

Kela / Kanta Services

Read important information about your right to influence the use of your data

This information about the Kanta Services explains what the Kanta Services are and how your data can be used. The content of this information about the Kanta Services was updated in November 2023. The most important change is that in the future, the consents to data sharing you grant can be utilised in all data sharing in social welfare and health care. When you give your consent to data sharing for the first time, or update your previous consent, your data may be shared both through the Kanta Services and in other ways.

The Kanta Services help to process your data securely

The Kanta Services are an entity of national information system services. When you visit a social welfare and healthcare service or pharmacy, your client and patient data is stored in the service provider's information system. From there, the data are transferred to the Kanta Services. The Kanta Services help to transfer data securely so that they can be used by the professionals managing your affairs. You can view your own data in MyKanta.

The use of your data is always based on a client or treatment relationship

Social welfare and health care professionals only use your data when necessary. The use of data always requires a client or treatment relationship, and the right of access is only granted to persons who need access in order to perform their work tasks. The viewing of data is recorded in logs so that its use can be monitored.

If you give your consent to data sharing, various service providers will be able to access your data

Social welfare and health care service providers can view your data in their patient or client register without your separate consent. For example, patient data stored in a wellbeing services county can be used in the health care services of that wellbeing services county.

When you give your consent to data sharing, your data will also be available to other service providers wherever you manage your affairs at any given time. The consent to data sharing can be used for the transfer of data both through the Kanta Services and in other ways, such as on paper.

Your prescription data can be used without your separate consent in treatment situations and when you collect prescribed medication from a pharmacy.

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You can restrict the use of your data

With a denial of consent to data sharing, you can specify which of your prescription, patient and client data may not be disclosed to other social welfare and health care service providers to view. If you deny the disclosure of some of your patient and client data, these data will only be visible to the service provider to whose register the data belongs.

You can give consent to data sharing or submit a denial of consent to data sharing in MyKanta, or when you visit social welfare or health care services.

Use of health care data in Uusimaa

Public healthcare service providers in the region of Uusimaa are allowed to view your patient data in each other's registers once you have confirmed that you have received this information about the Kanta Services. You can also use a denial of consent to data sharing to restrict the use of your patient data in Uusimaa.