

Privacy Policy

At P-CNS, we're committed to protecting and respecting your privacy.

P-CNS promises to respect any personal data you share with us, or which we obtain from other organisations and keep it safe. We aim to be clear when we collect your data and will not do anything you would not reasonably expect.

This Policy explains when and why we collect personal information about people who visit our website, how we use it, the conditions under which we may disclose it to others and how we keep it secure.

We may change this Policy from time to time so please check this page occasionally to ensure that you're happy with any changes. By using our website, you're agreeing to be bound by this Policy.

Any questions regarding this Policy and our privacy practices should be sent by email to info@p-cns.org.uk or by writing to Primary Care Neurology Society, 117 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8UL

Who are we?

The Primary Care Neurology Society, an independent, not-for-profit organisation, that brings together likeminded healthcare professionals, organisations and partnering companies who all share an interest in improving neurology care within primary care.

The Societies aims are:

- to stimulate greater interest in neurology amongst professionals with an interest in and/or working primary care
- to support the development and provision of high quality neurology education and information services to professionals interested/working in primary care

- to support the interface and communication between Primary and Secondary Care Neurology Service

P-CNS is committed to protecting and respecting your privacy in accordance with our obligations under data protection legislation. With effect from 25th May 2018, the main data protection law will be the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) as supplemented by the Data Protection Act 2018 and related laws.

How do we collect information from you?

We obtain information about you when you use our website, for example, when you contact us about services, or if you register to join the Society or just wish to receive our newsletter.

What type of information is collected from you?

In order to fulfil P-CNS membership benefits, administer our website, provide email alert services and consult on our work, P-CNS occasionally captures and processes personal data in various ways.

- **Site access:** As you use our website, we may automatically collect technical data about your equipment, browsing actions and usage patterns. We collect this data by using cookies, server logs and similar technologies. We use 'cookies' to enhance your experience on our website. When you are accessing our website, your device may provide us with information about the device you're using. The Google Analytics tracking tool uses a number of cookies to collect information and report website usage statistics and does so without personally identifying individual visitors to Google or P-CNS. You can set your browser to refuse all or some browser cookies, or to alert you when websites set or access cookies. If you disable or refuse cookies, please note that some parts of our website may become inaccessible or not function properly.

Sometimes, we will need to collect and process your personal data as it is part of a contract or agreement which you have entered into:

- **Events held by the P-CNS:** If you book to attend an event held by P-CNS, your email address and other information given when booking will be held on our system for the purpose of event administration.
- **Access to EBRAIN:** When you join the P-CNS, we send your name and email address to the administration team of E-Brain so that they can set up an account for you on that system. Access to E-Brain is not managed by the P-CNS.
- **Mailing List:** If you have opted-in to our mailing list or you are a P-CNS member, we will collect and process your personal information to provide you with information about forthcoming P-CNS events, publications, updates or key pieces of work etc.

We will only retain your personal data for as long as necessary to fulfil the purposes we collected it for, including for the purposes of satisfying any legal, accounting, or reporting requirements. By law we have to keep basic information about our customers (including Contact, Identity, Financial and Transaction Data) for six years, plus the current accounting year, after you cease being customers for tax purposes.

If you make a payment to join the Society, your card information is not held by us, it is collected by our third party payment processors, who specialise in the secure online capture and processing of credit/debit card transactions, as explained below.

How is your information used?

We may use your information to:

- process the joining request that you have submitted;
- to carry out our obligations arising from any contracts entered into by you and us;
- seek your views or comments on the services we provide;
- notify you of changes to our services;

- send you communications concerning the activities of the Society and that may be of interest to you. These may include information about our events, news concerning our supporting organisations;

We review our retention periods for personal information on a regular basis. We are legally required to hold some types of information to fulfil our statutory obligations. We will hold your personal information on our systems for as long as is necessary for the relevant activity, or as long as is set out in any relevant contract you hold with us.

Who has access to your information?

We will not sell or rent your information to third parties.

We will not share your information with third parties for marketing purposes.

