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Please include the following information for each of the following financial years; 2020-21, 2021-22, 2022-23:

Q1 What are the conditions that class as “unsuitable housing’ or ‘clinically vulnerable’ pertaining to patients that require NHS safe places?

Unsuitable housing leading to the provision of safe houses refers to the conditions that means social services must be called as referred to in this article.

<https://www.guysandstthomas.nhs.uk/news/safe-place-patients-who-are-homeless-after-hospital-stay>

A1 Each issue/s would depend on the patients presentation at the time, and the eligibility for a service under the Care Act, i.e. the patient will have care needs, that will require support on discharge.

For example, the patients identified below were deemed clinically vulnerable as they had health conditions or had had surgery in hospital or mental health issues, and their home environment was not appropriate i.e. environmental issues, homelessness or safeguarding issues.

The Care Act quotes - The adults needs arise from or relate to a physical, mental impairment or illness.

Q2 How many cases of this have been reported each year?

	2020-21	2021-22	2022-23
No of cases reported	1	2	12
How many days did each patient stay	14	17, 21	1 x 5, 3 x 13, 2 x 14, 1 x 20, 1 x 24, 1 x 26, 1 x 27, 1 x 102, 1 x 104
What was the reason for the patient stay	ACS Transfer to LHCH	2 x ACS Transfer to LHCH	9 x ACS Transfers to LHCH 1 x STEMI patient 1 x PPCI patient 1 x ACHD patient

What was the reason for the patients discharge	Patient allocated suitable housing	2 x Patient allocated suitable housing	2 x patients allocated suitable housing, 1 x allocated a place in a hostel, 1 x allocated a temporary place in a B&B, 1 x required further assessment in the community, 1 x stayed with family, 2 x referred to housing services, 1 x allocated a place in a housing options service bed sit, 1 x allocated a place in a male only hotel, 2 x supported by the property pool.
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*ACS - Acute Coronary Syndrome

*STEMI – ST-elevation myocardial infarction

*PPCI – Primary Percutaneous Coronary Intervention

*ACHD – Adult Congenital Heart Disease

*LHCH – Liverpool Heart & Chest Hospital NHS Foundation Trust

Q3 How many days did each patient stay?

A3 As per A2

Q4 What were the reasons for their stay?

A4 As per A2

Q5 How much did it cost to keep each patient?

A5 Information not held – the Trust does not routinely collate or hold this information centrally as part of its management or performance data.

Q6 What was the reason for each patients' discharge?

A6 As per A2