

My Health Record – FAQs No. 4 - 2019

1. Can Enrolled Nurses upload a Shared Health Summary to My Health Record?

No. An Enrolled Nurse (Division 2) is not permitted by the My Health Records Act 2012 to create/author a Shared Health Summary. Only Medical Practitioners, Registered Nurses (Division 1) and Aboriginal Health Practitioners are permitted by the My Health Records Act 2012 to upload Shared Health Summaries. [Read more](#). Enrolled Nurses, with a HPI-I (from AHPRA), who are directly involved in the patient's care, may be authorised to upload an Event Summary. [Read more](#).

2. How long does it take to upload a shared health summary?

It takes less than 10 seconds to upload a health summary in MedicalDirector or Bp Premier clinical software. The time it takes to curate the patient's health summary before you upload however is completely dependent on the current quality of data and the complexity of the patient's health (and the conversation).

3. How often do I upload a Shared Health Summary?

Every time there is a change to the patient's medication, allergy status, immunisation or a new diagnosis is added. For an elderly patient with complex health needs and changing medications, you may be uploading a Shared Health Summary every few weeks however that may be very beneficial at the point of care if they do need to see another health care provider.

4. The ePIP currently requires a general practice to upload approximately 5 shared health summaries per GP per quarter. Will it stay like that?

There has been no official notification of a change to ePIP however it seems likely the requirements will increase over time as most Australians now have a My Health Record. The recent (2019) MBS Review Taskforce recommended a Shared Health Summary be uploaded for every patient who has a care plan (unless they have opted out).

5. How have the protections been strengthened for people at risk of family and domestic violence?

"Parents subject to a court order, where they do not have unsupervised access to their child, or who pose a risk to the life, health and safety of the child or another person will not be eligible to be an Authorised Representative." [Read more](#)

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