FOI 075_2024 Response

Request

I would like to understand the number of reported incidences 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

Please note that Birmingham and Solihull Mental Health Foundation Trust explicitly provide mental health services and do not provide physical healthcare like an Acute Trust.

Your request for information is therefore not applicable to the Trust.