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Welcome to this latest edition of Together; our magazine for foundation trust members, staff, patients, the public, volunteers and supporters.

It's wonderful to see that summer is here, and for me, these months bring hope for brighter days ahead. Firstly, I want to say a huge thank you to our #TeamUHD colleagues, volunteers, supporters and partners all your hard work.

Looking back since my last update, there are many positives to reflect on...

- Planned care is improving, and we are in the top 20 most improved trusts for our performance around urgent and emergency care. Please do remember to help us to help you by choosing the right service for your need.
- Waiting times for patients have improved. Please continue to engage with us if we get in touch about any planned care you are waiting for.
- Our recent Staff Survey saw the highest response rates in four

years, with significant improvements in most areas.

It was wonderful to see Forest Holme Hospice celebrate their 30th birthday recently with a display of glass keepsakes available to purchase in honour of a loved one, while Poole's neonatal unit has embraced virtual reality to enable prospective parents the chance to 'tour' the unit.

Turning our attention to 'transforming care together', we are just nine months away from our maternity services move into the 'BEACH' Building at the Royal Bournemouth. And as we saw when we launched our charity's biggest ever fundraising appeal to 'Back our BEACH', it's all feeling very real now! Head to pages 6 and 7 to find out how you can support their campaign.

More recently we had the grand opening of our incredible new Pathology Hub, and have also been granted permission to purchase the land at Wessex Fields, behind RBH. This paves the way for a health-led campus on the site, strengthening our links with Bournemouth University and delivering numerous benefits.

You can find out more about the hub, in our transformation update on page 11.

Thank you for all your support. As you'll see throughout this edition, there is so much to look forward to, together. Our UHD Awards took place on 20 June, and we were very excited to celebrate the incredible array of talent, dedication, and compassion from our colleagues in everything they do. More information about the ceremony, including all our worthy winners, will be included in our next edition.



I wish you all good health throughout the year and hope we can continue to build on so much fantastic support and engagement we have already seen for the rest of 2024.

Siobhan

Happy birthday, Forest Holme!



Guests celebrated 30 years of Forest Holme

30th anniversary year and is an opportunity for supporters and community members to purchase and own a special commemorative handcrafted piece of art, serving as a poignant tribute to love, loss, and compassion.”

Forest Holme Hospice Charity celebrated its 30th anniversary with the launch of a stunning display of 1,000 handcrafted stained glass fritillaria flowers at Merley House in Wimborne.

Guests including The Mayor of Poole, artist Ellie Drake-Lee and Dr Stephen Kirkham, who was the first consultant at Forest Holme when it opened, joined hospice staff, supporters and charity trustees in the gardens at Merley House to officially open the display, which was then available to view to the public.

The event, which was sponsored by Gallagher Insurance in Poole, took place exactly 30 years to the day that Forest Holme Hospice Charity, or Friends of Forest Holme as it was known then, first opened its doors to raise funds for the then new specialist palliative care unit based at Seldown Road in Poole.

The Charity officially launched on 26 April 1994 and since then donations from supporters have helped the hospice to care for over 30,000 patients and their families.

Members of the public have the opportunity to own one of these commemorative handcrafted stained-glass flowers, skilfully created by the talented artist Ellie Drake-Lee from Garden Glass Art, which will be available for delivery or collection for the rest of the year.

Hannah O’ Hare, CEO of Forest Holme Hospice Charity, said:

“This installation serves as a symbol of remembrance, hope, and the enduring spirit of compassion that defines Forest Holme’s commitment to end-of-life care. The art installation offers a focal point of reflection and inspiration during our



Artist Ellie added:

“I am thrilled to be involved in this colourful celebration of a fundraising initiative. It means so much to me on a personal level and an artistic level. Both my parents were cared for at the end of their lives at a hospice, so I know how vital it is to support them in raising funds. Forest Holme has been so supportive with this amazing creative idea and it was a privilege seeing the installation of all my glass flowers, every one unique, when they were displayed at Merley House.”

