



Share by Default Reforms

What this means for general practice and patients

5th March 2026

Acknowledgement of Country

We acknowledge that we work on the traditional lands of the Darug, Gundungurra and Wiradjuri peoples.

We pay our respects to Aboriginal Elders and peoples past and present.



Housekeeping

- Attendees muted for duration of webinar
- 1 hour duration
- Webinar is being recorded and will be made available on our website
- Q & A

Modernising My Health Record – Improved access to health information

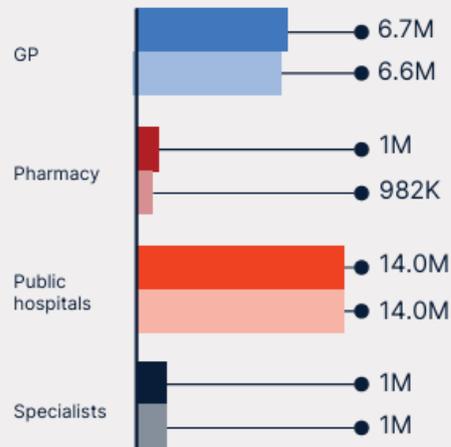


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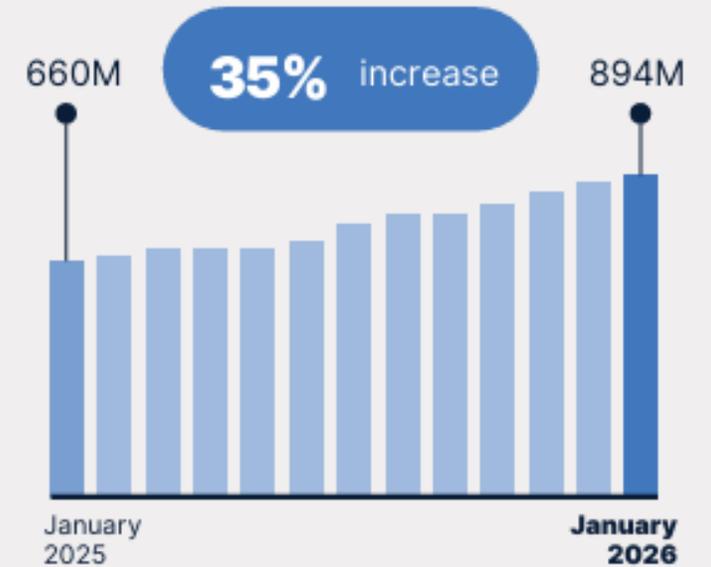
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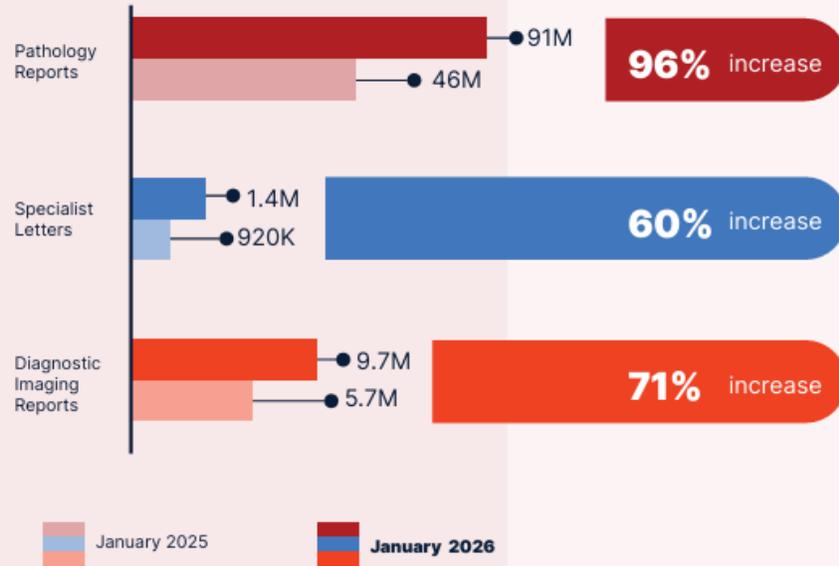
Volume of **clinical documents** uploaded



