



FOI 2973

Date 09/04/2024

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:

The number of Datix incidents logged involving patient misidentification, broken down by category of harm if possible, for each of the five following calendar years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

Answer:

Number of Patient identificati on/id bracelet incidents reported by Year	No harm level recorded	Low Harm - Any incident that required extra observatio n or minor treatment and caused minimal harm	Moderate physical harm	No Harm - Any incident that ran to completion but no harm occurred	No physical harm	Grand Total
2019		3		62		65
2020		1		48		49
2021				43		43
2022	2	2		32	13	49
2023	5		1		44	50
Grand Total	7	6	1	185	57	256

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Please note that the Trust has a formal internal review and complaints process which is managed by the Information Governance Manager/Data Protection Officer. Should you have any concerns





with our response, you can make a formal request for an internal review. Requests for internal review should be submitted within three months of the date of receipt of the response to your original letter, and should be addressed to: dataprotectionofficer@ldh.nhs.uk. This option is available to you for up to three calendar months from the date your response was issued.

If you are not satisfied with the Trust review under the Freedom of Information Act 2000 you may apply directly to the Information Commissioners Officer (ICO) for a review of your appeal decision. The ICO can be contacted at: ICO, Wycliffe House, Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF www.ico.org.uk

Yours sincerely,

FOI Officer

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