If you would like to purchase a keepsake flower www.forestholmehospice.org.uk

Patients' pre-op checks now paperless

Patients who require surgery under local or general anaesthetic have always needed to complete a health questionnaire prior to the procedure, to help spot any complications that might arise beforehand. And historically, these always meant a trip to hospital to meet with a member of the preoperative assessment team.

But now patients can complete these important checks securely online at a time that's convenient to them, meaning there's no need to attend hospital for this service. These checks can highlight any relevant medical history a patient may have, any conditions that may need to be addressed before surgery, the most appropriate type of anaesthetic and even the way the surgery is performed.

The benefits are expected to be significant, said Dr Hannah McPhee, consultant anaesthetist and University Hospitals Dorset's clinical lead for preoperative assessment and the MyPreOp digital service.

“Pre-op assessments are completed for every patient who is going to have a procedure under anaesthesia at UHD. They are a vital part of ensuring our patients are as safe as possible before, during and after their surgery,” Hannah explains.

“They identify reasons why a patient may need particular care at the time of their operation, for example because of their medical history, whether they are likely to experience complications from anaesthesia and surgery and allow us to put

individualised plans in place to make surgery as safe as possible.”

The service is suitable for most patients, but there are some who may not like the idea of completing the questionnaire electronically, are unable to, or for whom it's important to meet an expert clinician before surgery. For these patients, face-to-face appointments are still available, and everyone has access to skilled preoperative assessment nurses by phone should they need it. *“Some patients do need extra support, so focusing our expertise on those patients should ensure that all patients can be ready to*

have their operation as soon as possible,” said Hannah.

“Because patients can complete the assessment as soon as the decision is made for a procedure, rather than waiting for a hospital appointment, we are able to identify more complex patients as early as possible, allowing us time to do necessary tests and planning, without delaying surgery, and speeding up the process for those who are more straightforward, too.”

“The convenience of doing the assessment at home cannot be overstated - for many patients, an operation may already mean taking time off work afterwards, for example. Taking away the need for an extra hospital visit in the run up to the procedure will be welcomed by many.”

Dr Hannah McPhee with **Suzanne Young**, Poole Hospital's preoperative assessment lead nurse



Virtual reality

A virtual tour of the Poole Hospital neonatal unit has gone live, enabling families to 'visit' the ward and get a better understanding of what to expect if their child needs neonatal care.

The 3D tour is available on our hospital trust's website and can either be watched in one go or navigated at the user's own pace. Information tags have been added to explain the different areas of the neonatal unit and the equipment to help people familiarise themselves with the clinical area.

Lucy Fairbrass, deputy sister for the unit, said:

"Within the tour they will see the layout of the unit and can hear typical sounds of the clinical environment. There are informational tags that identify medical equipment used, areas parents would access frequently and facilities available for families if they have a baby on the neonatal unit.

"We hope the tour will help potential families prepare and know a little more about what to expect if their baby needs specialist care from our team at Poole. Our hope is that this will help families to visualise where their baby will be cared for, reduce uncertainty and therefore increase the family's wellbeing."

You can watch the Poole tour at www.uhd.nhs.uk/services/maternity/poole/neonatal-unit

The tours can also be used by families whose children were cared for previously in the unit, and were produced in collaboration with the Thames Valley and Wessex Neonatal Partnership, which is working towards having tours of all 14 units in region. See more at <https://neonatalnetworksoutheast.nhs.uk/unit-information>



Take a virtual tour of our Poole neonatal unit!



THAMES VALLEY & WESSEX
NEONATAL NETWORK

Back our BEACH!



Our UHD charity has launched their biggest ever fundraising campaign, calling on our local community to help provide additional items for the new six-storey building at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital and in doing so, helping to transform healthcare across Dorset.

