

The Health Archives Group acts as a representative body for archivists and records managers working in the health sector in the UK and Ireland. Membership is open to all with an interest in health archives and records wherever they are based, and is free of charge.

The Group was founded in the late 1980s. It is an independent body, although it has a formal link to the Society of Archivists as an affiliate of the latter's Specialist Repositories Group. Its day to day activities are undertaken through a committee, the members of which are elected by the membership at the Group's annual general meeting. It takes forward work on specific issues through ad hoc sub-groups, each of which is led by a committee member.

The aims of the Group include facilitating networking and sharing of information amongst its members, raising the profile of records and archival issues in the health sector, promoting the use of health archives and collaborating with other professional bodies on issues of shared concern. The Group holds meetings open to all members three times per year.

The Group's aims and objectives and the terms of the reference of its committee are agreed by members at the annual general meeting. Any matters fundamental to the Group's identity and functions are subject to a vote of all members, at the annual general meeting or by e-mail vote at any time.

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