

West Midlands Secure Data Environment

Supporting inclusive research
and care planning to reduce
health inequalities

A major new NHS-led project will use health data from across the West Midlands to develop new medicines and improve healthcare for people living in the region.

The West Midlands Secure Data Environment (West Midlands SDE) will allow researchers and health and care service planners to analyse health and social care data in a safe and secure way.

What they learn will help them discover answers to important health questions relevant to our local communities.

It will support innovative advances in how care and treatment are provided, benefiting everyone.

And it will enable us to work with health and care colleagues to understand and improve healthcare in those parts of the West Midlands with the greatest need.

The West Midlands SDE is part of a national network of NHS-led secure data environments being created across England.

The six integrated care systems involved in the West Midlands SDE are:

- Birmingham and Solihull
- Black Country
- Coventry and Warwickshire
- Herefordshire and Worcestershire
- Shropshire, Telford and Wrekin
- Staffordshire and Stoke-on-Trent

Opting out

From West Midlands SDE-supported research and care planning only, or to opt back in:

- visit westmidlandssde.nhs.uk/your-data/local-data-opt-out
- download and complete a form
- email to WMSDEOptout@uhb.nhs.uk
- or post to **West Midlands SDE, R&D, 1st Floor, ITM, Heritage Building, Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham B15 2TH**
- watch out for details of our phone service, coming soon.

From all research and care planning:

visit nhs.uk/your-nhs-data-matters,
or call **0300 303 5678**.

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