

# Care Support MK Ltd Privacy Notice for Staff

#### **About Us**

**Care Support MK Ltd** ('we' or 'us' or 'our') gather and process your personal information in accordance with this privacy notice and in compliance with the relevant data protection Regulation and laws.

This notice provides you with the necessary information regarding your rights and our obligations, and explains how, why and when we process your personal data.

Care Support MK's registered office is at **Artemis House**, **4B Bramley Road**, **Bletchley**, **Milton Keynes**, **Bucks**, **MK1 1PT** and we are a company registered in England and Wales under company number **7901302**.

We act as the data controller/data processor when processing your data. Our designated Data Protection Officer/Appointed Person is **John Frank-Onyejuba**.

# **Information That We Collect**

Care Support MK processes your personal information to meet our legal, statutory and contractual obligations and to provide you with our products and services. We will never collect any unnecessary personal data from you and do not process your information in any way, other than as specified in this notice.

#### The personal data that we collect from is: -

- Name
- Previous Name/s
- Date of Birth
- Home Address
- Personal Email
- Business Email
- Home Telephone Number
- Mobile Telephone Number
- Work Telephone Number
- National Insurance Number
- Passport Number
- Visa / work permit information
- Previous Employment, Education history
- Emergency contact name, address, contact numbers



- Membership of professional organization / trade union
- Photographs both for recruitment purposes and during company / service user events & activities. These might be used for promotions, publications and website pages, but only after consent has been given
- Driver's License Number, endorsements
- Information relating to previous criminal conviction / police caution, reprimand, warning
- DBS (Disclosure & Barring Service) Checks
- Bank details for Payroll purposes
- Special Category Data (i.e. health/medical information, details about religion, sexuality etc)

# We collect information about our employees in the below ways: -

Staff: Application forms & CVs, conflict of interest form, photocopies of personal identity documents used for recruitment purposes, health & medical history questionnaire, equality & diversity monitoring questionnaire, periodic internal questionnaires used for quality assurance.

Information can be passed in paper format, also in email correspondence to/from us.

# **How We Use Your Personal Data**

Care Support MK takes your privacy very seriously and will never disclose, share or sell your data without your consent; unless required to do so by law. We only retain your data for as long as is necessary and for the purpose(s) specified in this notice.

# The purposes and reasons for processing your personal data are detailed below: -

- We collect your personal data to carry out recruitment, to supply a contract and to ensure that correspondence for your attention before, during and after your employment are completed and can be sent out to your preferred postal address and / or email address
- We collect and store your personal data as part of our legal obligation for business accounting, security checks and tax purposes; also for our own HR & Personnel records
- We collect and store health & emergency contact details for all of our employees in case of health / accident emergencies at work
- We have a legal obligation to share your personal data with DBS processing agencies such as UCheck, and previous employers / educational establishments, who provide us with personal / employment background checks and references prior to you commencing employment with us



- We collect & store information following a job offer, such as health & medical history, and anonymized data relating to equality & diversity as part of our legal obligations as an employer.
- We may sometimes process pictorial, recorded and written information for our company newsletter, website updates, and other promotional purposes, such as publishing photos / videos of key events.

# **Your Rights**

You have the right to access any personal information that Care Support MK processes about you and to request information about: -

- What personal data we hold about you
- The purposes of the processing
- The categories of personal data concerned
- The recipients to whom the personal data has/will be disclosed
- How long we intend to store your personal data for
- If we did not collect the data directly from you, information about the source

If you believe that we hold any incomplete or inaccurate data about you, you have the right to ask us to correct and/or complete the information and we will strive to do so as quickly as possible; unless there is a valid reason for not doing so, at which point you will be notified.

You also have the right to request erasure of your personal data or to restrict processing (*where applicable*) in accordance with the data protection laws.

If we receive a request from you to exercise any of the above rights, we may ask you to verify your identity before acting on the request; this is to ensure that your data is protected and kept secure.

