Ashford and St. Peter's Hospitals
NHS Foundation Trust

ASPH Update

18 March 2024

Welcome to the latest update about Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust

These regular bulletins have been designed to update on what's been happening across the Trust. In this edition you can read about our exciting plans for a dedicated surgical centre of excellence at Ashford Hospital and the launch of MyCare, a secure online platform that enables patients to view their hospital appointments and other information from their hospital record.

We're also delighted to recognise one of our student midwifes who has been nominated in the annual Student Midwife Awards and we share some fantastic news from our Anaesthetic department which has been accredited by the Royal College of Anaesthetists under the prestigious Anaesthesia Clinical Services Accreditation (ACSA) scheme.

Developing a surgical centre of excellence at Ashford Hospital



A major project to increase surgical capacity at Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals (ASPH) is underway to create a new dedicated elective centre at Ashford Hospital, Surrey.

The elective centre at Ashford will see the development of two new ophthalmology theatres and two new main Laminar flow theatres and will provide increased capacity for elective orthopaedic procedures, including hip and knee replacement surgery and ophthalmology eye surgery. It will also help to significantly reduce patient waiting times and will provide the Trust with a standalone and Covid-secure elective surgical facility.

The elective centre will also create greater opportunity for colleagues, with more specialist training, experience and opportunities for innovation and will help to provide an improved working environment, with upgraded facilities to support the best possible care and experience for patients and staff.

Construction work has now commenced on site at Ashford Hospital and things might look a bit different if you are visiting over the coming weeks. Please follow the signage and directions to access the hospital as these are likely to change as works continue. To keep up to date with the latest news around this exciting development, please see here.



MyCare

Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals NHS Foundation Trust and Royal Surrey NHS Foundation Trust jointly launched a new secure patient information portal called MyCare in February. This is linked to our joint electronic patient record system. MyCare is a secure online platform that enables users to view their hospital appointments and other information from their hospital record, in a similar way to the NHS App and many of the online services offered by GP surgeries. Functionality will be increased over time with the first development being the integration with the NHS App in mid-March.

We are really pleased with the uptake so far, nearly 26,000 people have registered across the two Trusts, with nearly 16,500 people registered for Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals at the end of last week.

Find out more about by visiting our website www.ashfordstpeters.nhs.uk/mycare.

Neonatal and Paediatric Teams Shortlisted at this Year's PAFTAs



The Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) and Paediatric teams at Ashford and St Peter's Hospitals were delighted to be shortlisted for three awards in this year's Kent, Surrey and Sussex (KSS) Paediatric Awards for Training Achievements (PAFTAs).

The NICU was shortlisted for the Best Training Unit in Kent, Surrey and Sussex Deanery award and Consultant Neonatologists Dr Sherif Dabbour and Dr Vennila Ponnusamy were also shortlisted for the Best Educational Supervisors Award.

Dr Ellie Day, Consultant Paediatrician, (College Tutor and HEKSS Training Programme Director for Paediatrics) was awarded the PAFTA for Best Educational Supervisor for KSS School of Paediatrics. Dr Day's name has now been put forward for the National PAFTAS overseen by the College. Read more here.

Feedback from our patients

"I can't remember names, but the midwife in the maternity ward prior to delivery was lovely and she came up to see us at the end of her shift to congratulate us on our baby and wish us well.

"The midwife who delivered our baby on the labour ward was wonderful too, and the swiftness that all the other midwives appeared at the end of the birth to assist showed great care and preparation."

More News from ASPH

- NHS Pastoral Care Quality Award
- Maternity Star Awards 2023
- Chertsey Museum Bringing to Life the Story of St Peter's Hospital

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ASPH Charity Update

Our year in numbers...

We have raised
66%
of our annual target

Data up to 21 January 2024

24+
community fundraisers



341+
volunteers in 14 areas of our hospitals



5
legacies left to the ASPH Charity

70+
companies and private individuals donated over 2000+ gift bags, toys, furniture, cakes, knitted items, clothing, toiletries

15+
new medical devices and equipment donated

10+
pieces of artwork installed

10
gardens / green spaces created and redesigned



37+
music performances

5
room refurbishments

We would like to say thank you to everyone who has donated, fundraised, volunteered, or helped raise our profile. Our work is made possible because of you. Please read our newsletter ashfordstpeters.net/fundraising/FundraisingFeb2024.pdf

Our year in social media...

523
fans and followers

450+
posts shared

13,300+
visits to our website

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