

Information about the Kanta Services for social welfare and healthcare service clients

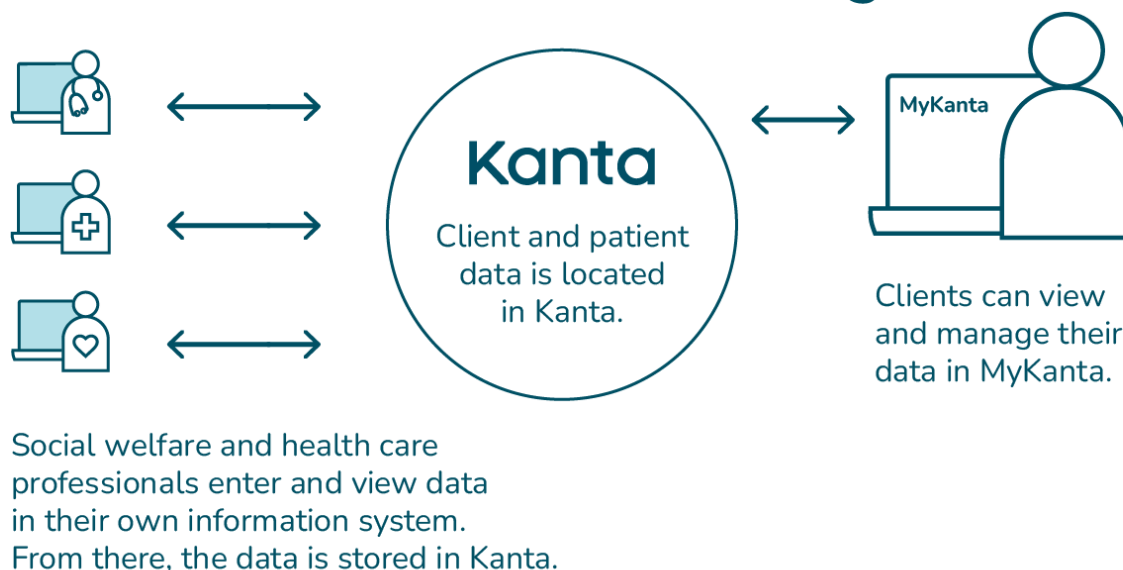
Social welfare and healthcare professionals are able to offer you the best possible service when they have access to up-to-date information on the services you have received previously. For this reason, your prescriptions, patient data and client data are stored in the Kanta Services.

Your information is secure with Kanta Services

Kanta Services, or Kanta, is a set of national information system services for social welfare and healthcare. 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.

Kanta allows your data to be transferred securely, so that they can be accessed by the professionals managing your affairs. You can view your own data in MyKanta.

How information moves through Kanta



Your data may only be used when it is necessary

Social welfare and healthcare professionals only use your data when necessary. Your data may only be used if the professional accessing them is entitled to do so on the basis of a client or treatment relationship or work duties. The viewing of data is recorded in logs so that its use can be monitored.

You can consent to the sharing of your data with other service providers.

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

healthcare services of that wellbeing services county. Similarly, client data from social welfare services in a wellbeing services county can be used by the social welfare services in that wellbeing services county.

If you give your consent to the sharing of social services client data, your data will be available to professionals who provide your care. This means that your data may be disclosed between wellbeing services counties and between public and private healthcare services, for example. Similarly, your data recorded in social welfare services can be shared, for example, between social services in two different wellbeing services counties.

Please note that there are two separate instances of consent to the sharing of patient data and social services client data.

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

You can update previously granted consent to data sharing

From the beginning of 2024, consenting to data sharing has also allowed the disclosure of data that is not included in Kanta. For example, data recorded on paper may also be shared between wellbeing services counties or between a public and private social welfare or healthcare provider.

If you have given your consent to data sharing in 2023 or earlier, we recommend that you update it in MyKanta. By doing so, you consent to sharing your data even if it is not in Kanta.

You can restrict the use of your data

A denial of consent to share data allows you to specify which of your prescription or patient data cannot be shared with other healthcare providers. Setting up a denial of consent to sharing social services client data allows you to restrict the sharing of your client data with social welfare service providers.

If you set up a denial of consent to the sharing of specific patient data or social services client data, it will only be visible to the service provider, such as a wellbeing services county that has stored the data in its register.

You can give or update your consent and set up a denial of consent to share data in MyKanta. You can also manage your instances of consent and denials of consent in person when visiting social welfare and healthcare services.

Use of patient data in Uusimaa

Public healthcare service providers in the region of Uusimaa are allowed to use your patient data in each other's registers once you have confirmed that you have received information about the Kanta Services, which details how your data are used.

You can also use a denial of consent to share data to restrict the use of your patient data in Uusimaa.

Read more

More information on the use of patient and client data: kanta.fi/en/data-usage-and-consents