

Freedom of Information Request	FOI 22-297	26 <sup>th</sup> July 2022
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**Please can I make a freedom of information request regarding the following:**

**1. How many place accidents in GUH have been attributed to de-wheeling of the desk chairs?**

There have been five or less workplace incidents, reported via the Datix system, associated with falls from desk chairs/stools.

Please note the Health Board has applied Section 40 of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. The Health Board will not provide the exact numbers due to the low numbers of individuals involved (5 or less). The Health Board believes there is a potential risk of individuals being able to be identified, when considered with other information already available within the public domain, if this was disclosed. Therefore, the data is classed as personal data as defined under the General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and Data Protection Act 2018 and its disclosure would be contrary to the data protection principles and constitute unfair and unlawful processing in regard to Articles 5, 6, and 9 of GDPR. We are therefore withholding this detail under Section 40(2) of the Freedom of Information Act 2000. This exemption is absolute and therefore there is no requirement to apply the public interest test.

**2. What is ABUHB policy on wheels on desk chairs?**

Please find attached the Policy for Workstation Display Screen Equipment (DSE) which includes the requirements for risk assessment.

The Health Board has also issued a health and safety information sheet HSI-2022-003 - Suitability of chair castors used on smooth, hard floor surfaces' in June 2022(attached) to provide guidance to staff and managers.

**3. How many accidents on ward C0 GUH have been attributed to excess congestion behind desks?**

There have been no incidents, reported via the Datix system, attributed to excess congestion behind desks.

**4. How many workplace accidents have happened on ward C0 GUH since opening?**

Since the opening of the Grange University Hospital there have been 34 incidents reported via the Datix system for Ward C0, that have affected staff, visitors or contractors.