



## How we're using your information in the PAFA project

### Information leaflet

#### Will my details be kept confidential?

Yes. The research team and regulatory authorities follow strict ethical and legal guidance concerning your confidentiality. Any information we have about you will be handled in confidence. All information recorded will be coded and the information used for analysis will remain anonymous.

#### How will PAFA use my information?

Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust is the sponsor for this study based in the UK. We will only be using information from you in order to undertake this study.

Manchester University NHS Foundation Trust, the University of Manchester, the University of Southampton, the Isle of Wight NHS Trust and the Food Standards Agency are joint data (information) controllers for this study. This means we are all responsible for looking after your information and using it properly. Your rights to access, change or move your information are limited, as we need to manage it in specific ways in order for the research to be reliable and accurate.

If you withdraw from the study, we will keep the information about you that we have already got. To safeguard your rights, we will use the minimum personally-identifiable information possible.

Your GP practice will use your name and contact details to contact you about the research study, and make sure that relevant information about the study is recorded for your care, and to oversee the quality of the study. Your GP will keep identifiable information about you from this study for 5 years after the study has finished. Also, your non-identifiable information will be analysed at The Amsterdam University Medical Centre (AMC) in the Netherlands, a study partner. The AMC researchers will not be able to identify or contact you.

Only your GP will have access to information that identifies you. You will only be re-contacted if you have agreed to be contacted for Stage 2. The people who analyse the information will not be able to identify you and will not be able to find out your name or contact details.