

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST

RF23-741

Request:

1. How many patients in your Trust had ICD-10 codes for Venous Thromboembolic Disease: included in their patient record during A) 2021, B) 2022, C) 2023. **[Revised request]**
2. Does your Trust use the National Venous Thromboembolism (VTE) risk assessment tool? If no, does your Trust have its own risk assessment tool?
3. Who is responsible for the implementation of your Trust's VTE risk assessment tool?
4. What training do you have in place to ensure the adoption of the VTE risk assessment tool in clinical practice?

Response:

We can confirm East Kent Hospitals University NHS Foundation Trust (EKHUFT) holds the information you have requested.

1.

Year	Number of Patients
2021	2929
2022	3004
2023	2523

2. Yes

3. The Chief Medical Officer under advisement by Trust Thrombosis Group

4. Training is provided via e-Learning. Face-to-face and virtual training on VTE is also provided within a rolling programme and includes (but is not limited to):

- Trust clinical induction to all new starters.
- Nurses recruited overseas as part of their OSCE training.
- Junior Doctors on 4-monthly rotation.

Sessions are also routinely provided to Theatres, Surgical teams and stroke wards. Target areas such as Maternity, AMUs, SDEC and some medical wards are provided with ongoing education and support as part of quality improvement projects. Regular workshops with all staff on awareness days (World Thrombosis Day etc.) which is usually every 6 months.

(DATE OF RESPONSE: 15 DECEMBER 2023)