

Subject: Invitation to participate in a survey on the My Health Record system

We are seeking your assistance in an evaluation of the My Health Record system (previously known as the Personally Controlled Electronic Health Record system).

The Department of Health is trialling new participation arrangements where individuals will have a My Health Record automatically created for them, unless they decide they don't want one, and opt-out. The results of these trials will guide future strategies for bringing forward the benefits of My Health Record nationally. The Nepean Blue Mountains Primary Health Network will be conducting local activities for the My Health Record participation trial. The Department of Health has engaged an independent evaluator, Siggins Miller Consultants, to conduct the evaluation of the trials. As part of this evaluation Siggins Miller is conducting two baseline surveys, in conjunction with the Centre of Applied Health Economics, Griffith University, one for healthcare providers and one for consumers.

You are invited to participate in a short survey to establish a baseline against which the trials can be evaluated. This survey will take approximately 5-10 minutes to complete. Participation in the survey is anonymous and voluntary.

The focus of the healthcare provider survey is to understand the current level of:

- awareness and understanding of the My Health Record system
- confidence to use the My Health Record system
- participation in and use of the My Health Record system
- experience with the system

Some questions ask about professional practice, workplace and demographics to allow the evaluator to better interpret the answers.

Siggins Miller is offering everyone who completes this survey and provides their contact details the opportunity to enter into a draw to win one of three iPads.

This baseline survey will be live until 10 March 2016. A follow up study will be conducted after the trial activities are complete in the second half of the year.

To start the survey please click on the link below:

http://griffithhealth.co1.qualtrics.com/SE/?SID=SV_5cZSiKDJWuwU3wp

Thank you for taking the time to consider this request.

If you have any questions please contact Professor Mel Miller, Director of Siggins Miller Consultants, by email mel.miller@sigginsmiller.com.au, or Dr Martin Downes by email m.downes@griffith.edu.au or call 1800 077 588. Ethics approval from Griffith University Human Research Ethics Committee (reference number: 2016/076).

