

General Data Protection Regulations Privacy statement

This Privacy Policy describes how and when FootFocus Podiatry collect, use, and share information when you attend an appointment our clinic, purchase a product from us, contact us, or otherwise engage our services. This is to comply with the General Data Protection Regulations (GDPR) 2018.

Information we collect

To aid your treatment or as part of purchasing something from our business you will normally provide us with certain information, such as your name, email address, postal address, medical information and payment information. We will store your information on an electronic patient record and diary system which is fully password protected.

Why we need your information and how we use it

We rely on a number of legal bases to collect, use, and share your information, including:

where it is necessary for the purposes of the provision of health care as needed to provide our services, like when we use your information to fulfil your podiatry assessment and treatment, or to provide patient support.

when you have provided your affirmative consent, which you may revoke at any time, such as by signing up for my mailing list to be reminded of upcoming appointments or treatment recalls.

if necessary to comply with a legal obligation or court order or in connection with a legal claim, such as retaining information about your purchases if required by taxation laws.

Marketing

From time to time we may wish to send you direct marketing material which may include carefully selected product offers, newsletters or information on new treatments and therapy. If you are happy for us to do this please indicate in what forms you would like to receive this information:

Mail Email Text Phone No Marketing

Information Sharing and Disclosure

Information about our patients is important to our business. We share your personal information for very limited reasons and in limited circumstances, as follows:

Medical professionals. With your consent we will share information with medical professionals such as your GP or consultant to allow continuity of care.

Service providers. We engage certain trusted third parties to perform functions and provide services to our business, such as external reception services. We will share your personal information with these third parties, but only to the extent necessary to perform these services. These 3rd parties do not have access to clinical information.

Business transfers. If we sell or merge our business, we may disclose your information as part of that transaction, only to the extent permitted by law and with your consent.

Compliance with laws. We may collect, use, retain, and share your information if we are legally required to.

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Data Retention

We retain your personal information only for as long as necessary to provide you with our services and as described in our Privacy Policy. However, we may also be required to retain this information to comply with our legal and regulatory obligations, to resolve disputes, and to enforce our agreements. The retention of podiatry records is normally a minimum of 8 years, after the last appointment. For patients who have bought products from our business, we are required to keep any data you may have provided for a minimum of 6 years in line with tax legislation.

Transfers of personal information outside the EU

We may store and process your information through third-party hosting services in the US and other jurisdictions. As a result, we may transfer your personal information to a jurisdiction with different data protection and government surveillance laws than your jurisdiction. If we are deemed to transfer information about you outside of the EU, we rely on Privacy Shield as the legal basis for the transfer, as cliniko, our record management system, is Privacy Shield certified.

Your rights

You have a number of rights in relation to your personal information. While some of these rights apply generally, certain rights apply only in certain limited cases. We describe these rights below:

Access. You have the right to access and receive a copy of the personal information we hold about you by contacting us using the contact information below.

Change, restrict, delete. You may also have rights to change, restrict our use of, or delete your personal information. In the case of health records these are normally exempt from change and deletion requests.

Object. You can object to (i) our processing of some of your information based on our legitimate interests and (ii) receiving marketing messages from us after providing your express consent to receive them. In such cases, we will delete your personal

information unless we have compelling and legitimate grounds to continue using that information or if it is needed for legal reasons.

Complain. If you wish to raise a concern about our use of your information (and without prejudice to any other rights you may have), you have the right to do so with the Information Commissioner www.ico.org.uk whom with Footfocus Podiatry is registered.

How to contact Us

For purposes of the GDPR, I, Aengus Shanahan, director of Shanahan podiatry Ltd (TA Footfocus Podiatry), am the data controller of your personal information. If you have any questions or concerns, you may contact me directly to reception@footfocuspodiatry.co.uk or alternately, you may write to us at:

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