FOI 2734

Date 28/11/2023

Dear Requester,

Thank you for your Freedom of Information request. Please note, this is a cross-site response for Bedford site and Luton site.

You asked:

I would like to request the following information please:

1. The number of reported patient falls in the emergency department(s) in 2021-2022 and 2022-2023

Bedford Hospital – Total 21

9 Falls from January 2021 – January 2022

12 Falls from January 2022 – January 2023

Luton & Dunstable Hospital – Total 19

8 Falls from January 2021 – January 2022

11 Falls from January 2022 – January 2023

1. The number of reported patient falls from/involving a patient trolley or bed in the emergency department(s) in 2021-2022 and 2022-2023

Across 2021 – 2023, there were a total of 5 Inpatient Falls from a Trolley, 4 Patient Falls from a Trolley, and 2 Patient Falls from Bed. This is a combined figure from both Bedford Hospital and Luton & Dunstable.

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 Yours sincerely,

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