

Working with the No 10 Data Science team to explore patient referral processes

Overview:

The joint project will analyse secure and anonymised patient data to find out how the NHS patient referral system is supporting the management of demand on hospital services.

The research will build an evidence-based picture of how the referral process for specialist care works in practice, and will help lead to improvements to the patient experience.



The data will initially be coming from the Connected Bradford data base which includes anonymised data from people within the Bradford and some surrounding areas.

Connected Bradford is the only research database in England that provides linkage between GP data and data within hospital electronic health record systems.

It includes information from 1.4m individual patients, created by linking data from primary and secondary care, along with data provided by others relating to education, housing and air quality.

John Birkinshaw, West Yorkshire Operational Lead for YHSDE and Research Data Infrastructure Manager for Connected Bradford, said: "We are thrilled to be able to support this request and look forward to working with other customers in the future as we continue to build on our unique, secure data sets to help with progress."

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