

## Freedom of Information Request

**Provide a breakdown of how the money given to the Trust through the fundraising efforts of Sir Captain Tom Moore was allocated and used?**

### ***Response:***

The NHSCT received 2 grant awards in May totalling £112,500 under Stage 1 of the NHS Charities Together Covid-19 Urgent Appeal Grant Scheme. The NHSCT has also been recently successful in its bid for further Stage 1 funding of £50,000.

The terms of the grant advise that funding should be spent on enhancing the well-being of NHS Staff, volunteers and patients impacted by COVID-19 as follows:

- Funding well-being packs/gifts for staff and volunteers on wards/departments
  - (this could include food/meal deliveries and refreshments, wash kits, overnight stay kits, furniture for rest rooms, etc.).
- Supporting patients mental health through isolation with electronic communication devices so they can talk to family and friends.
- Other items as identified by members and their NHS bodies that enhance the well-being of NHS staff, volunteers and patients impacted by COVID-19.
- This list is not exhaustive.

To date the NHSCT has spent or has plans in place to utilise these specific grants on:

- Essential accommodation for staff who for specific reasons cannot return to their home while working during the COVID-19 response;
- Funding for a Clinical Psychologist post to support the management of staff mental health and minimise the impact of psychosocial distress experienced by staff as a result of COVID-19;
- Clips for ear loop face masks to provide comfort for staff who have to wear a mask regularly; and
- Additional equipment to support social distancing for vulnerable patients.

Further funds of £209.4k have been earmarked for the Trust geographical area from the NHS Charities Together Urgent Appeal (Stage 2) to support partnerships which

support communities affected by COVID-19. These partnerships could help NHS organisations by:

- a) Preventing admission to NHS facilities, for example by early intervention programmes
- b) Facilitating discharge from NHS facilities, for example with end of life care or community health projects
- c) Supporting patients to recover more quickly in the community after leaving hospital
- d) Supporting initiatives that seek to remove health inequalities and disparity in health outcomes with a focus on diversity in the population

This 2<sup>nd</sup> stage opened on 01/09/20 and runs to 31/03/21 and planning has commenced.

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