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Date Received: 12th December 2023

Response Due: 12th January 2024

Date: 2nd January 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

With reference to your request for information received on 12th December 2023, I can confirm in accordance with Section 1 (1) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000 that we do hold the information you have requested. A response to each part of your request is provided below.

In your request you asked:

- 1. The number of reported patient falls in the emergency department(s) in financial year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023**
 - 21-22 A&E Falls – 36
 - 22-23 A&E Falls – 55

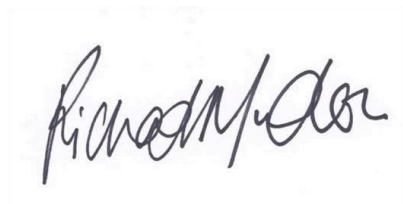
- 2. The number of reported patient falls from/involving a patient trolley or bed in the emergency department(s) in financial year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023**
 - 21-22 A&E falls Involving a bed/ trolley – 10
 - 22-23 A&E falls involving a bed/ trolley – 33

Please note that answers to question 2 may involve falls from chair, toilet, commode or hoist due to the following sub-categories being used-

- Attempting to get into bed unaided
- Attempting to get out of bed unaided
- Patient slid from bed/chair/commode/toilet/hoist to floor
- Climbing over cot sides to get out of bed
- Fall from bed/trolley to floor
- Found on Floor near Chair/Bed/Commode

If you are not entirely satisfied with this response, please do not hesitate to contact the Information Governance Department via the email address provided. If we do not hear from you within 40 days, we will assume that we have been able to accommodate your request under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Richard Mundon". The signature is written in a cursive style and is centered within a white rectangular box.

Richard Mundon
Director of Strategy and Planning

PLEASE NOTE:

If you are unhappy with the service you have received in relation to your request and wish to make a complaint or request a review of our decision, you should write to: Information Governance Department, Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust, Suite 9, Buckingham Row, Brick Kiln Lane, Wigan, WN1 1XX.

If you are not content with the outcome of your complaint, you may apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision at:

The Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
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Helpline number: 0303 123 111