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The New Collaborative Learning Trust vision is to create a culture of protecting privacy and personal data. Personal data is information which 'relates to and identifies a living individual'. Personal data should be adequate, relevant and limited to what is necessary.

WHO DOES THIS NOTICE APPLY TO?

This privacy notice applies to anyone making an application to any of the 6th form colleges under the New Collaborative Learning Trust.

DATA CONTROLLER AND COLLECTION

The organisation responsible for looking after your personal data (Data Controller) is the New Collaborative Learning Trust. Student application data for each college under the trust is managed centrally at New College Pontefract.

WHY DO WE COLLECT AND USE STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION?

We use student applicant data to assess an applicant's suitability for a programme of study, to assess if we are able to provide appropriate support, care and guidance, to ensure we meet all statutory requirements of SEND, safeguarding and equality & diversity. Our legal basis for processing is mostly

- **GDPR Article 6(1)b** - Processing is necessary for the performance of a contract to which the data subject is party or in order to take steps at the request of the data subject prior to entering into a contract.

There are also a number of cases where information is required for a legal purposes or to fulfil our legal duty, or or because it protects students and their welfare. In these case the legal basis would be:

- **GDPR Article 6(1)c** - Processing is necessary for compliance with a legal obligation to which the controller is subject
- **GDPR Article 6(1)d** - Processing is necessary in order to protect the vital interests of the data subject or of another natural person

We do not undertake any other form of automated decision making. We use our admissions policy as a guide to ensure students meet the entry requirements set for each study programme offered, final decisions are made by staff at the college.

CATEGORIES OF STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION

As part of your application to college we hold information to help us process your application and plan support. Information that we collect, hold and share include:

- Personal information (such as name and address)
- Characteristics (such as ethnicity, language, nationality, country of birth and free school meal eligibility)
- Residential status (usually to confirm whether or not an applicant has lived in the UK for the past 3 years)
- Relevant medical information, special educational needs information
- Safeguarding information relating to the applicant
- Information relating to criminal convictions and cautions
- Assessment information (such as predicted and actual grades)

COLLECTING STUDENT APPLICANT INFORMATION

The Learning Records Service will provide us with a unique learner number (ULN) and may provide with us with details about the applicant's learning or qualifications.

STORING STUDENT APPLICANT DATA (HOW LONG IS DATA HELD FOR)

We will hold all your application information for 2 years, in accordance with data protection legislation and current best practice. If a student enrolls at an NCLT college, this 'Student Applicant Privacy Notice' is superseded by the 'Student Privacy Notice'.

WHO DO WE SHARE STUDENT INFORMATION WITH?

We routinely share student information with the local authority and the current school of the applicant. Where necessary we may need to share information with health related/safeguarding services. In some cases we may request confidential references from an applicant's previous school or college. Data is shared where software is provided by third party to enable us to process applications. Where this is the case we will ensure we have a contract and/or a data sharing agreement in place to safeguard your data.

Otherwise, before sharing information with any other third party, we will either obtain your consent or establish that the sharing is necessary (which includes ensuring that the data shared is kept to a minimum), fair and otherwise within the law. We will not pass your information to third parties for direct marketing purposes.

REQUESTING ACCESS TO YOUR PERSONAL DATA

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Under data protection legislation students have the right to request access to information about them that we hold. To make a request for this, please email the New Collaborative Trust's Data Protection Officer data.protection@nclt.ac.uk. In most cases you also have the right to:

- object to processing of personal data
- prevent processing for the purpose of direct marketing
- in certain circumstances, have inaccurate personal data rectified, blocked, erased or destroyed
- claim compensation for damages caused by a breach of the Data Protection regulations

If you have a concern about the way we are collecting or using your personal data, you should raise your concern with us in the first instance, or directly to the Information Commissioner's Office at <https://ico.org.uk/concerns/>

DATA PROTECTION OFFICER

If you would like to discuss, or require clarification regarding this privacy notice, please contact the NCLT Data Protection Officer. Enquiries can be forwarded to data.protection@nclt.ac.uk or by calling 01977 702139.