

Community Intravenous Antibiotic Service (CIVAS)

CIVAS is an established community nursing team in Leeds that provides intravenous therapy for housebound patients within their own homes and within a community clinic setting, as an alternative to an extended stay in hospital. The CIVAS team aim to facilitate early hospital discharge for patients who are medically fit but require an extended course of intravenous antibiotic therapy. The overall aim of the service is to improve patient experience, choice, wellbeing and quality of life.

Purpose of processing

Leeds Community Healthcare (LCH) through CIVAS works with hospital based clinical nurses, Infectious Disease consultants, microbiologists and specialist pharmacists to provide a Multidisciplinary approach to care. This requires the processing of patient data. The reasons for processing patient data are:

- Central Storage of electronic files
- To be able to effectively provide treatment to the patient
- To maintain an accurate clinical record
- Collation of anonymised FFT information to ensure accuracy of data collection

Source of data:

- NHS mail
- SystemOne (LCH's patient management system)
- Other healthcare professionals
- Directly from patient

Categories of recipient

- Patient
- CIVAS
- Health professionals

Categories of Personal Data

- Patient Name
- NHS Number
- Address
- DOB
- Treatment plan
- Clinical data
- HIV status

Legal basis of processing

For GDPR purposes Leeds community healthcare's lawful basis for processing is Article 6(1)e '...exercise of official authority...' and Article 6(1)(b) – '...for the performance of a contract to which the data subject is party...' and also Article 6(1)(c) – where processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which the controller is subject.

For the processing of special categories (health) data the basis is Article 9(2)(h) – '...health or social care...'. Where we process special categories data for employment or safeguarding purposes the condition is Article 9(2)(b) – processing is necessary for the purposes of carrying out the obligations and exercising specific rights of the controller or of the data subject in the field of employment and social security and social protection law...