The new building is the size of 115 tennis courts and known as the 'BEACH', for Birth, Emergency, Critical Care and Children's Health. This building will provide new purpose-built maternity and children's units, an improved major emergency department and will be one of the biggest critical care units in the country.



Chief executive officer for University Hospitals Dorset, Siobhan Harrington said: *“There couldn't be a bigger milestone in the history of our hospitals where we see such investment on this scale.*

“Over £500m has already been invested to reconfigure healthcare across Dorset, and now, our hospital's charity will be raising funds to provide a variety of invaluable items that will ensure the new BEACH Building has everything it needs to take our healthcare into the future - above and beyond what the NHS will fund.”

“By supporting The BEACH Appeal, everybody can help make long-lasting differences to the experience of every patient, staff member and hospital visitor who comes through those doors. Together we can ensure our BEACH Building is one of a kind and meets the needs of everybody that depends on our services in the ways we have imagined.”

One of the many fundraising items includes an additional state-of-the-art CT scanner which will be situated in the centre of the new emergency department. Whether patients are arriving from

minor injuries, paediatric ED, or the observation ward, every patient will be within approximately 20 metres of the scanner. This will enable double the number of patients to be scanned, diagnosed and treated within critical timeframes.



Funds will also go towards new wellbeing gardens adjacent to the new critical care unit to provide a tranquil outdoor space for patients, visitors and staff to experience fresh air, natural light, and nature during their time on the unit. New indoor and outdoor play areas in the new children's health department to give children joy and a break away from clinical areas, will also be funded.

As well as additional equipment, funds will also provide artistically designed elements in the BEACH Building to enhance the patient experience and working environments for staff, a bereavement suite for the maternity unit, and mental health rooms for our ED.

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or @UHDcharity on X (Twitter)



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and Instagram



If the fundraising target is not achieved, these meaningful items cannot be provided which is why our hospital's charity is calling everybody in the local community to come together, to back The BEACH Appeal and help make this vision a reality.



Ruth Dodgson,
critical care matron

Dr Isabel Smith, medical director for strategy and transformation, said:

“The separation of planned and emergency care within our new and existing buildings will enable us to transform our services as there will be shorter wait times and fewer cancellations for planned procedures at Poole Hospital by avoiding the referrals between our hospital sites.

“However, to provide a better experience under our care in each of the new departments, we also need the additional equipment and facilities mentioned

within those departments to meet the needs of our patients during their time with us - not just now, but for generations to come. The additional CT scanner and children's play areas are great examples of this.”



Kerry Hunt, stroke outreach

Staff will also benefit as we can offer facilities to further support their wellbeing while fulfilling demanding roles. We can also attract more medical professionals to join the UHD Team to work out of our exemplary facilities.

Head of Charity, Debbie Anderson, said: *“The BEACH Appeal really is a once-in-a generation opportunity for us all to be a part of something special by helping to transform care together for everybody across Dorset.”*

Please join us and back our BEACH Appeal today to help enhance our services for you and your loved ones when you need your hospitals.

To find out more about how you can donate, and watch the video all about the appeal, head to www.uhdcharity.org/beachappeal



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Feeling thankful... a message from UHD Charity

We'd like to say a huge thank you to everyone who took part in the Twilight Walk 2024 to support those affected by breast cancer in Dorset.

Families, friends, NHS colleagues and even some furry friends gathered at Bournemouth Pier Approach on Friday 25 May, to raise funds for those receiving treatment from University Hospitals Dorset's breast cancer team.

It was a truly special evening as we celebrated the lives of loved ones who have faced breast cancer and the amazing NHS staff who are there for our local communities.

The total amount raised will be shared in the next edition, and on our website and social media channels even sooner, so keep your eyes peeled!

Every penny raised will support the breast health team at UHD improve the patient experience and help us acquire vital equipment to enhance care at our hospitals.

A special thanks also goes out to Charles Thorne Photography, First Response Training and Express Security for donating services and supporting the walkers at the event.

