

## For the Record - Press Statements

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Reporter	Heather Large
Headline	Hospital chief praises maternity staff score
First paragraph/s of article	THE chief executive of Dudley's hospital trust today praised the dedication of maternity staff after they received high marks in a national survey for the care they give.  Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust scored a total of 171.1 out of 200 in the CQC survey, putting it among the best-performing trusts in the area. The survey saw women asked to give their views on their experience of maternity care. They were asked to answer a series of different questions covering 20 topics, including communication with patients and partners, and compassion shown by staff.
Press enquiry	The Express and Star has received the publication of the CQC maternity survey results which show The Dudley Group has performed well.
Trust response	Question: Would the Trust like to comment on the results?

## Trust response

## COMMENT FROM PAULA CLARK, CHIEF EXECUTIVE OF THE DUDLEY GROUP NHS FOUNDATION TRUST

We are delighted by the Trust's performance in the CQC's survey of maternity services. We always strive to offer the best possible care to our mums-to-be and these excellent results are a testament to the dedication and hard work of all our maternity staff.

We are especially pleased that we scored 8.3 out of 10 for the care we provide to our new mums after birth, placing us amongst the best performing trusts for this area.

Our maternity unit continues to be extremely popular with mum-to be, and over the past few years we have invested lots of time and money into further improving our maternity services, both in hospital and out in the community.

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