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REQUEST

- 1. How many injuries that resulted in Accident and Emergency Department visits to your Trust were caused by DIY?
- 2. How many of those injured were male?
- 3. How many of those injured were female?
- 4. How many of those injured were in the 18 24 age group?
- 5. How many of those injured were in the 25 49 age group?
- 6. How many of those injured were in the 50 64 age group?
- 7. How many of those injured were in the 65+ age group?
- 8. How many of those injured required prolonged stays in hospital?
- 9. How many of this injury type did you receive in: 2023, 2022, 2021, and 2020?

RESPONSE

St Helens and Knowsley Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust and Southport and Ormskirk Hospital NHS Trust became a single legal entity known as Mersey and West Lancashire Teaching Hospitals NHS Trust on 1st July 2023, as such parts of the response may be provided in two sections relating to the hospital sites of each of the legacy organisations.

St. Helens and Knowsley response

We do not record DIY as a specific mechanism.

Southport and Ormskirk response

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Section 40: personal information

We are unable to provide precise figures when those figures refer to individuals in volumes of 5 or less due to the risk that individuals will be reidentified, as we are required to protect their identity under the General Data Protection Regulations & Data Protection Act 2018. In such circumstances Section 40(2) and Section 40(3) of the Freedom of Information Act apply. In this case, our view is that disclosure would breach the first data protection principle which states that personal data should be processed "lawfully, fairly and in a transparent manner". It is the lawful aspect of this principle which, in our view, would be breached by disclosure, and in such circumstances, Section 40 confers an absolute exemption on disclosure.