

Anthony Marsh,  
Chief Executive,  
West Midlands Ambulance Service NHS Trust,  
Ambulance Headquarters,  
Millennium Point,  
Waterfront Business Park,  
Brierley Hill,  
West Midlands.

Dear Mr Marsh,

**Re: Foundation Trust**

I am writing as a staff member and stakeholder in West Midlands Ambulance Trust. I am deeply opposed to the idea of Foundation Status for the following reasons:

1. Foundation Trust will compete as part of a commercial market.
2. Foundation Trust will be a backdoor to privatisation
3. Foundation Trust will not lead to greater local accountability or social ownership.
4. Foundation Trust will be poor value for money.
5. Foundation Trust will lead to greater inequalities between ambulance services/hospitals.
6. Foundation Trust will draw scarce staff away from non foundation trusts.
7. Foundation Trust will undermine the NHS's public service principles.

As a staff member I am committed to the principles of delivering high quality patient care and I believe that WMAS achieving Foundation status would jeopardise this. Please accept this letter as notice that I would like to opt out as a member of the staff constitution.

Yours sincerely,

Signature:

Name:

Date:

Division: