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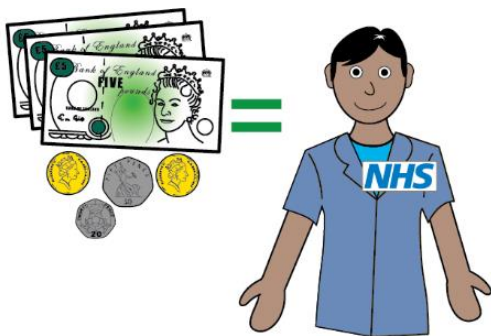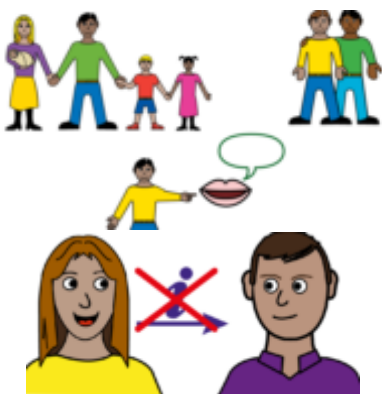# Easy Read

# About This Guidance



We have made this guidance for people with a learning disability and autistic people who are in a mental health hospital.



This leaflet is also for families and carers.

It tells you about information (data) that is collected on people with a learning disability and autistic people in a mental health hospital.
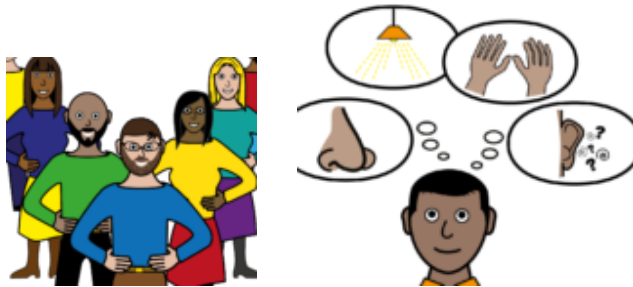


It also lets people who get the care, their families, carers and advocates know what they should do if they do not want their information included.
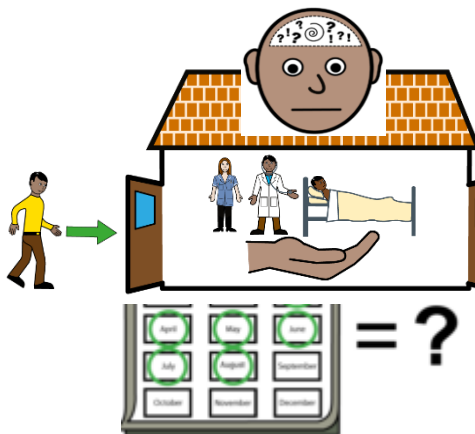
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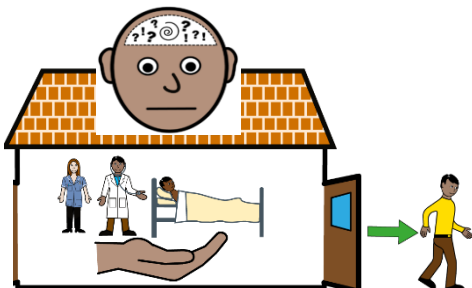
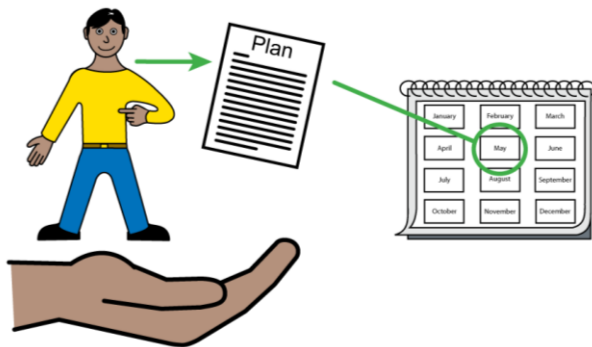Assuring Transformation includes:

The number of people with a learning disability and autistic people who are in a mental health hospital.

