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Date:	23 rd May 2025
Subject:	Patient Falls and Flat Lifting Equipment

REQUEST & RESPONSE

Patient Falls

1. **How many patient falls were recorded across your Trust between *January 2023 and January 2024*?**

MWL - 2885

2. **How many patient falls were recorded between *January 2025 and April 2025*?**

MWL - 910

3. **Of the falls recorded between *January 2023 and January 2024*, how many resulted in an additional injury or condition as a result of the fall?**

Unable to provide this information

4. **Of the falls recorded between *January 2025 and April 2025*, how many resulted in an additional injury or condition as a result of the fall?**

Unable to provide this information

5. **Does the Trust have an official falls protocol or guideline?**

Yes, we have a "Policy for the Reduction and Management of Patient Falls"

6. **Does the Trust have a dedicated falls team?**
 - **If yes, how many staff members are part of this team?**

Yes, we have two falls' specialists currently.

7. **Please provide the *name and job title* of the person responsible for leading or overseeing the falls prevention strategy within the Trust.**

James Webb, Lead Falls Nurse

Manual Handling

- 8. Does the Trust have a dedicated manual handling team?**
- **If yes, how many staff members are part of this team?**

Three persons

- 9. Please provide the name and job title of the person responsible for managing or coordinating the manual handling team within the Trust.**

Medical Device Lead - AJ Proudler

Flat Lifting Equipment

- 10. Do you use any of the following flat lifting devices to assist patients from the floor after a fall? Please indicate which apply:**

- **HoverJack (Etac)**
- **Flojac (GBUK)** Yes
- **Rhino (Winncare)**
- **Other (please specify)** Mangar Elk ,Hover Matt
- **None**

- 11. How many flat lifting devices are currently in use across the Trust?**

6 devices

- 12. Does the Trust provide regular training to staff on the use of flat lifting equipment?**

Yes

- 13. Please provide the name and job title of the person responsible for overseeing training and operational use of flat lifting equipment across the Trust.**

Medical Device Service Lead – AJ Proudler

1. Manual Handling Advisor – Heidi McMahon
2. Manual Handling Advisor – Stephen Stelfox

