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Dear Jan

The Provider Development team has compared your trusts 2007/08 HCC rating with both your 06/07 rating and the predicted 2008/09 rating, as set out within your 2008/09 Annual Plan submission.

Our understanding of your performance to date is as follows:

Trust	Quality of Services				Use of resources			
	06/07	07/08	07/08	08/09	06/07	07/08	07/08	08/09
	Actual	Predicted	Actual	Predicted	Actual	Predicted	Actual	Predicted
West Herts	Weak	Fair	Fair	Good	Weak	Fair	Fair	Good

Bold text - denotes a difference between forecast and actual rating achieved

Green – denotes improvement in performance from previous year,

Amber - decline in rating from previous year

Red - denotes 'Weak' or 'Poor' rating

We will review the accuracy of your predictions and discuss any variance at the regular Provider Development meetings. Accurate forecasting is important in a regulatory environment based increasingly on self-certification.

We would like Trust Boards to review their predicted ratings for 2008/2009 and update the Provider Development team on the outcome of this reconsideration.

We will review updated HCC predictions with a view to driving forward the delivery of quality services and our wider aspiration to be the best and safest healthcare region in the country.

With kind regards

Dr Stephen Dunn Director of Strategy

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