We would also like to thank the amazing warm-up leader Emma Darling, our lovely volunteers, and Oak Services for transporting event equipment. A big shout-out to our friends at Hot Radio too for keeping the energy up all evening long.

If you missed Twilight Walk 2024, you can still make a huge difference for your local hospitals by getting involved in our charity's vital fundraising work.

You can host your own fundraising events, participate in upcoming events or simply give what you can online by visiting **uhdcharity.org** or speak to our team by emailing **UHD.Charity@uhd.nhs.uk**



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Health talks success

We're proud to have provided four health talks to the public so far this year, all available for you to watch online.

'Understanding Menopause' was hosted by Rosie Harper, clinical specialist physiotherapist in pelvic health at UHD, and Dr Emma Thurston, senior lecturer in physician associate studies at Bournemouth University and GP with a special interest in women's sexual and reproductive health.



Another talk, delivered by Professor Robert Middleton, consultant orthopaedic surgeon and head of the orthopaedic research institute at Bournemouth University, focused on **hips and how to avoid surgery**.



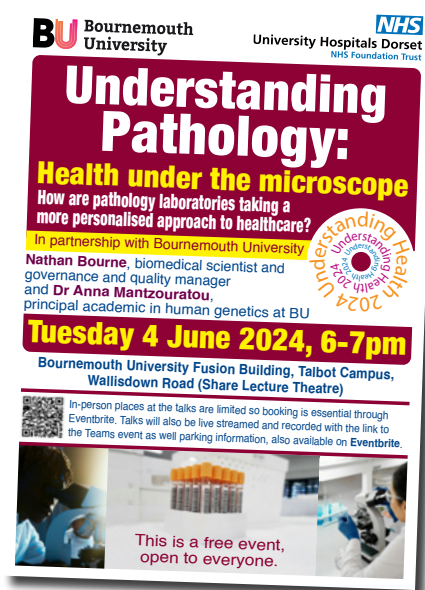
Understanding Concussion in Sport and Practice.

Dr Keith Parry, head of department of Sport and Event Management at BU, and Dr Osman Ahmed, senior physiotherapist at UHD discussed the impact their work is having on creating safe sports environments.



Finally, we delved deeper into the world of pathology, with **'Health under the Microscope'**, hosted by Nathan Bourne, biomedical scientist and governance and quality manager and Dr Anna Mantzouratou, principal academic in human genetics and program leader.

It took place on Tuesday 4 June at Bournemouth University Fusion Building, Talbot Campus, and explored how pathology laboratories are taking a more personalised approach to healthcare.



To catch up with all these talks, and for more information on upcoming events, head to the health talks library on our website www.uhd.nhs.uk/news/health-talk-library

In the spotlight

We posted a video of one of our lovely volunteers, Bill, working on the buggies at Royal Bournemouth and not only did it perform brilliantly across our social media, but the clip also received national attention!

Speaking in the NHS South West update, senior communications and engagement manager, Gwen Park, said:

“ And talking of lovely people content - spotting volunteer Bill out on his buggy today at University Hospitals Dorset really made me smile. It's a lovely, simple clip designed to thank their volunteers, but the interesting camera angle makes it something that stops you scrolling and want to watch. Just goes to show that its worth thinking outside the box and that engaging content can be something as simple as a thank you. (Also shout out to whoever was behind the camera for holding it steady!) ”



You can watch the heartwarming video via the link below, and as Gwen says, it was a great opportunity to thank Bill and all our many volunteers for the wonderful work they do across our hospitals. www.facebook.com/reel/359278396641804

Bereavement café opens

Forset Holme Hospice Charity recently launched a 'Bereavement Café' at Maravi in Poole, aimed at people who are dealing with the profound loss of a loved one, family member, or friend, while also in the midst of busy schedules and the demands with work and family.

