



Ref: FOIA Reference 2023/24-615

Date: 19<sup>th</sup> December 2023

Email [foi@uhnm.nhs.uk](mailto:foi@uhnm.nhs.uk)

Dear

I am writing to acknowledge receipt of your email dated 11th December 2023 requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) regarding falls

As of 1<sup>st</sup> November 2014 University Hospitals of North Midlands NHS Trust (UHNM) manages two hospital sites – Royal Stoke University Hospital, and County Hospital (Stafford). Therefore the response below is for the two sites combined from that date where appropriate.

**Q1 The number of reported patient falls in the emergency department(s) in financial year 2021-2022 and 2022-2023**

A1 See below:  
2021-22: 240 falls reported  
2022-23: 256 falls reported

**Q2 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**

A2 See below:  
2021-22: 98 falls reported as from/involving bed/trolley  
2022-23: 122 falls reported as from/involving bed/trolley

N.B. Where falls are not witnessed, it is not always possible to ascertain the exact circumstances of the fall.

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This letter confirms the completion of this request. A log of this request and a copy of this letter will be held by the Trust.

If you have any queries related to the response provided please in the first instance contact my office.

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The Information Commissioner may be contacted at:

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Yours,



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