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Russells Hall Hospital  
Dudley  
West Midlands  
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**Date:** 7.10.25

**Address / Email:**

Dear

**Request Under Freedom of Information Act 2000**

Thank you for requesting information under the Freedom of Information Act 2000, please see response below.

I am submitting a request for information held by the trust under the Freedom of Information Act.

This has two parts. They are not dependent on one another. Please respond to the second part regardless of your answer to the first. Please provide this information to me in an electronic format.

1. Please list the names of any wholly-owned subsidiaries (also known as SubCos) to the trust  
**- Dudley Clinical Services Limited**

2. In March 2025 Sir James Mackey the chief executive of NHS England told the wider NHS that trusts should normally be transferring support staff to wholly-owned subsidiary companies adding that all trusts will need to introduce or consider SubCos. It is my understanding that at that point NHS foundation trusts began looking into the possibility of setting up new SubCos or expanding the use of their current SubCo, if they have one or more already.

To that end, please provide the following pieces of information:

a) The name of any management consultancy and/or professional services firms you engaged to provide advice and support following this announcement by Sir James in regard to setting up new or expanding the use of extant SubCos. For the avoidance of doubt, by professional services firms I mean companies (of any size) that provide advice and support in fields such as law, technical areas of expertise such as IT, audit, accountancy, IT, tax including VAT, etc. - **None**

b) The sum of money paid to those firms in the course of delivering the required service relating to setting up new or expanding the use of extant SubCos – **N/A**

c) The number of person hours of time that your trust staff put into scoping out possible actions the trust could make in response to Sir James' announcement as cited above, including time spent working on compiling a business case for the creation of or expansion of SubCos. – **N/A**

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you have the right to appeal in line with guidance from the Information Commissioner. In the first instance you may contact the Information Governance Manager of the Trust.

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Should you disagree with the contents of our response to your appeal, you have the right to appeal to the Information Commissioners Office at.

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If you require further clarification, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours sincerely

**Freedom of Information Team**  
**The Dudley Group NHS Foundation Trust**