

## Dementia Care Appeal

Reg. Charity 1051327

# Help us to improve the experience of our patients living with dementia

Your donations will fund specialist equipment and new activities to create more supportive care environments.



## Dementia-friendly calendar clocks

We need to purchase more dementia-friendly calendar clocks so that each bay of the Trust's 18 wards has one.

The calendar clocks can reduce confusion and support patients living with dementia to conveniently access the day, date and time.

The large face clock is easily visible from the bedside.

## Hand-picked activity packs

Complete activity packs include games, reminiscence cards and jigsaw puzzles, which will entertain, boost confidence, independence and support changing abilities.

These products will be a resource shared across wards - they can be wiped clean and are designed for multiple use with Infection Prevention and Control providing guidance on all cleaning of activity packs.



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## Hand-picked activity packs *(continued)*

Some wards already have patient support workers and patients who require a high level of support are supported by an additional member of staff, where appropriate. Part of this support would be the provision of meaningful activities and distraction techniques, where indicated using activity packs.

We plan to roll out a programme of training to support staff in the delivery of person-centred care and meaningful activities. This will help staff to provide individualised care when being responsive to a patient's needs and choosing an appropriate supportive activity or intervention.

## Reminiscence Interactive Therapy and Activities (RITA) devices

RITA is a new touch screen technology which enables staff and volunteers to engage patients in entertainment activities including listening to music or poetry, watching films or historic cultural moments and interactive games.

Using this technology helps to unlock memories, trigger conversation, improve stimulation, diminish agitation, frustration and isolation, reduce boredom and makes patients feel valued, calmer and more at ease during their hospital stay.

The benefits are numerous and in turn this helps to improve patient experience, health and wellbeing. We have selected the large 24-inch touch screen.



£2,883  
each

TO UPGRADE  
EXISTING DEVICES

£6,152  
each

TO PURCHASE  
NEW SYSTEMS