Payments draft v0.5 – April 2022

As NHS England considers Palantir Everywhere acting as its all seeing eye, what is the alternative to Palantir and the *status quo* for GP payments?

Palantir will be toxic to public confidence, especially around GP data and care.data 3.

NHS England and NHS Digital have not yet made a public statement about openSafely after Covid – it appears they want to make the decision whether (or not) to use Palantir first.

The alternative is for JGPITC and NHSE to agree to **use openSafely for payments**, and to design openSafely queries and reports which replicate the outputs of the GPES system both today and tomorrow. Because those queries can all be seen by authorised parties there can be complete confidence that the data is safe, and that the payments are as agreed.

Whether this is run on the existing openSafely Covid-research job server or a new "payments only" job server is an implementation detail that would be a decision for others.

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