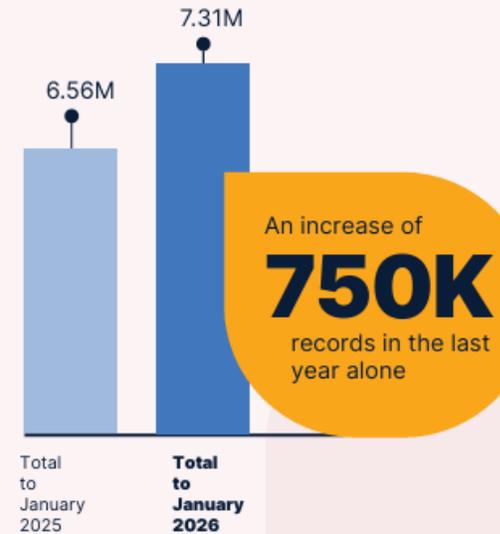
■ January 2025 to January 2026
■ December 2024 to December 2025

How are **people** using it?

Increased views since last year



How **many records** have been viewed?



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**Share by Default
(Better and Faster Access)**

'Sharing by Default' legislation and what is changing

- *Health Legislation Amendment (Modernising My Health Record – sharing by Default) Bill 2024*
 - Allows the government to make rules about what health information healthcare providers must share to the My Health Record System
- **Pathology and diagnostic providers** are required to share reports by default to My Health Record (this will be mandated by 1st July 2026)
- Policy changes will align to allow patients to view their pathology and diagnostic reports sooner

What is better and faster access?

Better access: introducing a legislative requirement for information to be shared with My Health Record by default, starting with pathology and diagnostic imaging reports.

Faster access: amending the 7-day delay to provide consumers with access to most of their results as soon as they have been uploaded to My Health Record. For some categories of results, there will be a 5-day delay before consumers can access them (based on the test type, not the result).



Faster Access

Aligned with CRG recommendations



October 2025

Pathology Test Type

Patient Access Delay



Anatomical and cytopathology tests, genetic tests

5 days



Other pathology results

No delay

March 2026

Diagnostic Imaging Report type

Patient Access Delay



Cross sectional Imaging reports (CT, MRI, PET, Ultrasound) and X-ray reports – head and thorax (chest, abdomen, pelvis)

5 days



X-ray extremities

No delay

What is not changing



- Patients can decide if their test result should not be uploaded to their My Health Record



- Patients will not see images on My Health Record



- No change in costs for patients

What is not changing



- No change to the way general practices receive pathology results and recall patients with significant test results



- Viewing and accessing documents on My Health Record in clinical software

Accessing patient's My Health Record

The screenshot displays a software interface for accessing a patient's My Health Record. A red box highlights the 'My Health Record' menu, which includes the following options:

- View Document list (Ctrl+F9)
- Create Shared Health Summary (Shift+F9)
- Create Event summary
- My Uploaded documents
- View Prescription and Dispense
- View Pathology reports
- View Diagnostic Imaging reports
- Register for My Health Record

The patient profile for Mr Caleb Derrington is visible, with a red box highlighting the 'My Health Record' button. The profile includes the following information:

- Family members: Mr Caleb Derrington
- Birth Sex: Male
- 0m 24s
- Finalise visit
- Gender: Not Recorded
- Pronouns:
- Ethnicity: Non Aboriginal/Torres S
- Advance Health Directive:

At the bottom of the screen, there is a table with the following data:

Moderate	Preventive health	21/02/2020	Influenza vaccination will be due soon!
	Preventive health	21/02/2020	Vaccination against shingles should be considered!

Accessing documents in My Health Record

My Health Record - Mr Caleb Derrington

This is not a complete view of the individual's health information. For more information about the individual's health record or data, please consult the individual or other healthcare professionals as needed.

View Latest Shared Health Summary

Document List

Filters

Reset Filter

From: 27-Aug-2020

To: 27-Aug-2021

Document Type:

Saved Status:

Exclude Medicare documents

Exclude prescription and dispense records

Exclude superseded or removed documents

Current filter:
From 27-Aug-2020: To 27-Aug-2021; Excluding Medicare documents; Excluding prescription and dispense records; Excluding superseded or removed records

Document Date	Service Date	Document	Organisation	Organisation Type	Saved
27/08/2021		Diagnostic Imaging Overview	My Health Record	Provision and administration of	Not Saved
27/08/2021		Pathology Overview	My Health Record	Provision and administration of	Not Saved
27/08/2021		Medicines View	My Health Record	Provision and administration of	Not Saved
12/08/2021	11/08/2021	Immunisation Consolidated View	My Health Record	Provision and administration of	Not Saved
01/03/2021		Pathology Report	QML Pathology	Pathology and Diagnostic Imag	Not Saved
01/03/2021		Diagnostic Imaging Report	Queensland Diagnostic Imagin	Pathology and Diagnostic Imag	Not Saved

