

## Physician & Anaesthesia associates

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Further to your Freedom of Information Act request, please find the Trust's response(s) below:

- 1. According to your records, in the financial years 2022/23 and 23/24 (as of 07.03.24), on how many occasions did either a Physician Associate or Anaesthesia Associate prescribe/attempt to prescribe medication to a patient at your trust? Please provide a breakdown by year.*

We have manually checked 313 prescriptions in the EPR where it was not immediately clear if the prescription was by a supervising doctor or an AA (Anaesthesia Associate) and have confirmed that no prescriptions were by AAs.

- 2. According to your records, in the financial years 2022/23 and 23/24 (as of 07.03.24), on how many occasions did either a Physician Associate or Anaesthesia Associate request a scan that involves ionising radiation for a patient at your trust? Please provide a breakdown by year.*

Answer: Nil - Please note: Physician Associates or Anaesthetic Associates are not able to request imaging.

- 3. If it does not exceed the cost threshold, in the financial years 2022/23 and 23/24 (as of 07.03.24), how many incidents were recorded on Datix (or equivalent system) relating to the actions Physician Associates or Anaesthesia Associates? Please provide a breakdown by year.*

We do not record this detail directly.

The Freedom of Information Act allows the public to ask for copies of information held. This information is not held in documentation within the Trust; therefore, we are unable to release information in response to this question.