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Dear

Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000.

Request

Information request:

I would like to understand the number of reported incidences from January 2020 to December 2023, within the Trust of patient harm or even death because of poor airway management. These should include:

- Damage to a patient's skin when removing the surgical tape used to hold the airway device in place (if tape is used).
- Skin damage i.e. pressure sores as a result of using cotton ties to secure the airway.
- Death of a patient as a result of inadvertent movement or extubation whilst maintaining patient comfort.
- Death or cardiac arrests of patients due to undetected oesophageal intubation.
- Hospital acquired infection as a result of using tapes that are non-sterile.

Response

The Trust has had 0 incidents within the specified time period.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

Information Governance Manager **Trust Headquarters** Russell's Hall Hospital Dudley West Midlands DY1 2HQ

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

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