

**FOI 0223/2022 Response**

**I am completing a study on the management of the fallen patient within NHS Trusts across the country and I would be grateful if you could provide me with the following information as part of a Freedom of Information request.**

**1) Within your trust who is responsible for ensuring that the trust have the appropriate equipment for the management of falls? This should not be confused with a procurement team purchasing the equipment more who makes the clinical decision. (Often this will sit with a Manual Handling Advisor or Falls lead)**

The Trust is unable to provide a response to this query as we do not routinely release staff members information for those under a band 8c role.

**2) Within your trust, if known, please could you confirm the number of falls (regardless of the reason for them being on site) reported in total for 2019, 2020, 2021 and 2022 to current date of recorded data.**

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Incident Count</b> |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| 2019        | 490                   |
| 2020        | 496                   |
| 2021        | 443                   |
| 2022        | 470                   |

Please note:

- The above table contains the total number of falls related incidents at a BSMHFT site between 01/01/2019 to 29/12/2022.
- Falls incidents can be pertaining to both patients and staff.

**3) Of those falls, if known, please can you confirm the number of falls that were deemed as non-injury.**

| <b>Year</b> | <b>Incident Count</b> |
|-------------|-----------------------|
| 2019        | 319                   |
| 2020        | 285                   |
| 2021        | 277                   |
| 2022        | 292                   |

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**4) At any site within your trust, do you have a falls response team/bleep where a designated person(s) respond to a reported fall.**

No

**5) Does your trust have any of the following equipment within the trust and if so how many**

- **Flat Lifting Kit – Mangar Rhino, Hovertech Hoverjac, GBUK Banana Flojac**
- **Mechanical Lifting Aid – Liftup Raizer Chair**
- **Air Assisted Lifting Aid – Mangar Elk, Camel or Eagle**
- **Any other equipment used for the retrieval of the fallen patient**

The Trust has the following equipment.

- 1 x Mangar Elk
- 5 x Arjo Maxi Move