



## **Royal Surrey Supporter**

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News for our partners, members and communities





Royal Surrey Chief Exec ranked among the best in England

Royal Surrey Chief Executive, Louise Stead, has been ranked among the best in England in the Health Service Journal's prestigious 'top 50' list of pre-eminent NHS Trust leaders.

Louise was listed number 13 out of 219 NHS Trust Chief Executives by judges across the health and social care profession. They were asked to choose the top 50 based on the performance of the organisation run by the Chief Executive, their contribution to the wider healthcare system, and the personal example they set to peers and employees. Read more on the website.

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#### In the news



# Royal Surrey performs 100th day case prostatectomy

The cancer patient was the hundredth patient to go home the same day that he had his prostate surgically removed as part of a drive to aid recovery.

The initiative has helped save the Trust more than £17,000 by avoiding unnecessary hospital stays and freeing up vital beds for other patients.

Charlie O'Shea, aged 69, was the hundredth patient who was well enough to go home just hours after surgeons used pioneering robotic technology to perform the procedure, which is known as a radical prostatectomy.

Read more on the <u>website</u>.



# Radiotherapy team celebrates artificial intelligence milestone

Royal Surrey's Radiotherapy team celebrated becoming the first UK hospital to deliver its 1,000th adaptive treatment to cancer patients using artificial intelligence (AI).

New technology adapts the treatment to a patient's anatomy in real time and uses online adaptive radiotherapy fractions delivered via the Varian Ethos© machine. The treatment particularly benefits bladder and cervix cancer patients. Read more on the *website*.



## Royal Surrey engages community groups on liver health issues

A team of researchers from Royal Surrey has been working with community groups across Surrey, to raise awareness of liver health issues and carry out liver health checks in the community.

The initiative, run by the Trust's Research, Development & Innovation team, is one of a number of projects the Trust is running to deliver liver health services in community settings.

The series of workshops were attended by hundreds of people from traditionally underserved areas of our community, such as minority faith

groups, minority ethnic community groups, and asylum seekers living in Surrey. You can read more about this community initiative on our *website*.



# Royal Surrey part of award-winning prostate cancer pilot

A successful pilot project involving Royal Surrey staff has won a prestigious Health Service Journal (HSJ) award in the category of Most Effective Contribution to Clinical Redesign.

'Targeted Prostate Health Check', a project to identify and treat prostate cancer patients, was led by Surrey and Sussex Cancer Alliance (SSCA), in partnership with virtual hospital provider Medefer.

The project used GP records to identify males with risk factors for prostate cancer based on age, ethnicity, and family history. Read more about this project on the <u>website</u>.





### Passion for global women's health takes Chimwemwe to Namibia

Dr Chimwemwe Kalumbi, Consultant Obstetrician and Gynaecologist, is helping tackle global maternal health in Namibia and Malawi.

Driven by a passion for advancing women's health globally, Chimwemwe spent ten days of her annual leave volunteering at hospitals in Windhoek, capital city of Namibia last month. You can read more about this story on our *website*.



### **Celebrating our Healthcare Scientists**

Healthcare Science Week took place 13-19 March and was an opportunity to shine a light on how vital healthcare scientists are to patient care in the NHS.

These team members work hard behind the scenes, providing essential support to clinicians to make sure our patients get the right diagnosis and deliver safe and effective treatment. In fact, their work underpins 80 per cent of all diagnoses in the NHS. Visit the *website* to read more.

### Meet our Governor



## Sara Lillywhite, Waverley Public Governor

### **Meet our Waverley Public Governor**

Sara lives in Haslemere with her husband and two children. Both her children were born at Royal Surrey and during Covid her mother received care in very tough circumstances.

Sara has worked at a large technology company, led teams, worked with clients, managed projects and worked on problem resolution. She said: "I strongly believe in technology as a key to innovation and use agile practices for collaboration and networking. I think many of these skills can help in driving innovation, inclusion and supporting staff. I am interested to learn more about how the NHS works and how I, as a Governor, can bring some of my professional skills into play". Read more about Sara *here*.

### Support our charity



### **Stride for Cancer Care - sponsored walk**

Join us for our sponsored walk and support world-class care at St Luke's Cancer Centre. Every penny or pound you raise will make a huge difference to people living with cancer – now and in the future.

**Distances**: 5km (new this year), 10km, 15km or 25km

Registration fee: £20 (age 12 and under are free)

Sponsored by: CBRE

For more information on *this event* and how you can get involved please visit Royal Surrey Charity website or contact the Fundraising Department: Tel: <u>01483571122 ext 4438.</u>

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