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and help us make a difference  
to patients, staff and research at UCLH!

From left to right: Geoff Bellingan, medical director surgery and cancer, Sarah Burton, chief cancer nurse, HRH The Prince of Wales, Baroness Julia Neuberger, UCLH chair, David Probert, UCLH chief executive

## Grafton Way Building opens

In February the University College Hospital Grafton Way Building (GWB) was formally opened by HRH the Prince of Wales.

The building is home to one of the UK's two proton beam therapy centres, short-stay surgery and Europe's largest centre for the treatment of blood diseases.

Charitable funding was used to enhance the building, including stunning artwork, interactive installations, upgrades to waiting areas and sculptures in the rooftop garden.

We would like to thank the Howard de Walden Estate for their donation to support staff via a COVID recovery grant. This generous £50,000 gift enabled the installation of a bespoke rainbow mural to commemorate the 1,000 UCLH staff who worked on the COVID critical care unit in the last two years. This grant also funded an amazing interactive

projection image display for the surgical team's staff room to support the wellbeing of staff who work below-ground in the absence of natural light.

Service manager Catherine Riley said "We would like to thank the Howard de Walden Estate for their generosity. This donation has enabled us to install an amazing system in the GWB that projects uplifting images, helping to bring the outside indoors. This has truly made a difference to the environment, creating a calm atmosphere and boosting the happiness and wellbeing of our staff."

We are continuing to raise funds for the building and to

support the pioneering bench-to-beside research taking place within it.

For more information contact Carol Haraldsson, head of charitable giving, at [carol.haraldsson@nhs.net](mailto:carol.haraldsson@nhs.net).

This page: The visual, interactive display in the Grafton Way Building (GWB).

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- Catherine Riley, service manager

From left to right: Catherine Riley, service manager, Dr Damon Kamming, consultant anaesthetist, Maree Bodycomb, senior nurse

# THANK YOU FOR HELPING US BRING THE COLOUR!

We're really pleased to announce that work can begin on refurbishing the children's emergency department at University College Hospital after our 'Bring the Colour' fundraising campaign surpassed its £174,000 target.

Thanks to the generosity of our supporters, the department will be refreshed and updated with age appropriate furniture, lighting and play equipment to create a warm and welcoming space. This aims to help young patients feel more at ease and alleviate their anxiety and worry when visiting the department.

Thank you very much to UCLH Charity, The Geoff and Fiona Squire Foundation, Friends of UCH, Regent's Place, the Fitzrovia Partnership and to many grateful parents of young patients. Your generosity has made this refurbishment possible and we couldn't be more thankful for your help in achieving our vision of making a young person's hospital experience that bit better.

## And now it's the radiotherapy department's turn to get a makeover!

Our Cancer Fund recently launched Bring the Colour to Radiotherapy, a campaign to improve the below-ground radiotherapy department at University College Hospital.

The UCLH radiotherapy team provide exceptional care, using the latest technology and equipment, however the environment in the radiotherapy unit desperately needs improving.

Research suggests that better hospital environments can improve patient

experience by alleviating stress and anxiety, which leads to better outcomes.

The new campaign is raising funds to give the department a much needed makeover, which will include:

- new furniture
- interactive artwork that brings a sense of natural light to the area
- ambient lighting in the CT scanner room, offering calming relaxation which will help to distract patients during complex procedures and preparation
- a re-fit of the children's play and waiting areas

The above and more are all part of the plans to make the department feel less clinical and more welcoming.

To make a donation, visit [www.uclhcancerfund.org.uk/donate-online](http://www.uclhcancerfund.org.uk/donate-online)



Emily Westbrook,  
charge nurse



Artist's impression of  
how the children's  
waiting room will look



A corridor in the  
radiotherapy  
department currently

**BRING THE  
COLOUR**  
TO RADIOTHERAPY

This page: Julius Dela Paz,  
charge nurse

# Together, we can DO MORE!

The iconic London Landmarks Half Marathon returned to the streets of London in 2022 – and so did we! We were thrilled to support a team of seven runners which included UCLH chief executive David Probert.

On Sunday 3 April, UCLH chief executive David Probert and staff members Julius Dela Paz, Orna Doris and Giulia Impelluso took part in the iconic London Landmarks Half Marathon (LLHM).

Although snow was predicted, the weather instead took on a sunny spell and the runners completed the 13.1 mile

atmosphere. For UCLH Charity to have such an uplifting and vibrant cheer point was the icing on the cake!”

“We are in awe of the efforts of all our runners whose commitment to their training and fundraising has been inspiring. We would also like to thank our amazing volunteers who just made the day so memorable, we hope to see you next year!”

Chief executive David Probert, who took

“The support from UCLH Charity has been flawless. From my selection up until the run, I always felt that they were there behind me.”

- Julius Dela Paz, charge nurse

run taking in London’s most iconic sights including the Tower of London, St Paul’s Cathedral and Big Ben. The runners were given loud and colourful support at mile nine and ten from the UCLH Charity cheerpoint.

Head of fundraising Rosannah Dawood said, “Seeing LLHM return to the streets of London after the last two years was wonderful and this was reflected in the


part in the run, said: “A huge thank you to the sponsors and supporters who helped get me round the LLHM. It was so uplifting to see fellow UCLH runners Orna, Julius, Giulia and the incredible fundraising team.”


In total, £10,723.25 was raised for UCLH Charity at the LLHM. Thank you to everyone who supported our amazing runners!


## FEELING INSPIRED?


If you’d like to take part in a challenge and raise money for UCLH Charity, we would love to hear from you. From 5km fun runs to full-on marathons, we’ve got an event for you, whatever your fitness level and ability.

To find out more visit our website at [www.uclhcharity.org.uk/events](http://www.uclhcharity.org.uk/events), contact us on 020 3447 7737 or email [louise.davey@nhs.net](mailto:louise.davey@nhs.net). Upcoming events include:

 ASICS London 10K  
10 July 2022

 ISEH 5K/10 Run  
18 September 2022

 London Marathon  
2 October 2022

 Royal Parks Half Marathon  
9 October 2022



Our volunteer cheer squad



David Probert, UCLH chief executive

# RHIANNA'S STORY

“On 3 April 2022, I ran in the London Landmarks Half Marathon in aid of University College London Hospitals (UCLH).

Unfortunately, within the last 18 months my family has been affected by each of the main blood cancers; I've lost my auntie to Lymphoma, my nan to Multiple Myeloma and my grandad suffered with Leukaemia before sadly passing away with COVID. My auntie was treated by UCLH and as a family have experienced first hand the amazing care UCLH provides. When I saw that I could run to support UCLH, it felt like the perfect fit for my fundraising efforts.

Running does not come naturally to me, but doing this event in honour of my family is one of the biggest privileges I will have. Running for UCLH Charity gave me the incentive to finish the race, remembering those I have lost and those I can help moving forward.

Overall, it was such an amazing experience and if you are thinking about doing a half marathon, do! Never did I think I would be able to run as much as I did, but the whole atmosphere of the day gets you to the finish line! The support from the charity in the lead up to the event was amazing, but the cheer station on the day was the highlight of my run, and it helped me through the wall I was about to hit at that point in the race!

## RUNNING NOT YOUR THING?

Don't worry, there are many other ways you can challenge yourself and fundraise for us. Here are just a few ideas to get you started:

- Join a walking club or pedometer challenge with your colleagues, friends and family
- Power up and cool off by swimming a certain distance each day
- Host a dance-a-thon and bop along to your favourite tunes for a specific amount of time
- Cycle or spin to your heart's content, either in the open outdoors or at your local gym



Top: Richard Murley, chair of Macmillan Trustees, Lois Roberts, divisional manager cancer services, Lynda Thomas, CEO of Macmillan Cancer Support, Sarah Burton, chief cancer nurse

Below: Staff at the UCLH Cancer Conference Event



Happy birthday Cancer Centre!

The University College Hospital Macmillan Cancer Centre celebrated its 10th birthday in April.

UCLH Charity funded the NHS' first PET MR scanner for the Centre when it opened in 2012. The UCLH Charity Cancer Fund ([www.uclhcancerfund.org.uk](http://www.uclhcancerfund.org.uk)) and Haematology Cancer Care ([www.uclhcharity.org.uk/donate/hcc](http://www.uclhcharity.org.uk/donate/hcc)) continue to support patients, staff and research in cancer services at UCLH.

Happy birthday, here's to another 10 transformative years!



Sarah is deputy divisional manager for medical specialties and has worked at UCLH for 16 years. In 2021 she became a UCLH Charity ambassador.