Superseded Removed

Diagnostic Imaging Reports in My Health Record

My Health Record Document Viewer - Mr Caleb Derrington

Diagnostic Imaging Reports Overview
17 Sep 2021

Caleb DERRINGTON DoB 15 Jun 1933 (88 years) SEX Male IHI 8003 6080 0004 5922

Start of Document

My Health Record

Diagnostic Imaging Reports Overview (Filter range from 31-Dec-2014 to 17-Sep-2021)

Important
This view only displays Diagnostic Imaging Reports available in this patient's My Health Record and is not a complete history of all Diagnostic Imaging Reports.
This view also does not show Diagnostic Imaging results from other clinical documents, e.g. a discharge summary or event summary.

Please note:

- Diagnostic Imaging Reports shown are those collected within the date range of your software's document list filter;
- If Diagnostic Imaging Reports are not displayed, narrow the date range of the document list filter to the examination date of the report.

For more information [\[Help\]](#)

View generated on 17-Sep-2021 08:47

Reports - grouped by Modality and ordered by Examination date
01-Mar-2017 to 01-Mar-2021 (6 months ago)

Organisation	Examination date	Time	Examination	Modality	Status	Report	Report group
Queensland Diagnostic Imaging	01-Mar-2021 (6 months ago)	17:00	chest x-ray	x-ray	Final	1st Report	(View 0 more within 4 years)
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		17:00	Cervical spine X-Ray	Cervical spine X-Ray	Final	1st Report	(View 4 more within 4 years)
		17:00	Neck Unstable	Neck Unstable	Final	1st Report	(View 4 more within 4 years)
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Currently logged in: Dr Terence Walker (Main surgery) Friday 17/09/2021 08:53:38 AM

Pathology Reports in My Health Record

Pathology Reports Overview
9 Nov 2023

Caleb DERRINGTON DoB: 15 Jun 1933 (90 years) SEX: Male IHI: 8003 6080 0004 5922

Reports - grouped by Test Name and ordered by Specimen collection date
01-Mar-2021 to 19-Oct-2022 (a year ago)

Organisation	Specimen collected date	Time	Test name	Status	Report	Report group
Pathways Group Pathology	19-Oct-2022 (a year ago)	19:34	Electrolytes Urea Creatinine	Final	1st Report	(View 3 more within 1 years)
		19:34	CA MG PHOS	Final	1st Report	(View 2 more within 3 months)
		19:34	C-Reactive protein	Final	1st Report	(View 2 more within 3 months)
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Latest Pathology Reports for Electrolytes Urea Creatinine
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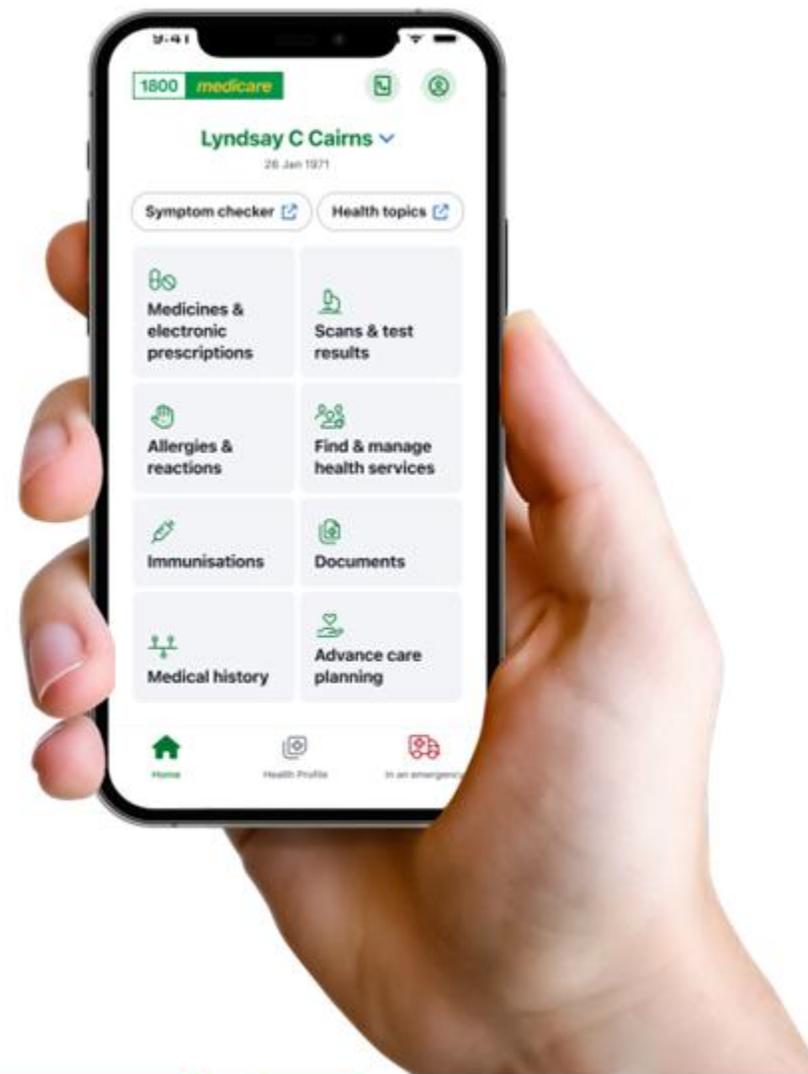


