

FOI REF: 25/466

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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT

I am responding to your request for information under the Freedom of Information Act. The answers to your specific questions are as follows:

We are undertaking a survey regarding the management pathway of elderly patients (>65 years old) presenting with trauma in the Emergency Department. I am emailing you with regard to trauma protocols for silver trauma patients.

We would like to know the following information:

- 1) Does your hospital have a guideline for silver trauma patients (>65 years old) attending ED?**

No.

- 2) What are the ED's indications for initiating a silver trauma call and requesting a trauma CT for elderly patients at your hospital?**

We do not have Elderly trauma calls.

- 3) Which specialties are called for silver trauma in ED? Does it include General surgery, Orthopaedics, Anaesthetics and Medicine of the elderly?**

Adult trauma team. ED, Anaesthetics, General Surgery, Trauma & Orthopaedics. No Medicine for the Elderly.

- 4) Does your hospital have a guideline for assessing delirium in silver trauma patients (>65 years old)?**

Delirium assessment is part of clerking proforma under Medicine.

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5) Do all the silver trauma patients get reviewed by medicine of the elderly on the ward if admitted?

No.

6) Do you have a guideline for assessment of the silver trauma patients on the ward by medicine of the elderly?

No.

7) Can you please attach your hospital's guidelines for silver trauma patients in your reply?

Not applicable.

If I can be of any further assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me.

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Yours sincerely

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