Third Party Service Providers working on our behalf: We may pass your information to our third party service providers, agents subcontractors and other associated organisations for the purposes of completing tasks and providing services to you on our behalf (for example to process payments and send you mailings). However, when we use third party service providers, we disclose only the personal information that is necessary to deliver the service and we have a contract in place that requires them to keep your information secure and not to use it for their own direct marketing purposes. Please be reassured that we will not release your information to third parties beyond the P-CNS for them to use for their own direct marketing purposes, unless you have requested us to do so, or we are required to do so by law, for example, by a court order or for the purposes of prevention of fraud or other crime.

Third Party Product Providers we may work in association with: In the future we may work with third party product providers to bring you a range of quality and reliable products and services designed to meet the needs of our members. If you enquire about

or purchase one or more of these products, the relevant third party product provider will use your details to provide you with information and carry out their obligations arising from any contracts you have entered into with them. In some cases, they will be acting as a data controller of your information and therefore we advise you to read their Privacy Policy. These third party product providers will share your information with us which we will use in accordance with this Privacy Policy.

When you are using our secure online payment pages, your payment is processed by a third party payment processor, who specialises in the secure online capture and processing of credit/debit card transactions. If you have any questions regarding secure transactions, please contact us.

How you can access and update your information

The accuracy of your information is important to us.

Under General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) you have the right to request access to your personal data and ask for it to be amended or removed. You can see more about these rights at: <https://ico.org.uk/for-organisations/guide-to-the-general-data-protection-regulation-gdpr/individual-rights/>

If you wish to exercise any of the rights, please email us at info@p-cns.org.uk or write to us at: Primary Care Neurology Society, 117 Waterloo Road, London SE1 8UL

You have the right to ask for a copy of the information P-CNS hold about you (we may charge £10 for information requests) to cover our costs in providing you with details of the information we hold about you.

Security precautions in place to protect the loss, misuse or alteration of your information

When you give us personal information, we take steps to ensure that it's treated securely. Any sensitive information (such as credit or debit card details) is encrypted and protected with the following software 128 Bit encryption on SSL. When you are on a secure page, a lock icon will appear on the bottom of web browsers such as Google.

Non-sensitive details (your email address etc.) are transmitted normally over the Internet, and this can never be guaranteed to be 100% secure. As a result, while we strive to protect your personal information, we cannot guarantee the security of any information you transmit to us, and you do so at your own risk. Once we receive your information, we make our best effort to ensure its security on our systems. Where we have given (or where you have chosen) a password which enables you to access certain parts of our websites, you are responsible for keeping this password confidential. We ask you not to share your password with anyone.

Profiling

We may analyse your personal information to create a profile of your interests and preferences so that we can contact you with information relevant to you. We may make use of additional information about you when it is available from external sources to help us do this effectively. We may also use your personal information to detect and reduce fraud and credit risk.

Use of 'cookies'

Like many other websites, the P-CNS website uses cookies. 'Cookies' are small pieces of information sent by an organisation to your computer and stored on your hard drive to allow that website to recognise you when you visit. They collect statistical data about your browsing actions and patterns and do not identify you as an individual. For example, we use cookies to store your country

preference. This helps us to improve our website and deliver a better more personalised service.

It is possible to switch off cookies by setting your browser preferences. For more information on how to switch off cookies on your computer, visit our full cookies policy. Turning cookies off may result in a loss of functionality when using our website.

Links to other websites

Our website may contain links to other websites run by other organisations. This privacy policy applies only to our website, so we encourage you to read the privacy statements on the other websites you visit. We cannot be responsible for the privacy policies and practices of other sites even if you access them using links from our website.

In addition, if you linked to our website from a third party site, we cannot be responsible for the privacy policies and practices of the owners and operators of that third party site and recommend that you check the policy of that third party site.

Transferring your information outside of Europe

As part of the services offered to you through this website, the information which you provide to us may be transferred to countries outside the European Union ("EU"). By way of example, this may happen if any of our servers are from time to time located in a country outside of the EU. These countries may not have similar data protection laws to the UK. By submitting your personal data, you're agreeing to this transfer, storing or processing. If we transfer your information outside of the EU in this way, we will take steps to ensure that appropriate security measures are taken with the aim of ensuring that your privacy rights continue to be protected as outlined in this Policy.



If you use our services while you are outside the EU, your information may be transferred outside the EU in order to provide you with those services.

Review of this Policy

We keep this Policy under regular review. This Policy was last updated in May 2018.