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Your Questions answered

Is it possible to accept consent via electronic means?

We have been asked about the consent taking process during the COVID-19 pandemic, and whether it is possible to accept electronic signatures. We can confirm that:

- The CRANE Database accepts informed consent – for data collection and linkage – provided to cleft teams via any suitable written or electronic means,
- so long as the method is in compliance with your own Hospital's / Trust's Information Governance's policies on consent and recordings.

Please read more about this [here](#).

Can we make recordings of the CRANE Database for demonstrations?

We understand that this could be very useful. Unfortunately, making or sharing a recording of our database would be in breach of Information Governance regulations. This is because it shows patient identifiable information. Please read more about this [here](#).

Is it possible to reduce the length of CRANE's consent documentation?

We understand that shorter information leaflets might make the consent-taking process easier. Unfortunately, previous shorter versions of our leaflets did not meet the Information Governance requirements to take valid consent, according to the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR). Please read more about this [here](#).

Watch this space for the new
CRANE website
coming September 2020



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