

Title: Management of Fallen Patients

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

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)*

Eastern Services: Moving and Handling Advisor.
Northern Services: Back Care Team.

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

Answer: Please see table above.

Number of falls	Year	No Harm	Total
Eastern Services	2019	1090	1635
	2020	1193	1500
	2021	1298	1606
	2022	1291	1763
Northern Services	2019	454	588
	2020	474	644
	2021	447	618
	2022	528	740

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

Answer: Please see table above.

- 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.*

Answer: No.

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

- o *Flat Lifting Kit* – Yes, Hovertech Hoverjac and Scoop.
- o *Mechanical Lifting Aid* – Yes, Liftup Raizer Chair.

- o *Air Assisted Lifting Aid* – Yes, Mangar Elk and Camel.
- o *Any other equipment used for the retrieval of the fallen patient* - Hoists/ slings numerous per department. Octo spreader bar.

Answer: Please see above, the number of the above equipment is a moving picture as we procure and de-commission new and old equipment.