Taking place at Maravi Café at Esprit, 236 High St North, Poole, the Bereavement Café takes place on both a Saturday morning and Wednesday afternoon once a month. It offers the opportunity for people to take a moment to pause and share or reflect with others informally over a cup of



coffee and cake who are experiencing similar emotions and challenges following the death of a loved one.

The café offers a warm and relaxed space to talk and share in confidence, and is facilitated by specialist volunteers, who are able to help signpost anyone looking for further support. It is free to attend and welcomes everyone, irrespective of their connection to Forest Holme.

For more information head to their website
<https://foresthalmehospice.org.uk/bereavement-cafe-maravi>



'New era' for patient care as Dorset Pathology Hub officially opens

A 'new era' in medical diagnostics and patient care in Dorset was celebrated as NHS staff and partners gathered recently to witness patient Steve Hiorns officially open the state-of-the-art Dorset Pathology Hub.

The new £24m facility is equipped with the latest specialist technology, ensuring high-quality, cost-effective diagnostics and care for patients across the region.

The Hub is already making a significant impact, particularly through the benefits of personalised medicine and the implementation of AI and deep learning in cancer diagnostics.

Dr. Katie Adie CBE DL, broadcaster and Chancellor of Bournemouth University, unveiled a commemorative plaque to mark the occasion.

Steve Hiorns, the patient whose blood was the first to be analysed at the hub, cut a ribbon to officially open the facility.

Mark Mould, UHD's chief operating officer and the project's senior responsible officer, expressed his gratitude during the celebration event:

"This is a special day as we celebrate a new era for our local NHS and the patients we serve."

"Delivering a project of this scale is a true team effort, and we are grateful for the support of our partners, many of whom were able to join us at the event."

"This project has not just been about buildings but building futures - the Hub improves diagnostics for patients, helping to meet the growing demand for specialist treatment, as well as providing development opportunities for staff."

The new facility is located on the Wessex Fields site next to the Royal Bournemouth Hospital and is part of the One Dorset Pathology network - a collaborative partnership between Dorset County Hospital and University Hospitals Dorset.

The project has been backed by the Dorset Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP), which supported the project with a £2.7m Local



Growth Fund investment in the histopathology diagnostic hub as part of its initiatives to support Covid-19 recovery and accelerate healthcare resilience in the county.

Cecila Buffon, chair of the Dorset LEP Board said:

"It is a proud moment for Dorset LEP to witness the impact our £2.7m investment into the histopathology diagnostic service is having on the health and communities right across Dorset."

"The state-of-the-art laboratory at RBH supports hospitals across the region, offering a fast, accurate, routine and specialist testing service."

"Having started my career in laboratory diagnostics, I am fully aware how such a service can make a significant difference to health outcomes for people in Dorset."

The Hub opened in November 2023, with the molecular pathology the first team to move in. It currently works to process over nine million tests per year, diagnose conditions in around 80% of all patients seen by the NHS and employs 200 staff - offering 24/7 365 days a year support.



Tech supports diabetes care

Approximately 4.7 million people in the UK live with diabetes. These people are at higher risk of foot care problems, if not treated properly this can lead to ulceration. Some of these may progress to amputation. Diabetes-related ulceration and amputation cost the NHS up to £1bn a year.

The NERVE project is a collaboration between UHD and BU that was awarded a large NIHR i4i Innovation grant.

The project team developed the NERVE app (NEuRopathy evaluation using the Vibration function of a mobile phone) and a probe to allow for regular testing either within a clinical setting or at home by either the patients or their carers.

The next stage of the project was to conduct the clinical trial to find out if the app and probe is as accurate and reliable as the current standard of care test for detecting loss of sensation in the feet.

Within the trial participants attended a single visit where a healthcare professional tested the NERVE device and the current standard of care device. Participants were also provided with the chance to test the NERVE device for themselves.

The recruitment target was 300 participants with diabetes, and the research team recruited 314 participants with diabetes across Royal Bournemouth and Poole hospitals.



