

## For the Record – Press Statement

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Headline	Missed targets could cost trust £250,000
Paragraph/s relating to	A hospital is set to lose out on more than £250,000 of
The Dudley Group	funding because it is missing NHS waiting time targets.
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	Health chiefs at Russells Hall in Dudley have admitted it
	'seems likely' they will not receive as much cash from the
	Government as hoped due to its performance on waiting
	times.
Press enquiry	The Express & Star contacted the Trust in relation to
	performance around the A&E four hour target mentioned in
	the finance report in September's Board papers.
Trust response	

## COMMENT FROM DIANE WAKE, CHIEF EXECUTIVE, THE DUDLEY GROUP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

The Trust receives Sustainability and Transformation Fund (STF) money for hitting financial targets and for achieving the four hour Emergency Department standard. For the financial year 2017-18 the Trust has the opportunity to earn £8.574m STF. If we don't achieve the four hour target in quarter two (July to September 2017), we will not receive £257,000 of the available STF funds for 2017-18.

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## Notes for editors

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