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Reporter	Louise Jew
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First paragraph/s of article	The parents of tragic eight year-old Owen Jeremy have spoken of their "disappointment" at an inquest verdict that laid no blame at the door of the hospital where he was treated.
Press enquiry	A reporter from the Express and Star attended the inquest into the death of Owen Jeremy at which the coroner recorded a verdict of 'natural causes'. She asks if the Trust would like to comment on the result.
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COMMENT FROM PAULA CLARK, CHIEF EXECUTIVE, THE DUDLEY GROUP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

Any death of a patient is tragic but a child's death is particularly so. We would like to take this opportunity once again to express our sincere condolences to the family of Owen Jeremy.

A thorough review was undertaken and the Trust acknowledges the coroner's verdict of death by natural causes and his comments that Owen received "extremely careful and competent treatment".

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