

FREEDOM OF INFORMATION REQUEST RF24-103

Request:

The number of Datix incidents logged involving patient misidentification, broken down by category of harm if possible, for each of the five following calendar years: 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023

Response:

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

Incidents by Severity and Incident date (Year)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
A - None (incident ran to completion but no harm occurred to					
the person(s) affected)	156	115	203	162	131
B - Low (minimal harm - person(s) affected required extra					
observation or minor treatment)	13	13	13	14	13
C - Moderate (person(s) affected suffered significant but not					
permanent harm, requiring additional treatment)	0	1	0	0	2
Total	169	129	216	176	146

Incidents by Sub category and Incident date (Year)

	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Failure - patient incorrectly identified (name or limb)	107	81	115	86	83
Patient incorrectly identified	9	3	2	4	10
Patient incorrectly identified on electronic record (PAS / Patient					
Centre)	53	45	99	86	53
Total	169	129	216	176	146

(DATE OF INFORMATION AS AT 13 FEBRUARY 2024)