

Freedom of Information request 016091

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1. I would like to request any data you hold on falls from the last 5 years? (Question 2 and 3 are and expansion of this question)
2. I am looking for the total number of falls sorted by hospital from the last 5 years?

Year	No of falls
2017	1194
2018	1012
2019	1030
2020	1218
2021	1131

3. I am looking for the total number of falls sorted by ward from the last 3 years? – see table below

	2019	2020	2021
RHH - Ambulatory Emergency Care (AEC)	1	1	3
RHH - Clinical Decisions Unit (CDU)	1	N/A	N/A
RHH - Coronary Care Unit/Post Coronary Care Unit	33	46	46
RHH - Critical Care Unit (ICU/SHDU)	5	3	7
RHH - CT Imaging	2	0	2
RHH - Discharge Lounge	6	0	1
RHH - Emergency Department	26	31	66
RHH - Emergency Surgical Hub	N/A	N/A	26
RHH - Endoscopy	N/A	1	1
RHH - Forget Me Not Unit	25	45	34
RHH - Frailty Assessment Unit (FAU)	46	35	2
RHH - GI Unit	2	1	2
RHH - Inpatient Therapy	2	3	2
RHH - Main Theatres	1	2	1
RHH - Maternity (Antenatal)	0	2	0
RHH - Maternity (Obstetric Unit)	4	7	3
RHH - Medical High Dependency Unit (MHDU)	5	2	1
RHH - MRI	0	1	2
RHH - Neonatal Unit	0	0	1
RHH - Paediatric Emergency Department	1	0	1
RHH - Renal Unit (CAPD)	1	0	1
RHH - Renal Unit (Haemodialysis)	1	3	3
RHH - Surgical Assessment Unit	16	28	N/A
RHH - Ward A2 (Medical Ward)	N/A	N/A	11

RHH - Ward AMU1 - Nursing	138	169	139
RHH - Ward B1	19	29	18
RHH - Ward B2 (Hip)	52	41	25
RHH - Ward B2 (Trauma)	38	42	34
RHH - Ward B3	53	70	72
RHH - Ward B4a (Stations 1 & 2)	26	28	35
RHH - Ward B4b (Stations 3 & 4)	38	31	33
RHH - Ward B6 (Frailty Short Stay)	N/A	14	44
RHH - Ward C1a (Diabetes/Endocrine)	28	41	51
RHH - Ward C1b (Renal)	41	46	59
RHH - Ward C2	3	8	12
RHH - Ward C3 (Elderly Care)	55	76	68
RHH - Ward C4 (Haematology)	36	34	33
RHH - Ward C5a (Respiratory - Stations 1 & 2)	42	39	28
RHH - Ward C5b (Respiratory - Stations 3 & 4)	33	39	37
RHH - Ward C6	12	22	15
RHH - Ward C7	62	86	96
RHH - Ward C8	124	153	69
RHH - X-Ray/Imaging	0	2	1

Questions 2 & 3 – are for inpatients at Russells Hall Hospital

4. Is there any Falls Prevention Equipment currently in use? If yes, who was the supplier?

- No, the Trust no longer purchase sensor alarms

5. I would also like to request NHS email addresses falls leads/groups within the trust? Or the person responsible for reducing the number of falls within the trust?

- Fall prevention lead is Catherine Lane, The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust, Russells Hall Hospital, Dudley, West Midlands DY1 2HQ.

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6. From the last 5 years on average how much does the trust pay out in compensation claims in relation to falls? - In the past 5 years we have identified 11 claims, 1 of which is still open.

Therefore, of the 10 claims settled / closed within the last 5 years the Trust has paid out on average £16,000.

7. Can you also provide the number of patients that absconded from the wards and which wards were affected for the last 3 years? (absconded – a inpatient that has left a ward without informing a staff member, making them a missing person), see table below

	2019	2020	2021	Total
Corbett - Orthopaedic and Fracture O/P Clinic	0	1	0	1
Corbett - Theatres (Day Surgery Unit)	2	0	1	3
Podiatry	0	1	0	1
RHH - Ambulatory Emergency Care (AEC)	2	0	1	3
RHH - Coronary Care Unit/Post Coronary Care Unit	2	5	1	8
RHH - Critical Care Unit (ICU/SHDU)	1	0	1	2
RHH - Emergency Department	20	18	44	82
RHH - Emergency Surgical Hub	0	0	7	7
RHH - Forget Me Not Unit	0	3	0	3
RHH - Frailty Assessment Unit (FAU)	0	1	0	1
RHH - General Surgery	1	0	0	1
RHH - Maternity (Obstetric Unit)	2	1	2	5

RHH - Maternity Ultrasound Department	1	0	0	1
RHH - Medical High Dependency Unit (MHDU)	4	1	2	7
RHH - Paediatric Emergency Department	0	1	0	1
RHH - Renal Unit (Haemodialysis)	0	0	1	1
RHH - Surgical Assessment Unit	4	1	0	5
RHH - Ward AMU1 - Nursing	16	30	16	62
RHH - Ward AMU2 - Nursing	4	2	3	9
RHH - Ward B1	0	1	0	1
RHH - Ward B2 (Trauma)	1	0	2	3
RHH - Ward B3	3	1	2	6
RHH - Ward B4a (Stations 1 & 2)	1	8	0	9
RHH - Ward B4b (Stations 3 & 4)	0	3	5	8
RHH - Ward B5	0	3	0	3
RHH - Ward C1a (Diabetes/Endocrine)	1	0	0	1
RHH - Ward C2	7	1	2	10
RHH - Ward C3 (Elderly Care)	1	0	0	1
RHH - Ward C4 (Haematology)	0	1	1	2
RHH - Ward C5a (Respiratory - Stations 1 & 2)	1	1	0	2
RHH - Ward C5b (Respiratory - Stations 3 & 4)	2	0	1	3
RHH - Ward C6	8	1	1	10
RHH - Ward C7	5	2	13	20
RHH - Ward C8	6	4	2	12
RHH - X-Ray/Imaging	0	1	0	1
Speech and Language Therapy - Hospital and Community	1	0	0	1
Total	96	92	108	296

8. In the last 5 years on average how much the trust pay out in compensation claims in relation to absconds from a ward cost the trust? - The Trust has received no claims in relation to absconding patients, therefore no costs have been paid.