- Why people are going into a mental health hospital

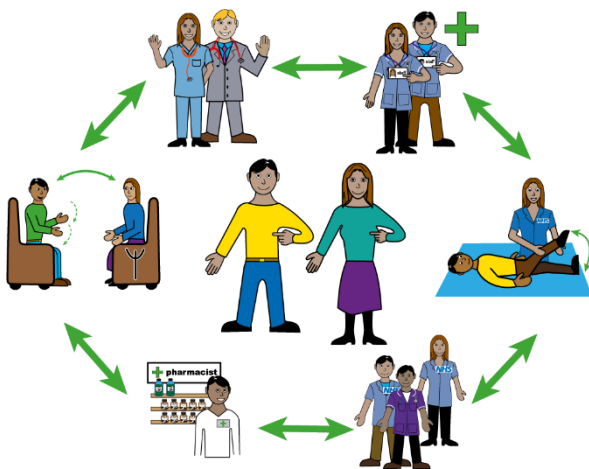- How long they have been in a mental health hospital

- How many people are leaving a mental health hospital

Do people have a:

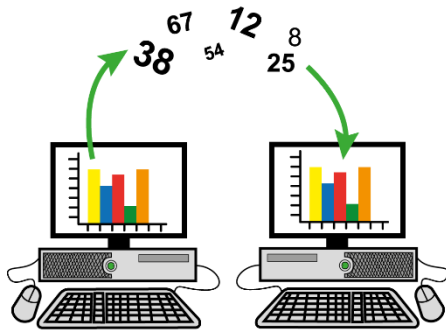- Care Plan

- Care Co-Ordinator
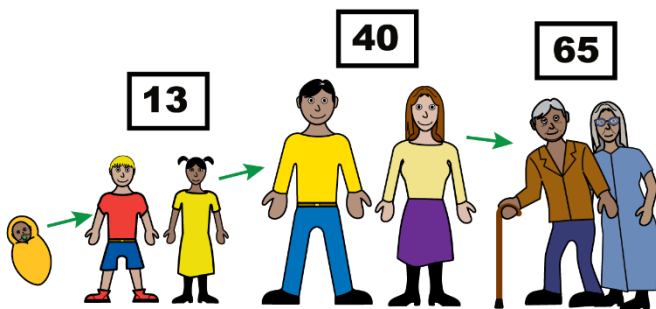
- Reviews to check their care and treatment

- Visits from their commissioner [who pays for their services]

- An advocate to help them speak up for their rights

The data also covers people's:

- Age [how old you are]

- Gender [means how male or female you feel you are, or you may not feel like either of these, so you may use another word to describe yourself]
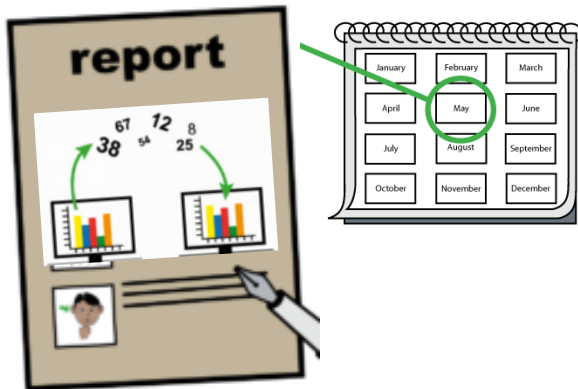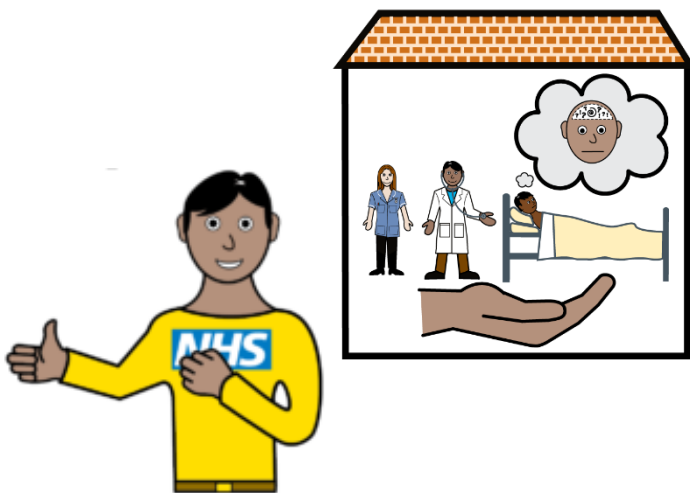
- Ethnic background

