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Doctors angry over secret filming by patients – 19th June 2025

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Hospital workers do not want videos of themselves on social media. One worker took a photo for a patient. The worker then saw that the patient secretly took recordings of her. The worker added: "We wear name badges, so our names will be visible in any video. It makes people feel very uncomfortable."

Level 1

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Hospital workers are worried about the videos. They do not want them on social media. A worker spoke about this problem. She said: "We had a member of staff who agreed to take photos for a patient, but when the patient handed over her phone, the member of staff saw that the patient had also been [secretly] recording her." She added: "We wear name badges, so our names will be visible in any video. It makes people feel very uncomfortable."

Level 2

Doctors in the UK are angry because of people filming them on smartphones. A medical organization said patients are secretly using phones to film their hospital visits and their talks with doctors. The videos are then put on social media sites. Doctors have called for a ban on video recording in hospitals. A spokesperson for doctors said the videos affected many health workers. He said there were privacy concerns. He told reporters: "As healthcare professionals, we need to think: Does that recording breach the [privacy] of other patients?"

Medical staff and hospital workers are worried about the videos. They do not want to have videos of them on social media. A union worker spoke about this problem. She said: "We had a member of staff who agreed to take photos for a patient, but when the patient handed over her phone, the member of staff saw that the patient had also been [secretly] recording her." She added: "We wear name badges, so our names will be visible in any video. It makes people feel very uncomfortable." Putting material online also risks making public the private medical data of patients.

Level 3

Many doctors in the UK are angry because of people filming them on their smartphones. The Society of Radiographers (SoR), a medical organization in the UK, said patients are secretly using their phones to film their hospital visits and talks with doctors. The videos are then posted on social media sites. The SoR has called for a ban on video recording in hospitals and clinics. Dean Rogers, director of industrial strategy, said this was a problem that affected many health workers. He said there could also be privacy concerns for other people. He told reporters: "As healthcare professionals, we need to think: Does that recording breach the confidentiality of other patients?"

Medical staff and hospital workers say they are worried about the videos. They do not want to have videos of them uploaded on social media. Ashley d'Aquino, a therapeutic radiographer and union worker, spoke about this problem. She said: "We had a member of staff who agreed to take photos for a patient, but when the patient handed over her phone, the member of staff saw that the patient had also been [secretly] recording her, to publish on a cancer blog." She added: "We wear name badges, so our names will be visible in any video. It makes people feel very uncomfortable and anxious." Putting material online also risks making public the private medical data of patients.