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Subject: Patient misidentification incidents

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A1 Please see attached FOI 202324 582 Response.

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| | Administration | Communication | Documentation | EPR | Medications | Other Category | Total |
|------|---|--|---|--|--|---|-------|
| 2019 | No harm: 10 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 9 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 15 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 2 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 4 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 12 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | 52 |
| 2020 | No harm: 10 Low harm: 1 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 7 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 6 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 3 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 7 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 5 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | 39 |
| 2021 | No harm: 15 Low harm: 1 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 0 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 9 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 1 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 4 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 14 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | 44 |
| 2022 | No harm: 18 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 1 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 7 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 0 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 2 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 7 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | 35 |
| 2023 | No harm: 13 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 4 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 13 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 0 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 4 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | No harm: 15 Low harm: 0 Moderate harm: 0 Severe: 0 Death: 0 | 49 |

Information not held- 'patient misidentification' is not a specific field or category on our InPhase risk reporting system (which replaced the Datix system in July 2023). Therefore, the information provided above is based on key words and the categories in which these events would be reported.

Categories: Administration, Communication, Documentation, EPR, Medications.

Key words: Wrong, Incorrect, Misidentification, Wristbands.

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