How are consumers accessing their My Health Record?

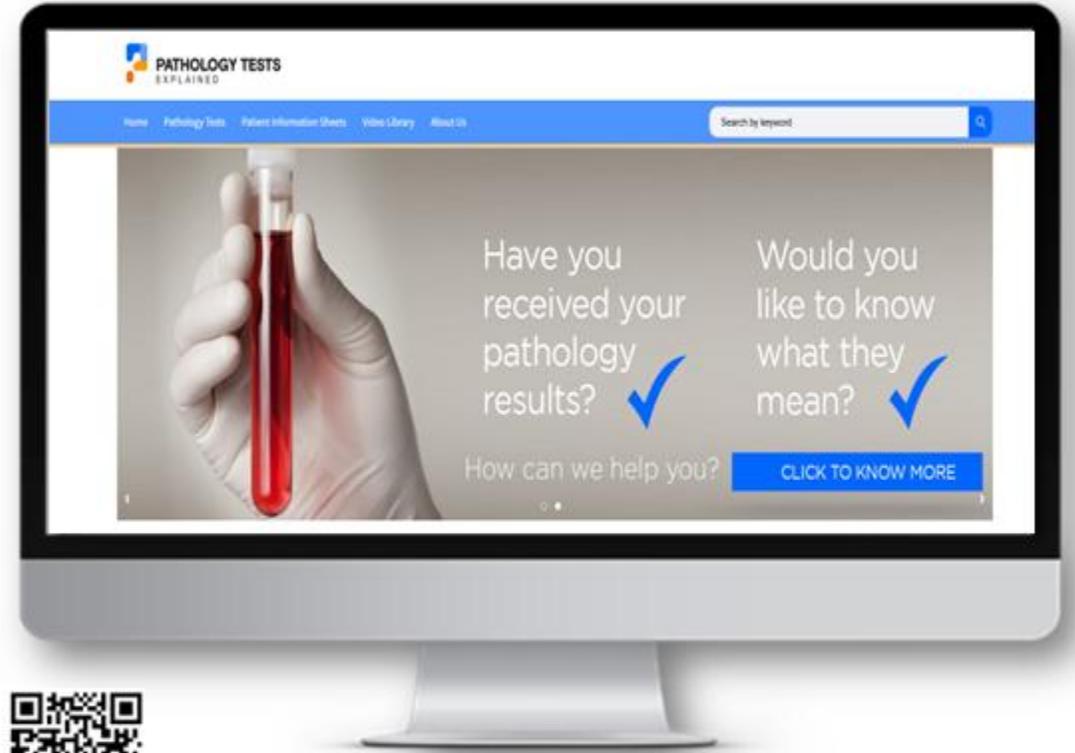
What is the 1800MEDICARE app?

Access key health information, seek trusted advice and connect with care, all from the palm of your hand.

- The 1800MEDICARE app is a secure and convenient way to view key health information that consumers, their healthcare providers or representatives have uploaded to My Health Record.
- It gives individuals access to electronic prescriptions and their Active Script List (which pharmacists will know as MySL) and has other great features like find and book a health service.
- It also gives access to Medicare services as well as links to information on how to enrol and claim, and much more.

