What is **My Health Record**?

It is **protected** – by legislation with strong privacy and security mechanisms

It is **accessible at all times** – including at point of care

It is **personally controlled** – the individual can choose what gets uploaded, what stays in their record, and who can see their record

It is part of a **national system** – an individual's My Health Record is available wherever they are and no matter which registered healthcare provider they are seeing

It is a online summary of an individual's **key health information**, securely in one place.
It is available to the individual and their healthcare providers when and where they need it, including in an emergency.

Provider Documents
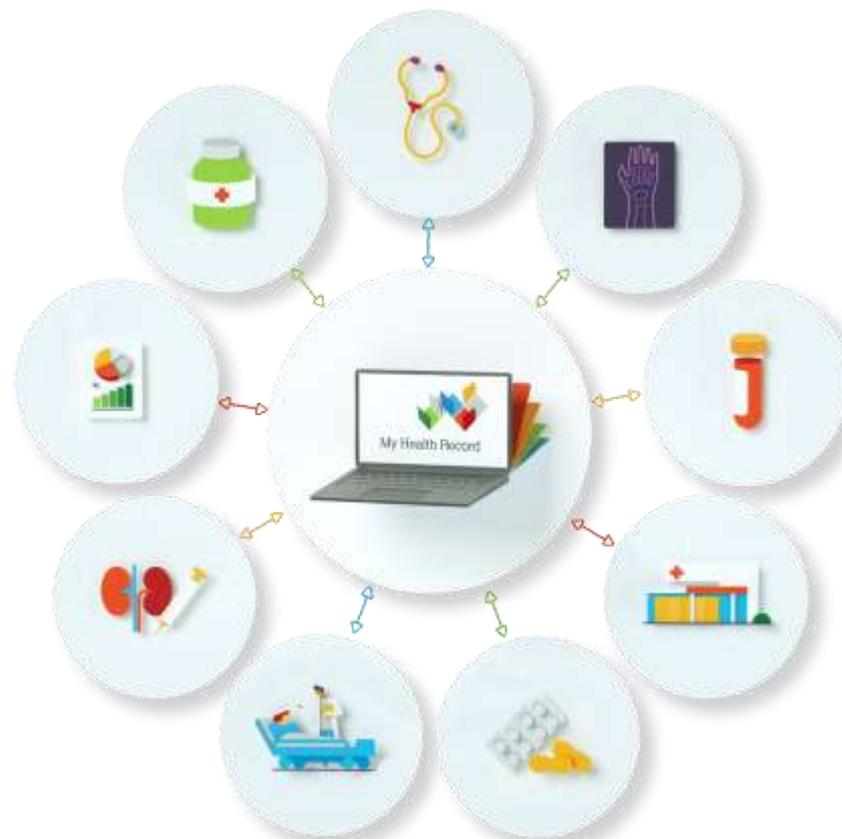
Shared Health Summaries

Discharge Summaries

Pathology reports

Diagnostic Imaging

Event Summaries

Prescription & Dispense reports

Specialist Letters & eReferrals

Consumer Documents

Personal Health Summary

Personal Health Notes

Advance Care Planning Documents & Custodian Details

Emergency Contacts

Childhood development

Medicare Documents

MBS & PBS information

Organ Donor & Immunisation Register

Australian Government
Australian Digital Health Agency

My Health Record Privacy Controls

People can control their own My Health Record access and privacy settings

✓ **Control access**
Provide healthcare providers with a **record access code**

✓ **Lock documents**
Restrict viewing of **specific documents** to selected providers

✓ **Nominate representatives**
Nominate people to **manage the record** on their behalf

✓ **Check activity**
See who has **accessed** their record

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Strengthening Privacy & Security

The Australian Parliament has passed legislation to strengthen privacy protections in My Health Records Act 2012
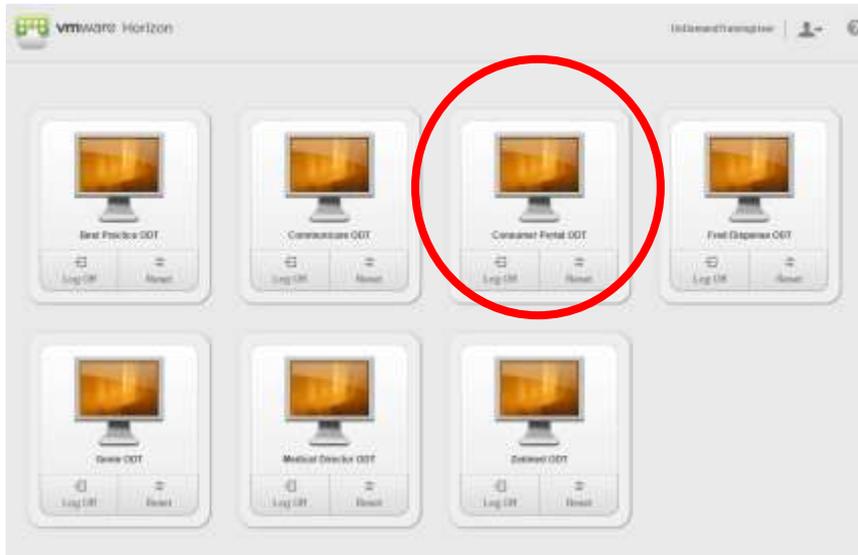
The changes will:

- Allow Australians to permanently delete their records, and any backups, at any time.
- Explicitly prohibit access to My Health Records by insurers and employers.
- Provide greater privacy for teenagers 14 years and over.
- Strengthen existing protections for people at risk of family and domestic violence.
- Clarify that only the Agency, the Department of Health and the Chief Executive of Medicare (and no other government agency) can access the My Health Record system.
- Explicitly require law enforcement and other agencies to produce a court order to access information in My Health Records.
- Make clear that the system cannot be privatised or used for commercial purposes.

This is backed up by harsher penalties and fines for inappropriate or unauthorised use of My Health Records.

My Health Record Consumer Portal "Sandpit Environment"

The training environment also provides a simulation of the My Health Record Consumer Portal. This system simulates the look and functionality of a consumer's view of the My Health Record system for a fictitious patient, and replicates many of the functions with which consumers may interact.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?time_continue=12&v=yHtOLCRpNho