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REQUEST

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*Datix is a Risk Management Information System designed to collect and manage data on adverse events used by some NHS Trusts.

RESPONSE

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No.	Outline of Events
1	Patient found on floor, had attempted to get off the trolley to go to the toilet.
2	Patient fell between the theatre trolley and the bed due to the brakes not being put on the theatre trolley prior to transferring.
3	Patient slipped to floor from trolley.

No.	Outline of Events
4	Patient slipped from the bottom of trolley to the floor. When patient was sat up on the floor, they lay down backwards and banged their head on the cupboard door.
5	Patient has shuffled themselves to the end of a trolley and resulted in a fall. Patient has pulled catheter out by doing so.
6	Patient was on corridor and slipped through the bars of the trolley.
7	Patient was sitting on the trolley chair and moved down the trolley. Due to putting their weight at the bottom of the trolley, it tipped up and the patient fell off onto the floor, hitting their head on the cupboard.
8	Patient was seen by a doctor trying to get off the trolley and falling off the floor.
9	Patient found next to trolley, trolley rails in situ.
10	Patient heavily under influence of illegal drugs and extremely unsteady on feet / disinhibited and restless. Patient fell off trolley onto floor, grazing their elbow.
11	Patient fell trying to get out of trolley to go to toilet.
12	Patient fell from trolley in corridor, no apparent injury noted.
13	Patient has fallen from trolley to floor.
14	Patient found on floor besides trolley.
15	Patient passing urine at the edge of the trolley and slid down the trolley as legs gave way. Banged their head with metal bar of the trolley, superficial scratch.
16	Unwitnessed fall in stretcher triage, heard patient shout help and when attended was lay on floor next to trolley.
17	Patient was found sitting cross legged on the floor and swearing. The patient was partially able to weight bear but did seem in pain on transfer, the patient did have a pre-existing leg injury.
18	Patient climbed over trolley bars and fell on floor. This was witnessed by a member of the catering staff who stated that the patient hit their head.
19	Patient had a fall, fell out of the trolley (unwitnessed). Found on the floor.
20	Patient had been found on floor after slipping off side of the trolley, trying to reach for their mobile phone. Patient sustained left arm skin tear and cannula had dislodged, denied any injury to head, or contact with trolley or floor.
21	Patient came back from toilet and stated they were leaning forward while sat on the hospital trolley and fell forward.
22	Patient climbed out of trolley and slid down side of trolley. Patient assisted back onto trolley by four staff members. No injuries obtained.

No.	Outline of Events
23	Patient was in trolley, becoming unsettled and has thrown self over the side rails. Patient has then stood up and tried to run from department but does not have capacity. Patient had falls sticker and bracelet on, which they had removed. Patient also had hospital grip socks on, which they had also removed prior to fall.
24	Patient climbed over trolley rail and fell to floor. This was witnessed by other patients and their relatives who stated patient had hit their head on floor.
25	Patient had an unwitnessed fall from sitting position.
26	Patient was found on the floor next to the trolley they were sleeping in, after falling when they climbed out while agitated.
27	Patient found on floor at bottom of trolley.
28	Patient tried to mobilise independently and fell on floor in corridor from trolley.