

# **Connecting Your Care**

## **How we use your information**

### **What do we mean by “Connecting Your Care”?**

In the past health and social care workers from the local organisations involved in your care did not have a system in place to share important information about your care automatically. This meant that GPs, hospital staff, district nurses, social workers and other teams looking after you did not always have immediate access to all the information needed to provide timely and efficient care.

To address this in South West London, we are introducing a new system that will allow the health and social care professionals who look after you to see the information held about you in other systems. The system will allow important information about you to be shared securely so that it can be viewed quickly and safely by staff directly involved in your care. This will enable them to make better informed and quicker decisions about your care and treatment.

### **Do I have a choice?**

Yes. To find out what your options are, and to find out more about how Connecting Your Care will work for you please visit our webpage at:

[www.swlondon.nhs.uk/connectingyourcare](http://www.swlondon.nhs.uk/connectingyourcare)