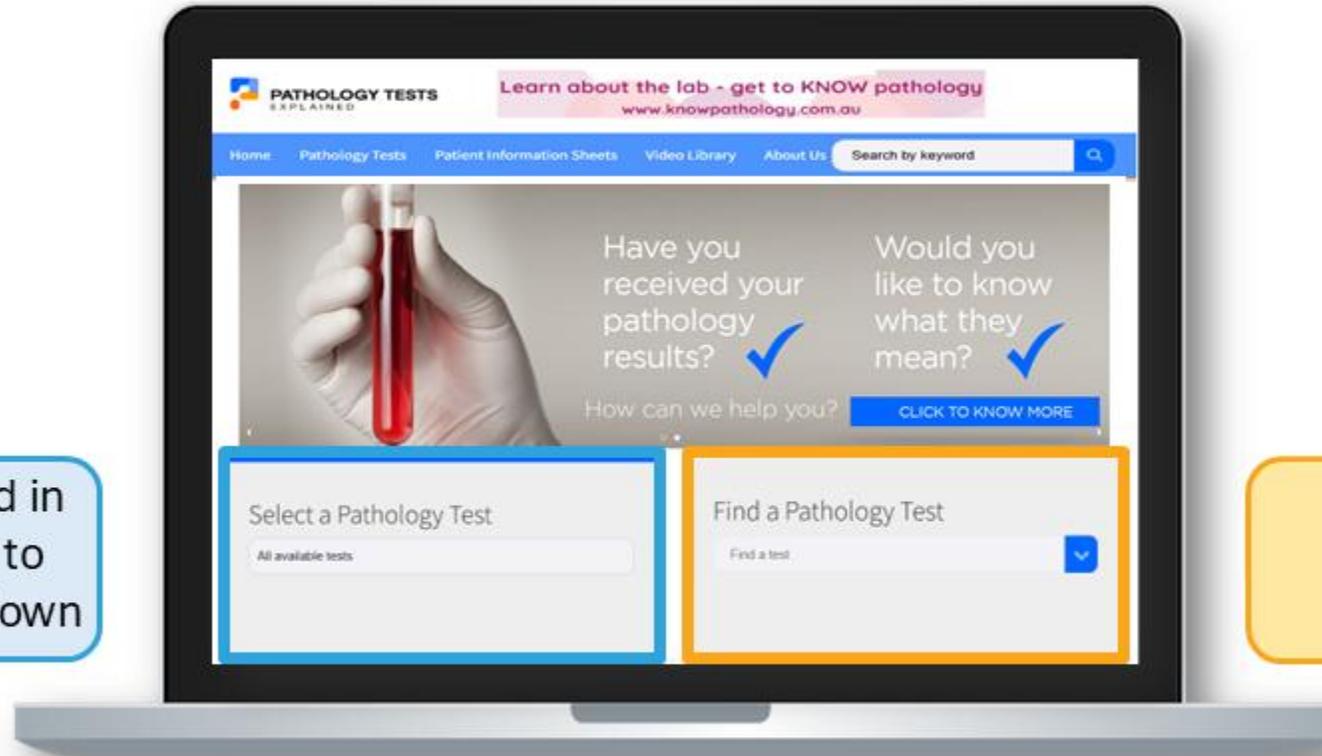


Link to more information about results



(Scan QR code for to access Pathology Tests Explained website)

Pathology Tests Explained



Available tests listed in alphabetical order to select from a drop-down

Enter text in the search box to find a test*

*Examples:
*AFP, Allergies,
Blood Group, Creatinine*

My Health Record training & resources

- Arrange My Health Record training with your Practice Support officer
- [Better and Faster Access Guide for health care providers](#)
- [Digital Health Agency's Training & Education](#) (eLearning modules and software summary sheets)



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Any Questions?

Consent

- Healthcare provider organisations are authorised to collect, use and disclose health information in a patient's record for the purpose of providing healthcare
 - consent does not need to be obtained on each occasion prior to viewing or uploading information

However...

- RACGP recommends discuss the information they are planning to upload with patients (especially if it is information is of a sensitive nature)
- if a patient explicitly asks that information is not uploaded to My Health Record, healthcare providers must comply
- in NSW, laws specify to seek consent from patients when uploading health information about HIV to My Health Record.

Thank you for joining us!

