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Developments of TPP's SystemOne sharing functionalities.

The BMA has previously raised questions regarding the sharing of patient records in TPP's SystemOne software. We have issued interim statements in March and December 2017 advising GPs of progress being made to answer these issues. Following a successful pilot of new functionalities agreed and approved by the BMA, RCGP, NHSD and NHSE, TPP are now in a position to be make them available to all TPP GP SystmOne users. These new functionalities provide additional controls through which GPs can properly discharge their responsibilities under the Data Protection Act and under the soon to be introduced Data Protection Act 2018 (GDPR).

These enhancements will be made available to practices via a rolling enablement program beginning on 5th February and continuing until the 26th February and will be on a regional and CCG basis, practices can then choose when to enable the new functionality. The final element of the changes to System One's SystmOne's sharing arrangements will be the removal of the Consent Override functionality from all SystmOne sites on March 22nd 2018.

More detail, documentation, training and support resources that can be found on the TPP website at http://www.tpp-uk.com/resources. We would encourage all users to prepare for the changes by consulting these now.

The ICO continues to be informed and involved and they remain supportive of these actions and plans.

The BMA is confident that these enhancements will offer its members the tools they need to ensure that they comply with the DPA but at the same time support care of their patients through appropriate sharing. These changes represent a significant amount of work from all parties over the last 22 months and we are grateful for the constructive and collaborative approach taken by all.

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