

For the Record – Press Statements

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Reporter	Bev Holder
Headline	Hospitals buck trend in report
First paragraph/s of article	<p>DUDLEY hospitals have bucked the national trend in a new inspection regime.</p> <p>THE Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust has scored higher than the national average in three of four areas in the new Patient–Led Assessments of the Care Environment (PLACE) inspection regime.</p>
Paragraph relating to enquiry	<p>Meanwhile the Trust has also got back on track with treating 85 per cent of cancer patients within 62 days of being referred urgently by their GP after missing the government target by 0.2 per cent in the summer.</p>
Press enquiry	<p>The Trust’s Monitor rating has improved and is now Amber-Green after previously being Amber-Red. Bev Holder said MP Chris Kelly has welcomed the news that we are making improvements.</p> <p>Question: Would the Trust like to comment?</p>
Trust response	
<p>COMMENT FROM PAULA CLARK, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE DUDLEY GROUP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST</p> <p>The Trust has been working very hard to make sure we meet the government set target that 85 per cent of patients with cancer are treated within 62 days of being referred urgently by their GP.</p> <p>We are very pleased that this hard work has paid off and that our Monitor governance risk rating has improved from amber-red to amber-green to reflect this.</p> <p>*** ENDS ***</p>	