Charlotte Humphrey is one of the research nurses who worked on the study. She said:

“NERVE was a great way to get out on the wards and meet patients. I really enjoyed being able to offer them the opportunity to be part of research in an easy and accessible way.”

Next steps...

The project team is now preparing the data for statistical analysis of the results to be published. Results will also inform further development of the NERVE device.



BU-UHD Partnership Conference 2024: Delivering Outstanding Care Together



Over 90 UHD and Bournemouth University staff attended the BU-UHD Partnership Conference: ‘Delivering Outstanding Care Together’ on Wednesday 8 May at Talbot Campus, Bournemouth University.

The event showcased collaborative research and QI underway as well as providing brilliant opportunities for networking. Thanks to all those who attended and presented, and made the day such a success.



We're podcasters now...

Our new UHD podcast, **'The People Pod'**, delves into the untold and inspiring stories of the people at the heart of our hospitals - **you**.

In each episode, we'll meet a variety of guests from across our hospitals as they share their story about their work or home life, challenges they have overcome or their moving experiences. From patients and visitors to staff and volunteers, join us as we discover and celebrate the people that bring #TeamUHD to life.

'Navigating Neurodiversity'

It is estimated that one in seven people has a neurodiverse condition. In our first episode we meet learning environment lead, Hannah Street, recruitment and retention midwife, Gemma Short and healthcare assistant, Rachael Relf as they tell us how neurodiversity has impacted their lives, share their diagnosis journeys and discuss everything from school experiences, to always being late and the changes they would like to see.



Use the QR code to listen or find the podcast on Spotify.



Would you like to get involved? Email communications@uhd.nhs.uk if you would like to be a part of a future episode of The People Pod!

Healthcare heroes

*"Introducing our **Hero of the Month**, the incredible **Homeless Care Team (HCT)** at **University Hospitals Dorset!**" They provide essential care to those experiencing homelessness, transforming lives with their dedicated support.*

This post was shared on the Homelessness Partnership for Bournemouth, Christchurch and Poole's X account in May; and we couldn't agree more with them. Well done to our awesome HCT colleagues; **really proud of you!**



Welcome from Michele Whitehurst, lead governor

Michele was appointed by the Council of Governors as lead governor for UHD on 4 April 2024.

Michele, who has been a public governor since 2020, takes over from Sharon Collett, who stepped down at the end of her two-year term. Sharon continues in her role as public governor in the Bournemouth Constituency.

Michele's own personal journey started with the NHS in 1991 in the roles of medical secretary, arehabilitation assistant and medical admin and staff coordinator. Along with her husband, she currently co-owns a small marine electronics business in Poole. Michele also undertakes voluntary work at UHD.

Amongst responsibilities, the lead governor acts as a spokesperson for the Council of Governors, represents governors at certain trust events/workshops, and will focus on a work programme of the council supported by the chair.



Michele said on her appointment;

“Our commitment is always to be the voice of patients, carers, staff and the community; representing views and concerns during trust meetings and discussions. We work closely with each other, hospital executives, and community partners in collaboration to achieve the goals of UHD.

On behalf of the Council of Governors, we look forward to keeping you updated with lots of exciting news arising for UHD in 2024 and the years ahead.”

Join us for our Annual Members' Meeting

University Hospitals Dorset's (UHD) Annual Members' Meeting (AMM) will be held at 11am on Thursday 12 September 2024.

The event, which will also be live streamed via Teams, will include presentations from chief executive, Siobhan Harrington, and chief finance officer, Pete Papworth, on the 2023/24 Annual Report and Accounts, and 2024/25 forward plan.

Michele Whitehurst, lead governor, will also give a presentation from the Council of Governors, including any amendments made to the trust's Constitution which relate to the powers or duties of the Council of Governors. The meeting will be held in St Saviour's Church, 32 Colemore Road, Bournemouth BH7 6RZ.

