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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013353 – Thefts from patients

This request concerns thefts from patients in NHS hospitals.

- 1)
 - a) Please state the number of thefts from patients at your hospital. - 77 for the years requested
 - b) For each occasion if possible, please provide a brief description of what happened and the value of items stolen. -

Please provide information for the following calendar years:

- i) 2012
- ii) 2013
- iii) 2014
- iv) 2015
- v) 2016
- vi) 2017 to date.

There is no indication from these reports who stole the items from the patients, whether it was another patient, a visitor or a member of staff. The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust works continuously to try to ensure a safe environment for our patients, staff and visitors. Our security team work hard to raise awareness with staff and patients about issues such as looking after their personal belongings. All patients receive a leaflet on admission that gives advice on securing personal belongings whilst in hospital highlighting information on placing all items of value or significant amounts of cash in the Ward safe as a matter of Policy -Please see the Your Stay in Hospital booklet, under the following link, from The Trust's website: <http://dudleygroup.nhs.uk/wpcontent/uploads/2014/02/yourstayinhospital3.pdf>

Incident date	Sub Category	Description	Value
06/01/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Money missing from bedside table	Unknown
09/01/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Money missing from Patient's purse	£24
12/01/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's money stolen	Unknown
13/02/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patients mobile phone stolen	Unknown
20/02/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's money, credit cards and camera missing.	Unknown
08/04/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient reported purse missing containing money and credit card	unknown
27/04/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient reported purse missing	Unknown
19/05/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Theft of money	unknown
08/07/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's purse stolen	unknown
13/07/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Theft of Money	umknown
27/07/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's purse stolen from bag	unknown

09/08/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Purse missing	Unknown
21/08/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Purse missing	Unknown
28/08/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's money missing from bag	unknown
11/09/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's wristwatch missing	unknown
14/09/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Theft of money	Unknown
27/09/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patients clothing and bank cards stolen	Unknown
09/10/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Purse missing	Unknown
30/10/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient had money missing from her purse	unknown
28/12/2012	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Relative of patient asked to speak to me re: loss of patients mobile phone	Unknown
03/02/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient stated that she was missing her handbag which contained driving license,diary and credit cards and cash.	Unknown
30/03/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Theft from patient	unknown
24/05/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's wallet missing	Unknown
17/07/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patients daughter stated that her mother had previously had four rings on her wedding finger and now there was only three	Unknown
27/09/2013	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Cash stolen from patient	Unknown
18/01/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Money stolen from patient	Unknown
15/02/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patients sister reported that there was a ring missing from patients finger	Unknown
26/04/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patients Moblie telephone missing from patients property.	unknown
13/06/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient informed staff that his mobile phone went missing	Unknown
10/07/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's belongings missing	Unknown
24/07/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	relatives of patient reported that 3 rings were missing from the left hand	unknown
01/08/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's wallet missing	Unknown
04/09/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's mobile phone is missing.	Unknown

05/09/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient reported to nursing staff that she could not find her purse	Unknown
21/10/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's belongings missing	Unknown
09/12/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Pt woke up and her mobile phone was missing from her table.	unknown
10/12/2014	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's money taken from purse	£50
16/03/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient had two purses stolen	Unknown
25/03/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's phone stolen.	unknown
20/04/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	PT daughter reported that patient's purse is missing.	Unknown
28/07/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Theft of ring from bag.	Unknown
01/08/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Some patient's money was found to have gone missing from the safe in the unit office	unknown
19/08/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's belongings missing	Unknown
22/08/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient relative states 120 pounds has gone missing and also a further 10 pounds	£130
19/09/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient has stated that the patient in the cubicle opposite has stolen her purse from her handbag	Unknown
20/11/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Accessed Unit Safe to return property to Patient to find that her purse has been taken from the safe.	Unknown
31/12/2015	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient mobile phone has gone missing	Unknown
02/01/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient reports that she has had 120 pounds taken from her purse since admission.	£120
02/02/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient states that £102.00 in her purse had been taken.	£102
20/02/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patients money was missing on ward. Patient seen it at 22:30 last night.	Unknown
11/04/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Informed by relatives that patient had two bottles of perfume gone missing	Unknown
12/05/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient claims to have had £120.00 stolen from his wallet.	£120
18/05/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	pt reported 10 pounds and some change missing	£10
25/07/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient states he has lost his money whilst in the wards £120	£120

03/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patients daughter advised me patients purse was missing out of her handbag.	Unknown
05/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	pt took can of larger from other patients bag	Unknown
08/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patients daughter explains that her mom has not got her wedding and engagement rings.	Unknown
10/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient states that her purse has gone missing from her handbag which contained £80 in cash.	£80
10/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient alerted us that her purse containing £180 had gone missing from her handbag.	£180
14/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patients daughter stating that her mother's wedding ring was missing.	Unknown
15/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Daughter that patients rings are missing off her finger, 1 wedding ring, 1 engagement ring.	Unknown
24/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient disclosed £70 had gone missing from his wallet on the ward.	£70
24/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's earrings had been removed a few days ago; she said that they were diamonds.	Unknown
28/08/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient alerted staff nurse that his watch has gone missing.	Unknown
26/10/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient informed CSW today she has lost £275 cash from her purse.	£275
05/11/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient said she had lost £120, her friend also confirmed he had bought this money in for the patient. patient now saying its £140 that is missing.	Between £120 and £140
12/11/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient had noticed purse was missing	Unknown
25/11/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient has reported that £20 has been stolen from her purse	£20
01/12/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient states she put her ring and money in purse have gone	Unknown
16/12/2016	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient's family state that patients purse with £5 in had gone missing.	£5
05/01/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient stated 2 x yellow metal bands insitu to left ring	Unknown

		finger now only 1 x metal band was in place	
05/01/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	patient refused to put substantial amount of money in the safe. Said there was £740 but after counting it was £480 and a bank book.	£740
07/01/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patients son stated that his father is missing his wallet with approx. £800 in.	£800
12/01/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patients wallet has gone missing possibly stolen with £80 in.	£80
02/02/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Patient declared to CSW that her money had been taken from her purse.	Unknown
13/02/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	Pt's wife called the ward after she got home to say that her husband had not got his Gold Chain on.	Unknown
22/02/2017	(FC) THEFT - Actual/Alleged	On attending to the patient, myself and the other nurse in charge of the station was told that his wallet had gone missing from his trouser pocket.	£20-£40