

For the Record – Press Statements

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Reporter	Marion Brennan
Headline	Patients in 31 new Midlands hospital care claims
First paragraph/s of article	Lawyers are investigating 31 new claims from patients saying they were the victims of poor care at three Midlands hospitals.
Paragraph/s relating to The Dudley Group	Nine of the claims are against Russells Hall Hospital in Dudley, one involves Wolverhampton’s New Cross Hospital, and 21 are new allegations against scandal-hit Stafford. Bosses from Russells Hall were unavailable for comment.
Press enquiry	Leigh Day firm of solicitors is investigating 31 new claims involving three Midland Hospitals in the wake of Mid Staffs. She says nine of the claims are against Russells Hall Hospital. Question 1. Can the Trust comment?
Also issued to:	NA
Trust response	
<p>The Dudley Group is committed to ensuring the best possible care of all patients and we would like to reassure our patients and their families that we do everything in our power to ensure patients are safe and well looked after while they are in our care.</p> <p>The Trust is not facing legal action from the Leigh Day firm of solicitors.</p>	