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Foreign Objects Left Inside Patients Following Surgery

Question:

I am writing under the Freedom of Information Act (2000) to request the following information:

The number of foreign objects left inside patients following surgery within the Trust, broken down by type of object and year between January 1 2017 and December 31 2022

Response:

Year	No. of Incidents	Foreign Objects
2017	2	1 x Swab 1 x Metallic adaptor of cement restrictor
2018	5	2 x Swab 1 x Dental Roll 1 x Needle Tip 1 x Chest Drain Wire
2019	4	2 x Swab 1 x Local Anaesthetic catheter 1 x Part of Drill pin
2020	2	1 x Part of orogastric tube 1 x Fixed tooth bridge
2021	5	3 x Swab 2 x Part of gastric feeding tube
2022	5	1 x Swab 1 x Spysnare 1 x Scalpel tip 2 x Part of gastric feeding tube