- The data will also cover what kind of
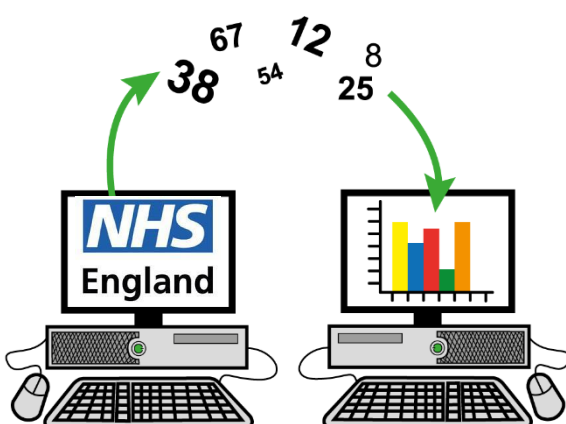
mental health hospital you are in.

# How do we use the information?

NHS England collects the data from commissioners each month and puts it into a report called Assuring Transformation.
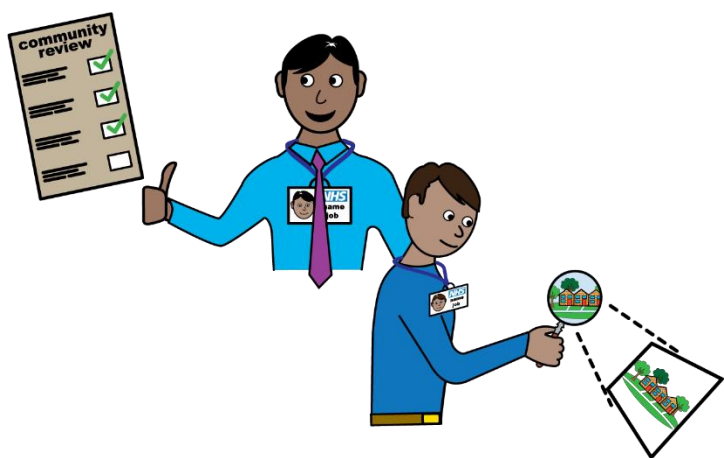
The report lets the public check whether the NHS is doing a good job of looking after people with a learning disability and autistic people who are in a mental health hospital.

NHS England is in charge of putting Assuring

Transformation data together.

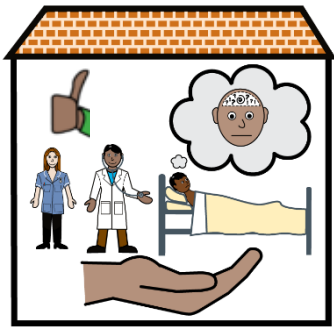We use this information to check that people are getting the right mental health care in the right place.

We also use the information to make sure people are not in hospital if they would be better looked after in the community.
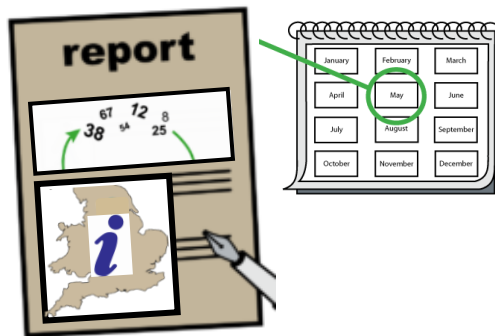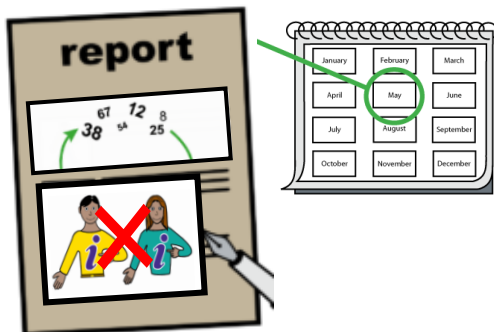
# Looking after people's information

