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Dear Angela

Thank you for your continued contribution to the Connected Bradford programme during this challenging time. It has taken some time but with your help we now have a world-leading healthcare database that safely and securely links anonymised data from general practices, NHS Trusts, urgent and emergency care and local authority, including education data from the Department for Education. Bradford and Airedale are trail-blazing how data linkage should be done with strong public engagement and clinical involvement.

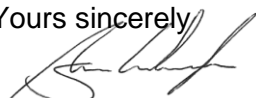
Connected Bradford will enable the development of predictive algorithms and screening tools to support quality improvement and research and innovation. In order to be able to use these tools general practices will need to be able to re-identify their own patients and to ensure appropriate compliance with information governance we have updated our data sharing agreement.

We are issuing the accompanying addendum to GPs which has been reviewed by the Local Medical Committee. If you have any concerns or objections, then please reply to us by the 20th August 2021.

Public engagement is central to our approach so we have also attached an updated fair processing notice and patient leaflet that reflects this amendment and would be grateful if you would kindly cascade to your patients so that they are aware.

If you have any queries regarding this process, please contact the Connected Bradford programme director, Kuldeep Sohal kuldeep.sohal@bthft.nhs.uk

Yours sincerely

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