

**PATIENTS' ACCESSING THEIR
GP RECORD – IT'S
HAPPENING NOW AND IT
MAKES A REAL DIFFERENCE**

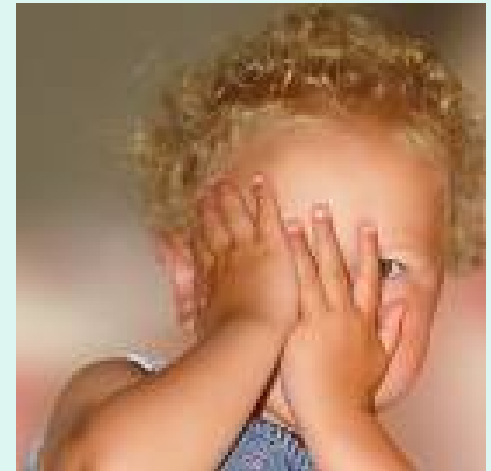
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WE ALREADY KNOW

- RA is safe
- It improves relationships
- Patients feel more in charge of their care
- And feel more informed
- Even distress at seeing the record is seen as positive
- It may help compliance with drug-taking

USING RECORD ACCESS – safer and actually in charge

- **Looking at all their data**
- **Using their family doctors more efficiently**
 - Plan consultations
 - Bypass the practice for data – tests, allergies
 - Do not take more time in consultations
- **Sharing for safety and care**
 - Relatives
 - Clinicians
- **Improving the accuracy of records**
- **Making clinical choices**
- **Reacting to health advice**
- **But they still feel they are peeking at the parent...**



THE NEXT KEY RESEARCH TOPIC

Does record access improve health
outcomes?