



Australian Government
Department of Health

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Guaranteeing Medicare – My Health Record

The Government will provide funding for the continued operation of the My Health Record system, which allows individuals to access and control their own medical history and treatments, such as vaccinations. Nine out of 10 Australians have a My Health Record.

Why is this important?

The My Health Record system will provide better coordinated care. It also supports the sustainability of the health system, including through reduced avoidable hospital admissions, fewer adverse drug events and reduced duplication of tests for people seeing multiple health care providers.

My Health Record is a key component of a modern health infrastructure and is vital in connecting the health system – general practices, pharmacies, private and public hospitals, specialists and allied health professionals.

Who will benefit?

This benefits all Australians, especially people with chronic conditions, or living or travelling in regional, rural and remote Australia.

How much will this cost?

This will cost \$200 million in 2019–20.