Our ambassadors work within UCLH to promote all things UCLH Charity - from spreading the word to colleagues about the impact we make, to taking part in fundraising challenges or being part of our cheer squads at events.

### Why did you become a Charity ambassador?

The UCLH charity is a really important enabler for staff and patients, helping to provide the above and beyond for patients and to reward our staff.

### What have you done in your role as a Charity ambassador?

I have attended a global day of joy to secure funds for a therapy-led initiative on our medicine for the elderly ward. I also brought together a team last Christmas to run (well I walked) the Santa in the City run to raise funds.

### What difference do you think UCLH Charity funding makes to the area you work in?

It makes such a difference, helping pump prime posts that might struggle to be funded by the traditional route but that add really quality to a patient's pathway, and the work with staff wellbeing helping us reward teams and make people feel valued.

### What would you say to others thinking about getting involved?

Give it a go! Help spread the word and get people giving whilst actually having fun!

We're looking for more UCLH staff to become ambassadors - contact louise.davey@nhs.net for more information.



## Corporate connections

Would your company be interested in supporting us?

We have corporate partnerships with a range of businesses, big and small, that choose us as their charity of choice.

If you'd like to discuss how you can connect with us, get in touch with our corporate partnerships manager, Molly Marks at [molly.marks@nhs.net](mailto:molly.marks@nhs.net)

## Thank you, Birchbox!

UCLH staff were thrilled to receive a box of wellbeing goodies from subscription service Birchbox this January.

Over 6,000 boxes were donated, providing a morale boost to staff as they started the new year. Thank you Birchbox!



# Support us

There are lots of different ways you can support UCLH Charity and make a lasting difference to patients, staff and research at UCLH.



## Tap to donate when visiting UCLH

You're never too far away from one of our tap to donate terminals. Simply swipe your contactless card to make a payment.



## Remember UCLH Charity in your will

After you have provided for your loved ones, remembering UCLH in your will is a wonderful way to make a lasting legacy and it's easy to do. Contact Carol Haraldsson, head of charitable giving, for more information at carol.haraldsson@nhs.net or 07852 221000.



## Take part in a challenge

We have something for you whatever your fitness level and ability. Go to [www.uclhcharity.org.uk/events](http://www.uclhcharity.org.uk/events) for updates.



## Go offline

We accept cheques, but no cash, sorry. Send your payments to us at the address shown on the donation form below.



## Join our growing online community

Follow us on Twitter @uclhcharity and Facebook @TheUCLHCharity for real time news and updates.



## Do it yourself fundraising

From tea parties to quiz nights, we have loads of ideas to inspire you to organise your own fundraising event. Download our fundraising pack on our website and get in touch with our fundraising team who are on hand to help you.



## Opt in

Use the form below to opt in or email us at [uclh.fundraising@nhs.net](mailto:uclh.fundraising@nhs.net)



## Go online

Visit [www.uclhcharity.org.uk/donation](http://www.uclhcharity.org.uk/donation) to make a safe, secure, payment online.

PLEASE CUT HERE AND RETURN IN ENVELOPE TO ADDRESS SHOWN

# You can donate to us in different ways

Send your donation via cheque made payable to UCLH Charity. Alternatively, to make your donation online, visit [www.uclhcharity.org.uk/donation](http://www.uclhcharity.org.uk/donation)

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☐ Cheque ☐ Card

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Security code: (last 3 digits on the back of your card)

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Your data is securely held on a database at UCLH and will be treated confidentially with respect for the benefit of UCLH Charity and its constituent parts. We will use this information to keep you informed of our activities. We will not sell, distribute or lease your personal information to third parties unless we have your permission or are required by law to do so. If you would like any more information or would rather not hear from us please contact us at [uclh.enquiry.charity@nhs.net](mailto:uclh.enquiry.charity@nhs.net)

Please keep me updated about UCLH Charity news and events via:

☐ Email ☐ Post ☐ Telephone ☐ Text

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## Gift Aid Declaration - making your gift go further

I am a UK tax payer and would like UCLH Charity to treat all donations I make or have made for the past four years as Gift Aid donations until I notify you otherwise.

I am a UK taxpayer and understand that if I pay less Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax in the current tax year than the amount of Gift Aid claimed on all my donations it is my responsibility to pay any difference. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council tax do not qualify and that the UCLH Charity will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give.

Signature

Date

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