name, contact details, case notes, national insurance and NHS numbers, details of your GP and emergency contact(s), and other information that will be collected as part of the WRNA and/or the GWA. Some of this information will be more sensitive (including information about your health, race, religion, sex life, sexual orientation and criminal convictions).

We will only collect and use this information when we need to, and if we can mask or remove your identity from the information, we will do so.

We will generally collect information from you directly, but we might sometimes obtain it from other organisations (for example when those organisations refer you to us, or when we ask government departments about you to get a sense of the impact of our work over a period of time).

We might use your information to:

- Provide you with support and manage your case
- Carry out research on the impact of our work
- Facilitate the Women's Centre's work (including through technical support to make sure the Women's Centre's systems work properly and that the data it holds is accurate)
- Anonymise your data so that we can understand statistical trends about women affected by the criminal justice system and further our aims
- Learn from your experiences and develop our work
- Keep our database(s) accurate, relevant and up to date)
- Only in very limited circumstances, prevent or detect crime
- Ensure that we comply with our legal obligations.

We will only use your personal information where the law allows us to (i.e. where we have a lawful basis). Mainly the lawful basis that permits us to process your information is where our processing is in our legitimate interests (including to enable us to provide our services to you and to further our aims). In the case of UoB, they may also have a lawful basis to process data in the public interest.

Where we process more 'sensitive' personal information, we rely on further, specific 'conditions' that permit us to process your information. For example, where the processing is necessary for us to

provide you with health/social care or confidential counselling, for safeguarding purposes, scientific research or statistical purposes or the prevention or detection of crime.

Retaining your personal information

We will not keep your personal information for longer than is needed for the purpose for which we collect it. For example, a key part of our research involves understanding the impact of our work on women over a long period of time (often many years), and so we may need to retain your personal information for at least that period (masking or removing your identity from the information wherever we can).

Sharing your personal information

In some cases, we may share your personal information with third parties, including government bodies to carry out research, service providers, advisors and, where needed, to comply with our legal obligations or to establish our rights.

Protecting your personal information

To protect your privacy, we will make sure your personal information is kept secure and is shared only with relevant organisations or staff members who need to access it to perform their roles.

Your rights

You have rights under data protection law (depending on the circumstances), including rights to: (a) ask for access to your personal information, (b) ask us to correct or delete your personal information, (c) ask to restrict, or object to, our processing of, your personal information and/or (d) ask us to transfer your personal information to another person or organisation.

We will make clear to you when we want to rely on your consent under the data protection regime (as opposed to research ethics/governance processes). Where we do so, you can withdraw that consent at any time.

If you aren't happy with how we process your personal information you also have the right to make a complaint to the Information Commissioner's Office.

Contact Us

If you have any questions, or if you want to exercise any of your rights, you can contact us using the details set out in the [Privacy Notice](#).