



# EMIF Deliverable 10.4: First draft of the EMIF Ethical Code of Practice Executive summary

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## Executive Summary

This Ethical Code of Practice (ECoP) has been developed in order to help ensure that the EMIF Platform and Services are used in ways that comply with legislation and policies on data protection and confidentiality, that EMIF upholds best practices in the protection of personal privacy and that it promotes best practices in the conduct of clinical research using health data, for the public good. This ECoP builds on, and fully complies with, the IMI Code of Practice on secondary use of medical data in scientific research projects. The ECoP provides a more detailed specification of how the EMIF project and future EMIF service users may comply with the IMI Code of Practice.

It has been reviewed internally within the project by several academic and industry personnel with expertise in information governance and privacy protection, and is now being shared more widely within the project and with the EMIF Ethical Advisory Board. It is subject to revision during these consultation phases, and may be further revised in the light of early adoption experience within EMIF. It will later be circulated amongst other European research initiatives (such as other IMI projects), privacy protection officers and patient associations for feedback.

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