You also have the right to withdraw consent to Care Support MK collecting and / or processing any data that you had previously consented to. To do this, simply send us a letter detailing which consent you wish to withdraw, addressed to:

John Frank-Onyejuba, Data Protection Officer Care Support MK Ltd Artemis House 4 B Bramley Road Bletchley Milton Keynes Bucks MK1 1PT



# **Sharing and Disclosing Your Personal Information**

We do not share or disclose any of your personal information without your consent, other than for the purposes specified in this notice or where there is a legal requirement.

Care Support MK uses third-parties to provide the below services and business functions; however, all processors acting on our behalf only process your data in accordance with instructions from us and comply fully with this privacy notice, the data protection laws and any other appropriate confidentiality and security measures.

# The main third parties we share information with include:

#### **Club Group IT Consultants**

We use this company to fix and troubleshoot IT issues at head office, to install and maintain office equipment, to syncronise office-based computer, broadband, email and printer systems, to supply and maintain security software to protect company data from malware and ransomware, and to install & set up computer equipment in service users homes where required. To fulfil these responsibilities Club Group may at times need access to electronic software and hardware which contains companyheld data, to carry out their contracted work.

#### Kler Associates Limited Accountancy & Payroll

They process the salary information for all staff in our company. To do this, they need to have information relating to staff names, addresses, marital status, National Insurance numbers, date of birth.

Adult Social Care Access Team (ASCAT), part of Milton Keynes Council ASCAT receives and processes information relating to safeguarding for our service users. In supplying necessary information, we may need to pass names and addresses, contact telephone numbers, and any other required necessary information, of specific employees, service users, member of their family, etc. This information is supplied only for the purpose of safeguarding and incident-related issues that we as an employer are legally obligated to provide.

#### **Sinclair Accountancy Services**

Processing end of year accounts for the company. This includes checking that staff have not been under- or over-paid in their annual salary. Sinclair Accountancy services have access to employees' payroll data for this purpose.



# Milton Keynes Council (MKC) Local Authority

MKC commissions care packages to Care Support MK. They hold and process information about us as a company, which may at times by necessity include staff personal data such as contact details, home address, as part of incident & safeguarding, reporting statistics.

# **Care Quality Commission (CQC)**

CQC is the national regulatory body who inspects and regulates us as a care provider. Prior to inspection visits, CQC often requests personal data about our staff – particularly contact details for interview as part of an upcoming inspection visit. They will want to know that staff have consented for these details to be passed to them by Care Support MK.

# Skills for Care (SfC)

SfC is an organization who provides funding for certain QCF qualifications. This is usually linked to a Learning Provider (Learning Centre), who first provides the qualification programme.

Skills for Care also has an extensive database, part of which is used by us as a datacapture site for our staff employment and training records. The other facility of SfC is designed to process anonymized information on recruitment contributing to national health & social care employment statistics.

#### **Learning Providers**

Learning Providers help staff to carry out and achieve a QCF qualification (with or without funding).

We may be asked as an employer to supply certain personal data of staff so the learning programme (and any available funding) can commence and continue. This could include the staff name and contact details, length of employment, role, and evidence of assessed units / course certificates.

# **Training Organisations**

Training organisations are periodically contracted by Care Support MK to provide necessary training to our staff. To plan and implement the training and obtain certificates, we may need to supply names of staff scheduled to attend.

In addition, Care Support MK subscribes to an e-learning database to keep staff up to date with other important training / refreshers. To sign up staff for e-learning we need to supply their full name. We use a work-based email account to receive certificates on behalf of staff, so we do not supply their personal email information or any other data for this purpose.



This list of third party organisations is not exhaustive – however, if there is an identified need to pass personal data to any other organization, we will only do this in line with our legal obligation as an employer, otherwise we will ask for your consent before passing any data on to other parties.

From the 25<sup>th</sup> May 2018, we will add a GDPR section to our company website which will signpost to our third parties' Privacy Policies as we receive them.