It is important that Assuring Transformation has information about all people with a learning disability and autistic people getting care in a mental health hospital.
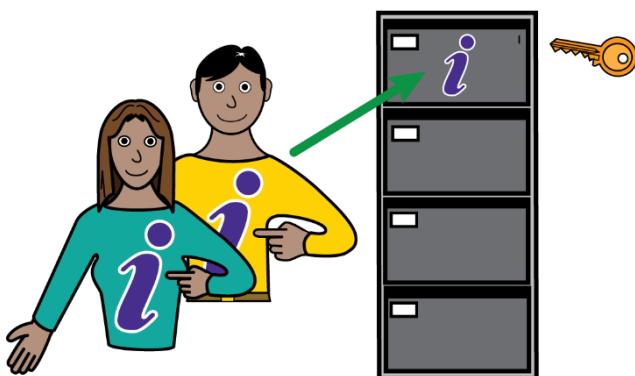
This way, we can check that all people are getting the right care in the right place.

When NHS England publishes the monthly Assuring Transformation reports, they include important information about what is happening all across England.
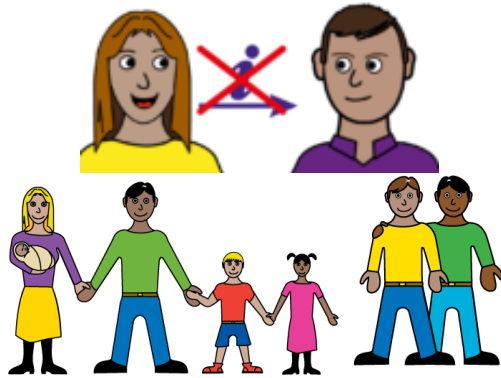


The monthly reports do not have any personal information, like names, birthdays or NHS numbers.
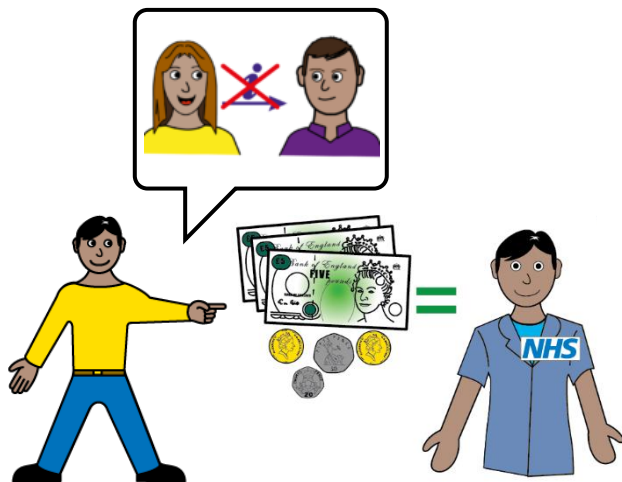


