

## **Farnham Road Medical Group**

## **Records Retention Policy**

FRMG follows the NHS Records Management Code of Practice.

The Records Management Code of Practice for Health and Social Care a guide for you to use in relation to the practice of managing records. It is relevant to organisations working within, or under contract to, the NHS in England. The Code also applies to adult social care and public health functions commissioned or delivered by local authorities.

The Code provides a framework for consistent and effective records management based on established standards. It includes guidelines on topics such as legal, professional, organisational and individual responsibilities when managing records. It also advises on how to design and implement a records management system including advice on organising, storing, retaining and deleting records. It applies to all records regardless of the media they are held on. Wherever possible organisations should be moving away from paper towards digital records.

For guidance on retention periods, storage and methods of disposal for different types of record please follow this link: Records Management Code of Practice - NHS Transformation Directorate (england.nhs.uk)

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