# <u>Information Security & Technical and Organisational Measures</u>

Care Support MK takes the privacy and security of individuals and their personal information very seriously and takes every reasonable measure and precaution to protect and secure the personal data that we process.

We have robust information security policies and procedures in place to protect personal information from unauthorised access, alteration, disclosure or destruction and have several layers of security measures, including: -

Web Server secure links, such as Secure Sockets Layer (SSL), access controls, password policy, encryptions, pseudonymization practices, restriction to unauthorized access, IT configurations and authentication.

#### **Transfers Outside the EU**

Personal data in the European Union is protected by the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) but some other countries may not necessarily have the same high standard of protection for your personal data.

Care Support MK transfers personal data outside of the EU under limited circumstances, such as:

- To request employer references for recruitment purposes
- To confirm staff medical issues arising that have a history in another country outside the EU
- To provide an employment reference requested by another employer

Where we transfer personal information for the above reasons, we utilise the below safeguarding measures and mechanisms to ensure that your personal data is always safe and secure: -

 Using company emails / company faxes for correspondence with other employers outside of the EU



 Transferring minimal and appropriate service user information such as medication sheets, passport, and keeping these secure for the duration of any trip.

# **Consequences of Not Providing Your Data**

You are not obligated to consent to us processing your personal data, however, if this information is required for us to act as your employer, we may still be able to process it on the grounds of 'legitimate interests'.

#### **Legitimate Interests**

As noted in the 'How We Use Your Personal Data' section of this notice, we occasionally process your personal information under the legitimate interests' legal basis. In each case, we will carry out a thorough Legitimate Interests' Assessment

(LIA) to ensure that we have weighed your interests and any risk posed to you against our own interests; ensuring that they are proportionate and appropriate.

We use the legitimate interests' legal basis for processing staff data & statistics and have identified that our interests are to ensure that our recruitment & retention and service provisions are well-maintained and meet legal obligations.

#### **How Long We Keep Your Data**

Care Support MK only retains personal information for as long as is necessary and we have strict review and retention policies in place to meet these obligations.

We are required under UK tax law to keep employees' basic personal data (name, address, contact details) for a minimum of 6 years after which time it will be destroyed.

For a detailed list of guidance to employers retaining data, please refer to the National Archives Records Management Retention Scheduling guidance for Employee Personnel Records, Internal Audits, Complaints, and Accounting. (www.nationalarchives.gov.uk)

In general, documentation that will have retention periods applied include:

- Staff recruitment & employment information, correspondences, performancemanagement data.
- Service records such as staff handover sheets, rotas, accident/incident reports, that include small amounts of staff data.



# **Special Categories Data**

Owing to the products, services or treatments that we offer, Care Support MK sometimes needs to process sensitive personal information (*known as special category data*) about our staff, to ensure they are physically and mentally able to carry out the work involved, and to carry out equality & diversity monitoring. Where we collect such information, we will only request and process the minimum necessary for the specified purpose and identify a compliant legal basis for doing so.

Where we rely on your own consent for processing special category data, we first need your explicit consent through a signed agreement for that process to go ahead. You can modify or withdraw consent at any time, which we will act on immediately, unless there is a legitimate or legal reason for not doing so. We have enclosed a consent sheet with this Privacy Policy for you to read, sign and return to us.

# **Lodging A Complaint**

Care Support MK only processes your personal information in compliance with this privacy notice and in accordance with the relevant data protection laws. If, however you wish to raise a complaint regarding the processing of your personal data or are unsatisfied with how we have handled your information, you have the right to lodge a complaint with the Data Protection Officer.

John Frank-Onyejuba, Data Protection Officer Care Support MK Ltd Artemis House 4 B Bramley Road Bletchley Milton Keynes Bucks MK1 1PT

Tel: 01908 88 90 43 / email: john@caresupportmk.co.uk

If you are not satisfied with the outcome, you can also contact:

**Information Commissioners Office** 

https://ico.org.uk/concerns/

**Tel:** 0303 123 1113