



Press Release  
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## Join the RUH Light and Love Remembrance Event

This year the Royal United Hospitals Bath will be live streaming its annual Light and Love remembrance event.

The virtual ceremony will take place on Thursday 3 December at 3pm to allow people to celebrate the lives of loved ones who they have lost, whether they were cared for at the RUH or elsewhere. They will also have the opportunity to request to have the names of those they wish to remember read out during the ceremony, as well as have a heart displayed on the tree which will be in the hospital's Spiritual Care Centre.

Philip Turner, Deputy Team Chaplain at the RUH said: "The loss we feel is personal, but by coming together with others who are also wrestling with their grief, we can feel less alone.

"While lockdown prevents us from being in the same place, together we can create a similar space in our hearts. Wherever you are, you are invited to join together with others for our 'Love and Light' live event.'

This year, you can make an online donation with your dedicated name to support our RUH patients and staff.

To sign up to the virtual event simply go to [www.foreverfriendsappeal.co.uk/event/light-and-love-virtual-event](http://www.foreverfriendsappeal.co.uk/event/light-and-love-virtual-event).

Please send your dedication request in by Monday 30 November.

For more information, please contact The Forever Friends Appeal's Legacy Manager Jan Witt on 01225 825819 or email [jan.witt@nhs.net](mailto:jan.witt@nhs.net).

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Notes to Editor:

- The Forever Friends Appeal is the charity for the Royal United Hospitals, Bath.
- Like many organisations The Forever Friends Appeal has postponed and moved some of its events online because of the timing of the coronavirus pandemic, social distancing and the strict restrictions on mass gatherings.

- The Forever Friends Appeal fundraises to support areas in the RUH where it is needed most. The charity is currently running a Speech and Language Therapy Appeal, Breast Unit Appeal and the Cancer Care Campaign for the planned Dyson Cancer Centre

#### About the Royal United Hospitals Bath

- The Royal United Hospitals Bath NHS Foundation Trust provides acute treatment and care for a catchment population of around 500,000 people in Bath, and the surrounding towns and villages in North East Somerset and Western Wiltshire. The hospital provides healthcare to the population served by four Clinical Commissioning Groups: Bath & North East Somerset CCG, Wiltshire CCG, Somerset CCG and South Gloucestershire CCG.
- The Trust provides 759 beds and a comprehensive range of acute services including medicine and surgery, services for women and children, accident and emergency services, and diagnostic and clinical support services.
- For more information about RUH Bath visit [www.ruh.nhs.uk](http://www.ruh.nhs.uk)