

FOI REF: 25/543

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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:

**1. The number of patient safety events involving a physician associate or anaesthesia associate in the last five years. (Broken down by calendar years: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)**

**1a) Broken down by types of injuries resulting from these safety events. (Broken down by same years as above)**

2020	0
2021	0
2022	0
2023	2
2024	0

**1b) Broken down by injury causes. (Broken down by same years as above)**

2023      Monitoring - Lack of/delay in observations/inadequate assessment of patient.

Violence/Aggression - Physical assault by patient

**1c) Broken down by injury severity (no harm, slight, moderate, severe, catastrophic). (Broken down by same years as above)**

2023      Severity 1 None/Near Miss  
Severity 2 Minor

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

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The Information Commissioner's Office  
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Yours sincerely

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