NHS England makes sure people's personal information is looked after safely so that nobody could work out who the monthly reports are talking about.
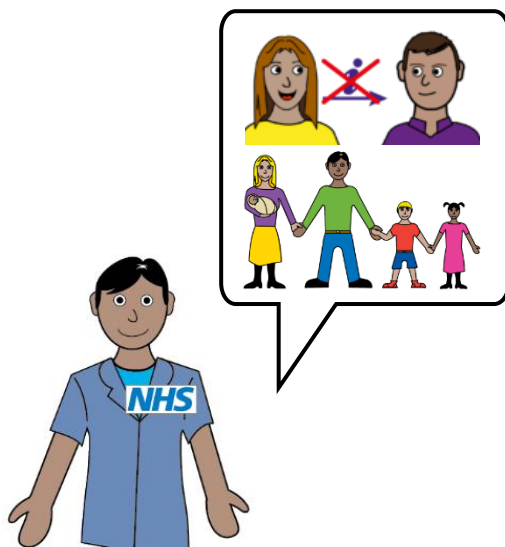
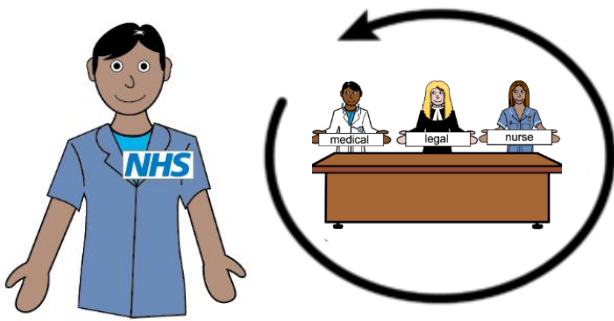# What happens if I'm not happy about my information being shared?



The person, a family member or a carer can say that they are not happy that information about their care is being shared with NHS England.



People who do not want information to be put in Assuring Transformation need to tell their commissioner (the person who pays for their care).



The commissioner will get in touch with the person, their carer or their family member to talk about this.
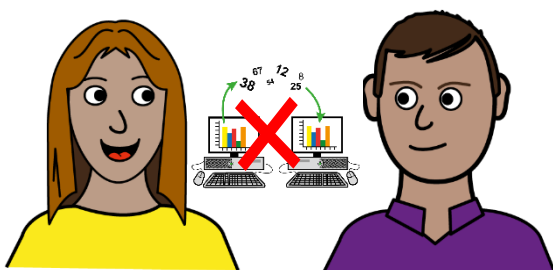
If the commissioner wants to still include the person's information they have to arrange a panel.
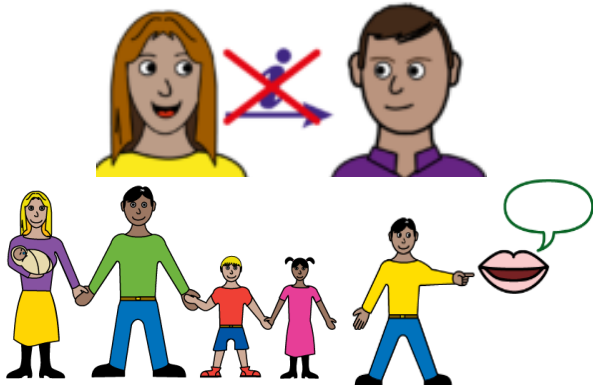
The panel (in the organisation that pays for your care) will decide if your data should be shared with NHS England.
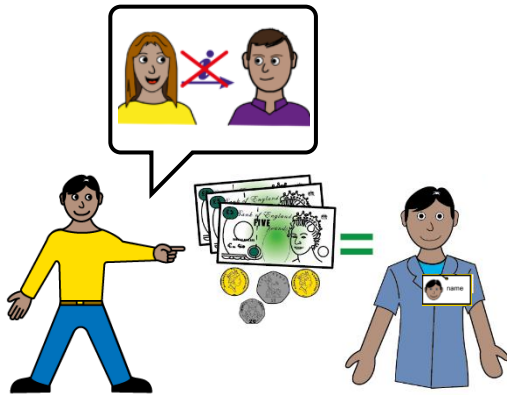
# The information cannot be shared if:

The person doesn't want their information to be used as part of the data unless the Panel says it should be shared.

# Who to contact?

If you would like support to say you do not want to share your information you can talk to a family member, an advocate or a self-advocacy group.

This is who you need to tell if you do not want NHS England to collect information about you or someone you care for:

Name of commissioner:

Name of organisation:

Phone number:

Email Address: