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FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST FOI/013873 – IV Potassium Therapy

Request - The number of Patients given Potassium Intravenously and Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years.

The average, least and most amount of IV Potassium Therapy given Intravenously in the last 5 and 10 years. (The amount of IV bags given per individual)

The average, least and most amount of IV Potassium Therapy given Intravenously AND orally in the last 5 and 10 years. (The amount of IV bags given per individual)

The number of Patients given Potassium Intravenously and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years who were later discharged from Hospital.

The number of Patients given Potassium Intravenous and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years who passed away while in Hospital.

From the number of Patients given Potassium Intravenous and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years who passed while in Hospital, how many bags of Potassium IV had they been given, the least, the most and the average?

How many fatalities have occurred from being given Potassium Intravenous and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years either it's solely or as a contribution to death?

How many patients have been clinically flooded after being given Potassium Intravenous and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years and have had this registered/reported as a Critical Clinical Incident?

How many fatalities have occurred from being given Potassium Intravenous and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years either it's solely or as a contribution to death have also had death registered/reported as a Critical Clinical Incident?

On what wards/ward types have the reported Critical Clinical Incidents from being clinically flooded or fatalities after having Potassium Intravenous and/or Oral Potassium in the last 5 and 10 years?

The information requested is not held centrally in an electronic format. Information would be recorded in individual patient notes and information held within patient notes is not accessible under the FOI Act. Incidents however are recorded on our electronic incident reporting database, but there are no sub specialty drop down boxes available to run queries for Potassium that would allow the Trust to provide this information