Information stands will be set up from 10.30am and light refreshments will also be provided. Booking is encouraged due to limited

capacity. Any information regarding allergies or accessibility requirements should be given when booking your place. Please email **FTMembers@uhd.nhs.uk** with names and contact details of who would like to attend or call **0300 019 8723**.

If you would like to submit a question at the AMM, please also send this to **FTMembers@uhd.nhs.uk** by Thursday 5 September 2024. Questions submitted in advance will be prioritised at the meeting.

Pasco's project; a united front to fight infections

From Africa to Dorset, see how Team UHD is working with international colleagues to tackle antimicrobial resistance...

In November 2023, Dr Pasco Hearn, consultant microbiologist and head of microbiology at UHD, obtained £65,000 for a project called The Commonwealth Partnerships for Antimicrobial Stewardship (CwPAMS2) - from a fund aimed at healthcare partnerships. Funding came from Tropical Health Education Trust (THET) and the Commonwealth Pharmacists' Association (CPA).

Pasco's project, lasting 21 months, covers three key topics; microbiology, antimicrobial stewardship, and infection prevention control activities.

In May 2024, the team that was assembled by Pasco travelled to Dorset, and spent two weeks working alongside him and UHD's microbiology, pharmacy and infection prevention and control teams

to gain a better understanding of how NHS processes compare to those in the Ugandan healthcare system.

Here are their reflections...

Pasco: *"I went out to Lira with Poole Africa Link, and after making some great connections I applied for funding for this project. The lead in Uganda is Dr Francis Kiweewa and he and I formed a team to address the issue of antimicrobial resistance."*

"The approach starts in the laboratory to bolster microbiology services, so that we can make sure we find resistant organisms when they're there. The next step is AMS, linking up pharmacy, the lab and the clinical teams, with the third prong being IPC."

"It's great to welcome Maria, a microbiology scientist who runs the micro lab in Lira; Dr Frednald, a doctor who chairs the IPC committee; and Harriet, a senior pharmacist in Lira. They are all spending time here shadowing their counterparts in the NHS to see how a completely different healthcare system manages the same problems."



Harriet Tino: *"The hospital's active involvement and role in patient care and management is great and something that has really stood out for me throughout my time here..."*

Dr Frednald: *"In our system we don't have someone assigned to IPC work the way you do. But I have seen that the connections between IPC and the other streams in the hospital is key for patient safety and care..."*

Maria Apaki: *"Since being here I'm learning a lot about what I can do in terms of treating patients. Patient safety is very key and there is proper screening of the prescription at every level. There are so many steps I've seen in the dispensing pharmacy that I want to implement slowly when I go back..."*

Pasco: *"I'm really happy that it all came together. Everyone has been very welcoming and these guys are putting in the time and effort in coming far away from home to a far and distant place. They have a different perspective with what they have seen from staff here at UHD; seeing how elements of our system will never really fit in their healthcare setting at the moment, but some of it definitely will be transferable. I think this partnership will go from strength to strength, and it's been of huge benefit to myself and our team..."*



Newly qualified nurses' recruitment day

On Saturday 11 May we hosted our twice-yearly newly qualified nurses' recruitment day at the Royal Bournemouth Hospital and the response was phenomenal! Over 100 candidates were invited along to the day and interviewed for a position at UHD.

A huge thank you to the teams for all their hard work and congratulations to the next cohort of nurses who will be joining #TeamUHD when they qualify.



Day of the Midwife, Nurses Day, ODP Day and HR Day

A month filled with staff appreciation days - a huge thank you to all our hardworking teams across UHD and the care they provide patients and services they provide.

We hope you all had fun celebrating.

Follow our UHD jobs social media accounts?

Keep up-to-date with vacancies, events and other good news staff stories on our dedicated UHD jobs social media accounts.

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Facebook:  @UHDNHSjobs

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BACK OUR BEACH

Help us fundraise and transform care for Dorset

The BEACH building will provide improved hospital care for our community.

With purpose-built facilities for Births, Emergency, Critical Care and Children's Health.

