

# Flowchart for the re-use of statistics from healthcare dossiers on behalf of scientific research

This flowchart concerns the re-use of healthcare statistics labeled *special information* in the context of privacy legislation.

A legal framework for the re-use of dossier statistics has been established and registered in the Wet Geneeskundige Behandelings- overeenkomst (WGBO) (Medical Treatment Agreement Act), article 7:457 and 7:458. The sharing of identifiable or coded data is subject to the Wet Bescherming Persoonsgegevens (WBP) (The Personal Data Protection Act). The METC assessment of research is discussed in the Wet medisch-wetenschappelijk onderzoek met mensen (WMO) (Medical Research Involving Human Subjects Act). Self-regulation was implemented via the Code of Good Conduct drawn up by the Stichting Federatie van Medisch Wetenschappelijke Verenigingen (FMWV) (Foundation for the Federation of Scientific Medical Associations). This code (last version: 2004) translates the legal requirements into an explicit code of conduct and is currently being revised.

