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## **General Practice NSW Mental Health State-wide Network Meeting**

### **Medico-Legal topic: Privacy**

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# Privacy Obligations in Relation to Patient Records and Health Information

# Information held before the commencement of the various Privacy Acts

Requests from partners/spouses for  
information on each other

# Request from a parent for information concerning their child

# Dealing with patients over the telephone

# Practice staff obligations regarding patient privacy

# Exceptions to the privacy principles

# Provision of patient information to third parties

**Disclosure or use for the primary  
purpose for which it was collected**

# Disclosure or use for a secondary purpose

# Notes on particular situations

# Use of patient photographs

# Testimonials

# Summary of privacy obligations

