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Dear Colleagues

## TPP SystmOne - FAQs for GP Practices

I am writing to draw attention to the enclosed guidance issued by the BMA for practices who use TPP SystmOne. This is in the light of a statement by the Information Commissioner issued on 21st March, which reads:

ICO statement in relation to the potential risk to patient medical records held by GPs on TPP SystmOne

"The ICO has data protection compliance concerns about SystmOne's enhanced data sharing function and the potential risk to patients' medical records held by GPs.

"However, given the possible impact to patient care, the ICO is not advocating that users switch off data sharing at this stage.

"The ICO's concerns are centred on the fair and lawful processing of patient data on the system and ensuring adequate security of the patient data on the system. We continue to work closely with TPP, NHS Digital and NHS England and have seen an initial plan that they have put forward. This includes initial steps they are taking to remedy these issues and further work is planned."

If there are further updates these will be available from the BMA; practices using TPP SystmOne may also receive advice from TPP.

With best wishes

Yours sincerely

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