

**Freedom of Information Act 2000**

**The Royal Cornwall Hospitals NHS Trust Response to Information request**

**Date Request Received: 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025**

**FOI Ref No 29662**

**Requested Information:**

1. The number of patient safety events involving a physician associate or anaesthesia associate in the last five years. (Broken down by calendar years: 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024)
  - a. Broken down by types of injuries resulting from these safety events. (Broken down by same years as above)
  - b. Broken down by injury causes. (Broken down by same years as above)
  - c. Broken down by injury severity (no harm, slight, moderate, severe, catastrophic). (Broken down by same years as above)

**Response:**

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	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Physician Associate	0	0	0	1	1
Anaesthesia Associate	0	0	0	0	0

1a

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Category	0	0	0	1 x Clinical Assessment & Treatment	1 x Medication - monitoring and advice

1b

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Sub category	0	0	0	1 x Unintended exposure to radiation	1 x Verbal direction to patient was incorrect / omitted

1c

	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Severity	N/A	N/A	N/A	1 x no harm	1 x minor injury

**Attachment(s):**

No Attachment(s)

**Date Response sent: 19<sup>th</sup> August 2025**